



Middle Creek

Energy Hub

Welcome to the Middle Creek Energy Hub Newsletter

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An update from the Development Manager

Since our last newsletter, it's been great to continue spending time across the Western Downs region, meeting with community members, landholders, local businesses and organisations as planning for the Middle Creek Energy Hub continues.

While our team has been progressing environmental, technical and planning studies behind the scenes, we've also been focused on listening to the community. In recent months we've finalised the project's Social Impact Assessment, bringing together the valuable feedback we've received throughout the project's development. The findings will help inform both ongoing project planning and the development of a Community Benefit Agreement for the project.

It's also been fantastic to connect with many people through local events and initiatives. From the Wandoan Show and Under 8's Day at the Wandoan State School, to our continued partnerships with LifeFlight and the Clontarf Foundation, these events provide a great opportunity to support local communities while sharing updates on the project.

In this edition you'll find more information about what we've heard through community engagement, highlights from recent community activities and an update on our ongoing partnership with LifeFlight's First Minutes Matter program.

Thank you to everyone who continues to take the time to speak with us, ask questions and share feedback. Your input helps shape the way we plan the project and engage with the community. As always, if you would like to get in touch, please contact the team on **1800 282 246** or email marmadua@cubicoinvest.com.

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Development Manager, Middle Creek Energy Hub

The project at a glance



Up to 181 wind turbines



**Generating up to 1.303GW
of clean energy**



**Battery Energy Storage
System (BESS) up to 800MWh**



**300 jobs during construction
20 ongoing roles**



**Pre-development fund
supporting local community
groups since 2023**



**Construction to start 2027
Operations from 2030**



Project update



Environmental, technical and planning studies for the Middle Creek Energy Hub continue to progress as Cubico works through the development process.

A key focus in recent months has been finalising the project's Social Impact Assessment (SIA). Bringing together feedback gathered throughout the project's development, the SIA provides valuable insight into local priorities including workforce accommodation, housing, local business participation, training opportunities, road safety, community wellbeing and community benefit sharing.

The findings will help inform ongoing project planning and the development of a Community Benefit Agreement (CBA) for Middle Creek Energy Hub, helping ensure community feedback continues to play an important role in shaping how project benefits are shared across the region.

What we're hearing from the community

Recent conversations with community members reinforced the importance of ongoing communication and creating opportunities for local people to stay informed and provide input as planning progresses.

Community members have also highlighted the importance of ensuring local priorities are reflected in future community benefit initiatives and recognising the different needs and perspectives that exist across communities within the project area.

These conversations help shape how we engage with communities and support our commitment to ensuring local voices continue to inform project planning and future community benefit initiatives.

Learn more about what we heard from the community

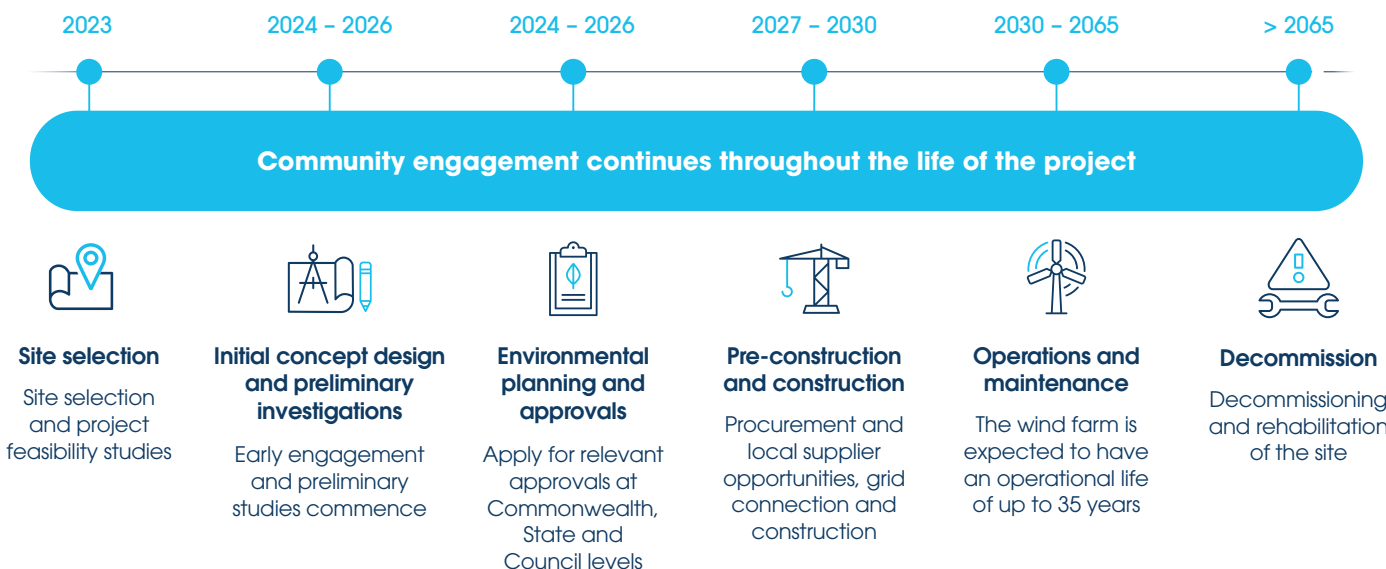
Community engagement supporting the Middle Creek Energy Hub Social Impact Assessment has continued across the Western Downs region, helping inform discussions around local priorities, and long-term benefit sharing.

To help share the outcomes of this engagement, Cubico has prepared a summary document, which provides an overview of the engagement process, key themes raised through discussions and what happens next.



Scan the QR code to read the summary document or visit middlecreekenergyhub.com.au/resources

Indicative project timeline



Supporting local communities



Over recent months, Cubico has continued supporting local events, organisations and community initiatives across the Western Downs region through sponsorships, partnerships and on-ground engagement activities.

These initiatives are part of Cubico's broader commitment to investing early in the communities surrounding the project and supporting activities that strengthen local connection, wellbeing and regional resilience.

Wandoan Show

Cubico was proud to support the Wandoan Show again this year, contributing \$30,000 towards children's entertainment and activities.

As one of the Western Downs' most anticipated annual events, the Wandoan Show brings together families, local businesses, schools, community groups and agricultural exhibitors from across the region. Cubico's sponsorship helped deliver a range of activities and entertainment for children and families, contributing to a fun and welcoming atmosphere throughout the day.

Members of the Middle Creek Energy Hub team also attended the show, hosting a community information stall where they spoke with local residents, answered questions and shared updates about the project.

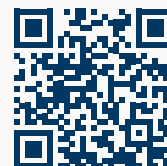
It was fantastic to see so many families enjoying the day and making the most of the children's activities. Cubico thanks the Wandoan Show committee and the many volunteers whose hard work helps make the event such a success each year.



Community grants available

Local community groups, schools, sporting clubs and not-for-profit organisations in the Western Downs region may be eligible to apply for funding through the Cubico Community Grants program.

The program supports initiatives that deliver positive outcomes for local communities, including projects focused on education, wellbeing, community development, environmental initiatives, sport and recreation, arts and culture.



For more information or to apply, visit the Cubico Community Grants portal at cubico.smartygrants.com.au

More than \$113,000 already invested into the local community

Since launching our Grants and Sponsorship Program in 2024, Cubico has invested in a range of initiatives in the local area around our Middle Creek project, including:

\$16,000	Wandoan Show's refurbishment of the Willacy Pavilion	\$10,000	LifeFlight
\$30,000	Wandoan Show 2026	\$500	Wandoan Clay Association's Two-Day Shoot Competition
\$27,000	Wandoan Show 2025	\$2,500	Juandah Heritage Society's QLD Day celebrations
\$6,000	Wandoan Christmas Carnival 2024 and 2025	\$10,000	Wandoan Camel Races
\$6,000	WDRC Big Skies Festival	\$5,000	Wandoan Community Campdraft

Supporting young people through the Clontarf Foundation

Earlier this year, members of the team joined in at a Clontarf Foundation sports event, bringing together students to focus on teamwork, participation and connection.

Cubico is now in its third year partnering with the Clontarf Foundation contributing \$30,000 towards programs and initiatives delivered via school-based academies across Australia. Clontarf Foundation provides programs that help young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men build confidence, strengthen engagement with education and develop pathways toward future employment opportunities.

Our team also joined in the fun at the Clontarf Foundation junior rugby league carnival in Kingaroy. The atmosphere was fantastic, with players showing encouragement and sportsmanship both on and off the field. It was great to see students coming together through sport.



The Clontarf Foundation currently supports young men through academies located in schools across Australia, helping improve education outcomes, life skills and employment prospects.

Cubico is proud to support initiatives that create positive opportunities for young people and contribute to stronger, more connected regional communities.

Fun at the Wandoan State School

Earlier this year, the Middle Creek Energy Hub team joined local families, students and educators at Under 8's Day at Wandoan State School for a morning of fun, learning and community connection.



The event brought together children from the school, kindergarten and wider community to enjoy games, creative activities and hands-on learning experiences.

Our team hosted a wind-themed craft activity where children made colourful mini windmills while learning how wind can be used to generate renewable energy.

It was wonderful to see so much creativity and enthusiasm, with students proudly showing off their creations throughout the morning.

Events like Under 8's Day provide a great opportunity to celebrate young people, support early learning and connect with local families. Thank you to Wandoan State School for welcoming us to be part of such a fantastic day.



Cubico's partnership helps regional communities prepare for emergencies



Cubico is helping regional communities build their emergency response skills through its partnership with LifeFlight's *First Minutes Matter* program.

Over the past 12 months, Cubico's support has contributed towards 12 free trauma response workshops held across regional Queensland, including Tara, Dalby, The Gums, Moonie and Jandowae. The training has equipped 129 community members with practical skills and confidence to respond during medical emergencies before professional help arrives.

Delivered by LifeFlight's experienced aeromedical professionals, the workshops cover a range of emergency situations, including severe bleeding, burns, snake bites, choking, seizures and cardiac events.

Cubico's Head of Country, David Smith, said supporting community wellbeing is an important part of the company's commitment to the regions hosting its renewable energy projects.

"In regional communities, where medical assistance can sometimes be some distance away, the actions of those at the scene can make a critical difference," Mr Smith said.

"Through our partnership with LifeFlight, we're helping more people gain the knowledge and confidence to respond effectively when an emergency occurs."

LifeFlight Business Manager, Community Education, Tamara Hurst, said the program helps empower everyday people with potentially life-saving skills.

"First Minutes Matter gives people the confidence to step in and help when it matters most," Ms Hurst said.

Through its proposed Marmadua Energy Park and Middle Creek Energy Hub in the Western Downs, along with Wambo Wind Farm near Jandowae, Cubico has contributed \$30,000 to support the delivery of the program across southern Queensland.

The workshops have been delivered to community groups, workplaces, sporting organisations and local residents, helping build safer and more resilient regional communities.

To learn more about LifeFlight's *First Minutes Matter* program, visit: lifeflight.org.au/first-minutes-matter.



Cubico recognises the First Peoples of this nation and their ongoing connection to culture and country.

We acknowledge First Nations Peoples as the Traditional Owners, Custodians and Lore Keepers of the world's oldest living culture and pay respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

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