COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

DENILIQUIN BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM SSD-72258210



The Independent Planning Commission is the consent authority that will determine whether the development application for the Deniliquin Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) should be approved and, if so, with what conditions.

A Panel of two Commissioners will review the whole-ofgovernment assessment of the application and seek the community's views by inviting **written submissions** and hearing from local community members at a local meeting

WHAT TO EXPECT FROM THE PROCESS

1. Case commencement

Our website has a 'case page' for the Deniliquin Battery Energy Storage System application where all the documents that the Panel will consider can be accessed by the public. We have sent an email to everyone who has previously made a written submission to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) to inform them of the opening of written submissions and registrations for local meetings.

If you wish to be notified of further updates, please email us at submissions@ipcn.nsw.gov.au and include the case name

2. Submissions

The Commission has access to all previous written submissions made to the Department regarding this proposed development. It is particularly helpful for the Commission Panel to hear the community's views on the <u>Department's Assessment Report</u>. We are accepting written submissions regarding this application from all interested parties until **11 December 2025.**

3. Stakeholder meetings & site inspection

The Panel will meet separately with the local council, DPHI and the applicant to seek additional detail about the application. A full transcript of these meetings will be published on our website. The Panel will also inspect the proposed project site and visit the local area. A record of these visits will be accessible on our website.

4. Local meetings

Local meetings will be held on Thursday 4 December 2025 at the Deniliquin Town Hall at 170 Cressy St, Deniliquin. These will be in-person meetings of 10 minutes each for local community members or groups. They will not be livestreamed but will be audio recorded and transcribed, with the transcript published on the Commission's website, and can also be observed in person. Local meetings are an opportunity for people who live nearby and may be most directly impacted by the project to present to the Panel. Local community members who would like to participate must register via the Commission's website. Registrations of interest to attend a local meeting will close at 5:00pm on 1 December 2025.

5. Determination

When the Commission makes its decision about the application, that decision will be published on our website and all those who participated in our process will be notified. We will publish a **Statement of Reasons for Decision** that will set out how community views were taken into account.



HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?



Written submissions: All members of the public can make written submissions through the Commission's website. Submissions will also be accepted by email at *submissions@ipcn.nsw.gov.au* or by post if received by us before Thursday 11 December 2025.



Register for a local meeting: Individuals or groups from the local community can register their interest in attending in-person10 minute local meetings with the Panel.

KEY DATES

- Registrations of interest to attend a local meeting close at 5:00 PM on 1/12/2025
- ☐ Written public submissions close 5:00 PM on 11/12/2025

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