

# Western Renewables Link EES Information Guide

## Key Dates

### Public submissions open from Monday 30 June to Friday 22 August 2025

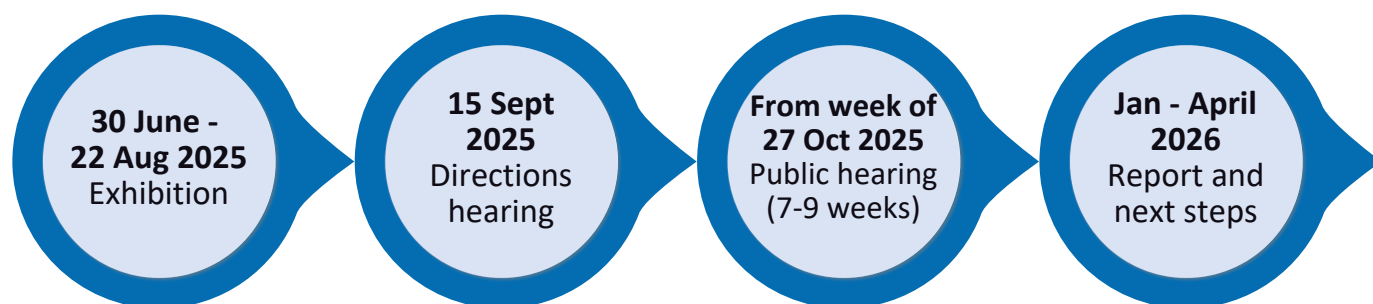
The EES will be exhibited for public comment for 40 business days, along with the draft Planning Scheme Amendment (draft PSA) for the project. Members of the public can make a submission during this time.

The full EES and draft PSA documents can be accessed online and in person:

- Western Renewables Link [website](#).
- Public exhibition locations.
- Contact AusNet to be mailed a free summary report and USB stick of all digital files.

The Minister for Planning will appoint an independent inquiry and advisory committee to review public submissions and hold a public hearing from sometime during the week beginning 27 October 2025, for a period of approximately 7-9 weeks, depending on the number of submitters. It is intended that the hearing would be paused until mid-January 2026 if not all submitters can be heard prior to Christmas.

After the hearing, the committee will deliver a report to the Minister between January and April 2026 with conclusions and recommendations to inform the Minister's Assessment.



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## Public Exhibition Locations

As a statutory requirement, the EES documents and draft PSA can be viewed in hard copy during the exhibition period at the following locations within Moorabool Shire. The full list of public exhibition locations can be accessed via the Western Renewables Link website.

At these venues, community members can also collect a free printed copy of the summary report and a USB stick with digital copies of all EES and draft PSA documents during the exhibition period.

### Lerderderg Library

**215 Main Street, Bacchus Marsh 3340**

- Monday, Thursday: 8.30am-8pm
- Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 8.30am-5pm
- Saturday: 9am-2pm

### Ballan Council Office

**15 Stead Street, Ballan 3342**

- Monday to Friday: 8.30am-5pm

## Western Victoria Community Alliance EES Community Sessions

The Western Victoria Community Alliance are holding community drop-in sessions with the support of Moorabool Shire Council. Residents can come and speak to community volunteers about how to structure their submissions and how to submit.

**JUL  
24**

Thursday 24 July, 4pm-8pm  
**Lerderderg Library, 215 Main Street, Bacchus Marsh 3340**

**JUL  
31**

Thursday 31 July, 4pm-7.30pm  
**Myrniong Hall, 6 Short Street, Myrniong 3341**

**AUG  
02**

Saturday 2 August, 10am-1.30pm  
**Ballan Council Chambers, 15 Stead Street, Ballan 3342**

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## Upcoming Community Sessions

### AusNet EES Community Sessions

**Pop-ups:** Speak to AusNet's project team about the EES process and how to make a submission.

JUL  
07

Monday 7 July, 10am-5pm

Village Shopping Centre Bacchus Marsh, 160-194 Main Street, Bacchus Marsh 3340

**Information Sessions:** Speak to AusNet's technical specialists and project team about the EES documents and submission process.

JUL  
16

Monday 16 July, 4pm-8pm

Ballan Scouts Hall, 60 Inglis Street, Ballan 3342

AUG  
01

Friday 1 August, 4pm-8pm

Darley Park Community and Sports Centre, Fitzroy and Grey Streets, Darley 3340

#### Planning Panels Victoria

[engage.vic.gov.au/Western-Renewables-Link-IAC](https://engage.vic.gov.au/Western-Renewables-Link-IAC)

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[Planning.Panels@transport.vic.gov.au](mailto:Planning.Panels@transport.vic.gov.au)

Detailed information on how to make a submission and the EES process.

Help with lodging submissions or request a hard copy submission.

Terms of Reference of the independent advisory committee.

#### Moorabool Shire Council

[moorabool.vic.gov.au/transmissionlines](https://moorabool.vic.gov.au/transmissionlines)

(03) 5366 7100

[info@moorabool.vic.gov.au](mailto:info@moorabool.vic.gov.au)

Webinars with experts on a range of WRL related topics, including 'How to prepare an EES submission'.

Details of upcoming EES community sessions in Moorabool Shire.

Timeline of Council's advocacy in relation to the project.

#### AusNet Services

[westernrenewableslink.com.au](https://westernrenewableslink.com.au)

1800 975 975

[info@westernrenewableslink.com.au](mailto:info@westernrenewableslink.com.au)

Access all EES and draft PSA digital files via website.

Request a free summary report and USB stick with all EES and draft PSA digital files.

Technical questions about WRL, the EES and draft PSA.

Full list of public exhibition locations and AusNet's upcoming community sessions.