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As the year draws to a close the GPG team would like to wish you all a safe and Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

The first round of the Golden Plains Shire, Berrybank 1 Wind Farm Community Grants have been awarded to four community groups that will share in a combined \$51,513

The successful groups were announced to the community at the November Council meeting. A grant of \$10,000 was awarded to the Cressy and District History Group to deliver a mural on the Cressy Water Tower. Geelong Landcare Network was also awarded a grant of \$1,540 to purchase a public address speaker box for use at public events.

Golden Plains Arts Inc were awarded \$26,772 in grant funding to deliver the GP Arts Inc. Arts Trail. The funding will be phased with \$15,402 to be delivered in the first year and \$5,685 in the second year and again in the third year.

The Teesdale Community Event Group were awarded a total of \$13,200 to deliver the annual Teesdale Twilight Market and Carols. This funding will also be phased with \$5,500 to be delivered in year one and \$3,850 in the second and third year.



Mayor Cr Brett Cunningham thanked the Berrybank Wind Farm for the funding to support local events and projects in Golden Plains.

“Council is pleased to administer the Berrybank Wind Farm Community Grants Program which provides additional funding opportunities to support more fantastic events and projects in the Shire.”

The Berrybank Wind Farm Community Grants Committee, made of representatives of the Company, Golden Plains Shire Council and members of the community, provide advice on the criteria for awarding community grants, evaluate applications from the public and make recommendations to Council on which local projects to support.

Residents of Smythesdale and surrounds are set to have access to dedicated health services at “The Well” once again.

As part of a Golden Plains Shire initiative, two medical practitioners will soon be operating on site, with \$50,000 of support from the State Government, and another \$50,000 from Global Power Generation Australia operators of the Berrybank 1 and 2 wind farms. Member for Buninyong Michaela Settle said local health services are integral to regional communities.



“This is incredibly important. When doctors’ services closed down here, a lot of people got in contact,” she said. “They put together a petition and were really crying out, and it’s especially important for many of the older members in the community who don’t want, or can’t travel, to Ballarat.”

The facility has been without a medical practitioner following the departure of Ballarat Community Health earlier this year.

The Well’s clinic rooms are set to be fitted out with new equipment and amenities, with plans to incorporate allied health and podiatry alongside general practice. An independent clinic group have taken on the lease, aiming to be operational in the near future.

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Greening Lismore

As part of the Corangamite Shire Berrybank Wind Farm Community Grants, Lismore Land Protection Group obtained a grant to partially support their 2022 tree planting program available to members of LLPG and their other associated Landcare groups. Landcare Facilitator Alicia Merriam applauds members such as Terry of Weering Eurack Landcare Group (pictured here) for braving rain and hail to get their trees in the ground.



Increased Traffic

We would like to advise that there will be increased activity on the wind farm site on the south side of the Hamilton Highway.

We have an isolated issue with a wind turbine that will require dismantling and rebuilding. There will be minimal activity on the surrounding roads. This activity will commence shortly and continue over the following months.

If you need any further information please do not hesitate to contact Community & Stakeholder Engagement Officer, Philip Beattie using the details below.

Neighbour Benefit Program

Voluntary deeds for neighbours whose household is located within a maximum radius of 2 km of the wind farm are still available at any time during the construction and operational periods of the wind farm. These deeds offer the opportunity to share the benefits generated by the Wind Farm over many years. For more information contact Philip Beattie using any of the contacts below.

Ask a Question

Do you have a question regarding the Wind Farm? If you would like an answer, please email your question to us via one of the emails addresses below and we will endeavour to publish the answer in the next newsletter.

Contact Us

If you are looking to contact GPG about the Berrybank 1 or 2 Wind Farms, you can use the specific email address to send though any feedback or complaints: berrybank1and2windfarms@globalpower-generation.com.au You can still also contact our community engagement officer **Phil Beattie** by phone: **0400 403 282** or email: philip.beattie@globalpower-generation.com.au or Monday, Wednesday and Friday in person at the wind farm office located at **578 Padgetts Lane, Wallinduc Vic 3324**.