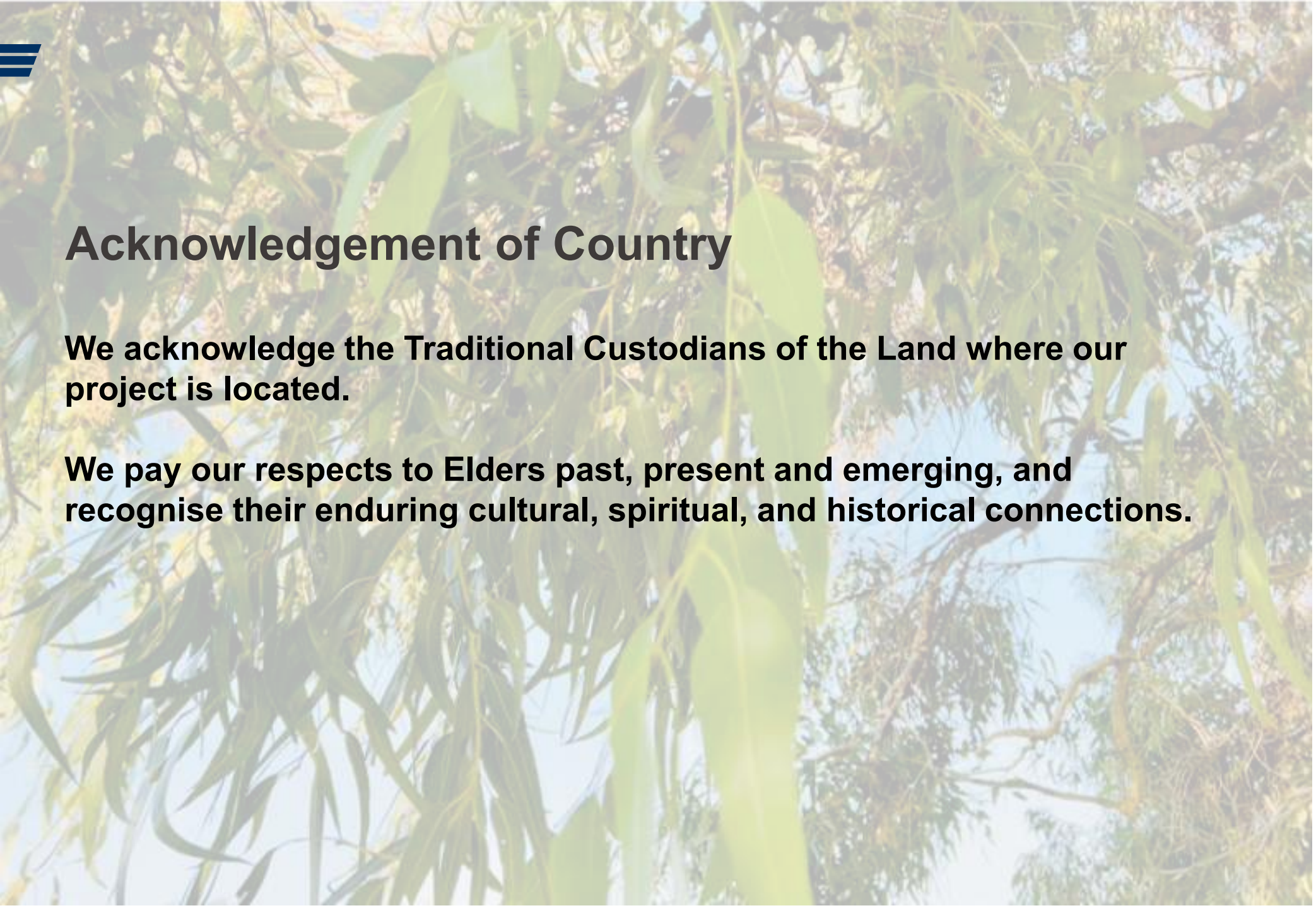


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#26 CCC Project Update

November 2026



Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the Land where our project is located.

We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging, and recognise their enduring cultural, spiritual, and historical connections.

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Agenda:

- Introduction and apologies (Goldwind attendees – Alex Kuo, Head of Engagement and David Keohane, Senior Environmental Planner)
- Declaration of interest
- Confirmation of #25 CCC minutes
- Correspondence to CCC
- Responses to #25 CCC questions
- Community Update
- Project Update
- General business – without notice

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Responses to #25 CCC questions

- **Who is paying for 99M transmission line upgrade?**
  - The project will be paying for the upgrade under commercial arrangements with Transgrid.
- **Will the 99M upgrade be within the existing easement?**
  - Yes
- **Can we invite Transgrid representatives?**
  - At this stage there is no need to invite Transgrid until construction timeframes are confirmed.
- **Do noise assessments for the project account for east and west winds?**
  - Yes. The project's approved noise assessments has considered noise propagation under all wind directions, including easterly and westerly winds.
- **What is the impact of BESS on residents' insurance?**
  - There is no impact on residential insurance premiums because of renewable energy projects.
  - The Insurance Council of Australia in 2024 advised: "insurers generally do not have specific concerns related to a property hosting transmission lines or neighbouring energy infrastructure…the Insurance Council is not aware of any instances where Insurance Council members have been unable to provide insurance or have increased premiums as a result of a farm (or a neighbouring property) hosting energy infrastructure."

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Responses to #25 CCC questions

- **Who gets sued in the event of a fire caused by BESS?**
  - That is a decision for the relevant authorities and civil courts.
- **What is the contingency for the project to deal with being sued for disruption to businesses caused by construction and operations of the wind farm?**
  - The project will have sufficient contingency to meet legal costs, if required.
  - The project has commercial arrangements and existing relationships with host landholders.
  - As per planning approval consents and conditions, the project is subject to strict safety, environmental and construction management plans to mitigate or reduce its construction and operational impacts on the local community.
  - Notifications will be provided to the local community in advance of works.
  - The project is committed to working our local community to mitigate impacts during works and operations.

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Community Update

- The project team was pleased to see the opening of the new Bookham Playground.
- Coppabella WF made a financial contribution, together with a number of other Yass Valley renewable energy developers.

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New Bookham Playground Officially Open!

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Community celebrates launch of the new Bookham Playground!



The sky was grey and the rain was falling, but even the adverse weather conditions did not put a dampener on the festivities in Bookham this weekend. The community was out in full force to celebrate the official opening of the new Bookham playground, enjoy a sizzling snag and have a play on the new equipment – strictly children only!

The Bookham Playground built on Yass Valley Council land with substantial funding from Squadron Energy, together with grants from Bango Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund and Coppabella Windfarm Community Fund awarded to the Bookham Community Association.

Through the combined efforts of the major funders, Yass Valley Council's Recreational Projects Team, the Bookham Community Association and Ruralmain, a local contractor, the playground was completed on time and within budget.



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Project Update

- **Modification 2 approved by NSW DPHI (3 July 2026):** adds battery storage at up to 53 of the approved turbine sites, within the existing approved footprint. The approved maximum is 267 MW / 1,063 MWh, and the turbine layout is unchanged (up to 75 turbines, 171m maximum height).
- **Grid connection:** AEMO and Transgrid have accepted the Generator Performance Standards (clause 5.3.10, National Electricity Rules) for the integrated wind and battery configuration.
- **National Renewable Energy Priority List:** Coppabella was included on the Australian Government's National Renewable Energy Priority List, recognising its role in the energy transition.
- **Next steps:** the team is finalising commercial arrangements so construction can start at the earliest opportunity. CCC will be updated once timing is confirmed.

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COPPABELLA Wind Farm Project Update

Major Project Milestones Achieved

The Coppabella Wind Farm project has recently achieved several significant milestones, marking important progress towards project delivery.

In July, the NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure approved Modification 2 to the project's existing development consent. The approval allows for the integration of battery energy storage alongside the wind farm. This allows the project to continue evolving with advances in renewable energy technology. The approved modification includes up to 53 battery units installed next to selected turbines within the wind farm's approved development footprint.

The project has also achieved an important grid connection milestone, with the Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO) and Transgrid accepting updated Generator Performance Standards for the project's integrated wind and battery configuration. These standards establish the technical requirements needed for the project to connect and operate within the National Electricity Market and provide greater certainty as the project progresses through its next stages of development.



Supporting Local Communities

The Coppabella Wind Farm team remains committed to supporting local communities and organisations throughout the region.

Over the past year, the project has continued to support a range of local initiatives through its community benefit and sponsorship activities. This has included events such as the Harden Kite Festival and the Yass Irish and Celtic Festival, as well as contributions to local sporting and community organisations, including the Binalong Brahmans and Binalong NSW Swimming Club.



The project is also proud to support the Bookham Community Association, which delivers projects and initiatives that benefit the local community. Project funding is helping the Association continue important activities that contribute to maintaining and improving community facilities and public spaces within Bookham.

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New Bookham Playground Officially Opens

The Bookham community gathered on 5 September 2026 to celebrate the official opening of the new Bookham Playground, creating a valuable new recreational space for local children, families, residents and visitors. The project provides a welcoming place for play, connection and community activity in the heart of the village. Despite wet and wintry conditions, community members turned out in force to mark the occasion and enjoy the new facility.

Supported by funding through the Bookham Community Association, from a number of renewable energy projects, including the Coppabella Wind Farm, the playground reflects the positive outcomes that can be achieved when community groups and local partners work together to deliver projects that respond to local needs. The new facility contributes to Bookham's long-term vision of a healthy and vibrant village and provides an attractive community asset for both residents and visitors passing through the region.

We are grateful to the Bookham Community Association for the opportunity to support such a great local community initiative. We are proud to have contributed towards a project that will provide lasting benefits for the Bookham community for many years to come.



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