

NW Stakeholder Reference Groups

Community Benefit Sharing

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Capacity building

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Research

Working with:

Community

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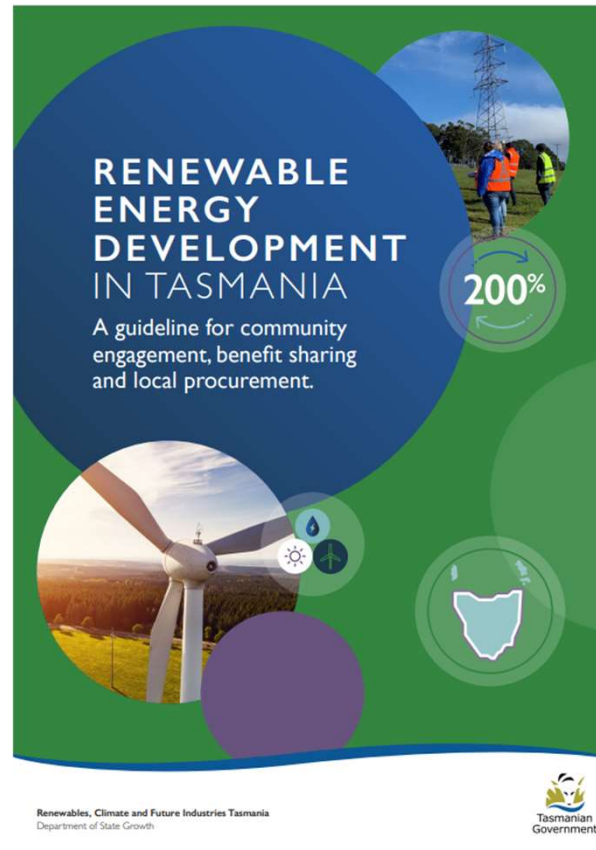
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Today's Info Session

Benefit sharing done **well**

Coordinating REZ benefit sharing

Tasmanian Guidelines



Understanding Benefit Sharing



Making a positive contribution in host communities

Having planned strategies

The project being valued by community

Community willingness for change

Recognising the shared value of sunshine, wind and water

What counts as 'benefit sharing'

- Local jobs
- Local procurement
- Host landholder payments (rent)
- Payment to local government (rates)



Choosing to fulfill essential project requirements in ways that deliver local benefits

- Sponsorship



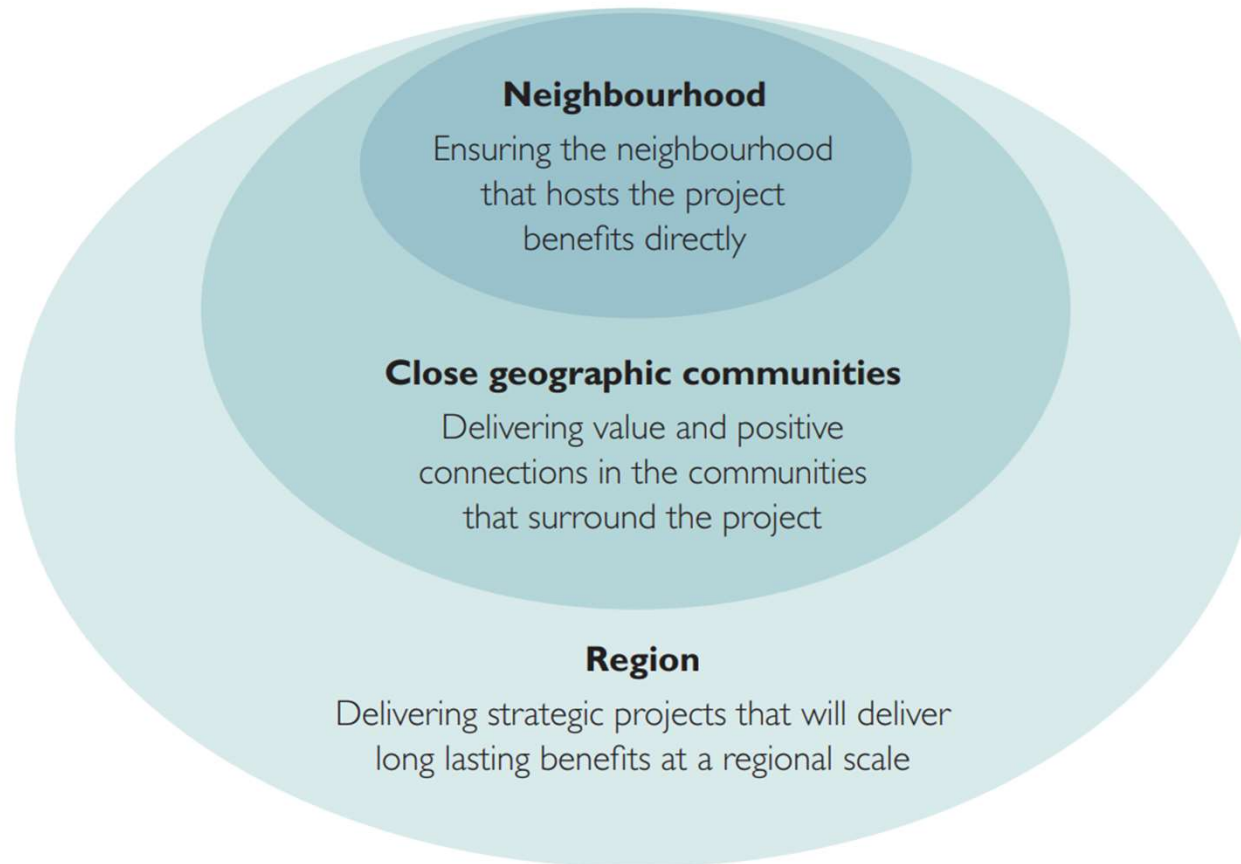
Part of the developer's marketing budget

- Neighbour benefit sharing
- Community benefit sharing
- Regional benefit sharing



Benefit Sharing - Beyond essential project requirements and beyond compliance

Scope of Benefit Sharing



Sourced from: ReCFIT | A Guideline for Community Engagement, Benefit Sharing and Local Procurement | Technical Supplement 4

Your experiences....

Do you know of examples of benefit sharing or partnerships with the community that have worked well?

Principles of Great Benefit Sharing

Appropriate

Flexible

Transparent

Integrated

Mutually
Beneficial

Strategic

Integrating Benefit Sharing

Coupled with
strong engagement

Included in project
planning & budget

Co-designed & co-
governed with
community

Start prior to
construction



Calculating Benefit Sharing

Technology type

Natural resources

Scale

Site conditions

Wind

\$800 - \$1800/ MW
and beyond

Solar

\$150 - \$800/ MW
and beyond

Types of benefit sharing initiatives

Grant Funds	Neighbour Benefit Programs	Employee Volunteerism
Co-investment & Co-ownership	Legacy Initiatives & Partnerships	Innovative Energy Products

Question....

Are there clear community needs and aspirations that renewable energy benefit sharing could contribute to?

Example: Strong & meaningful partnerships

Dundonnell Wind Farm
Domestic Violence
Accommodation



Example: Meeting a community need

Woolnorth Renewables
Mobile Dental Program



Example: Community Grant Fund

Golden Plains Wind Farm

- Community Reference Group
- Community Grants Program
- Community Energy Program



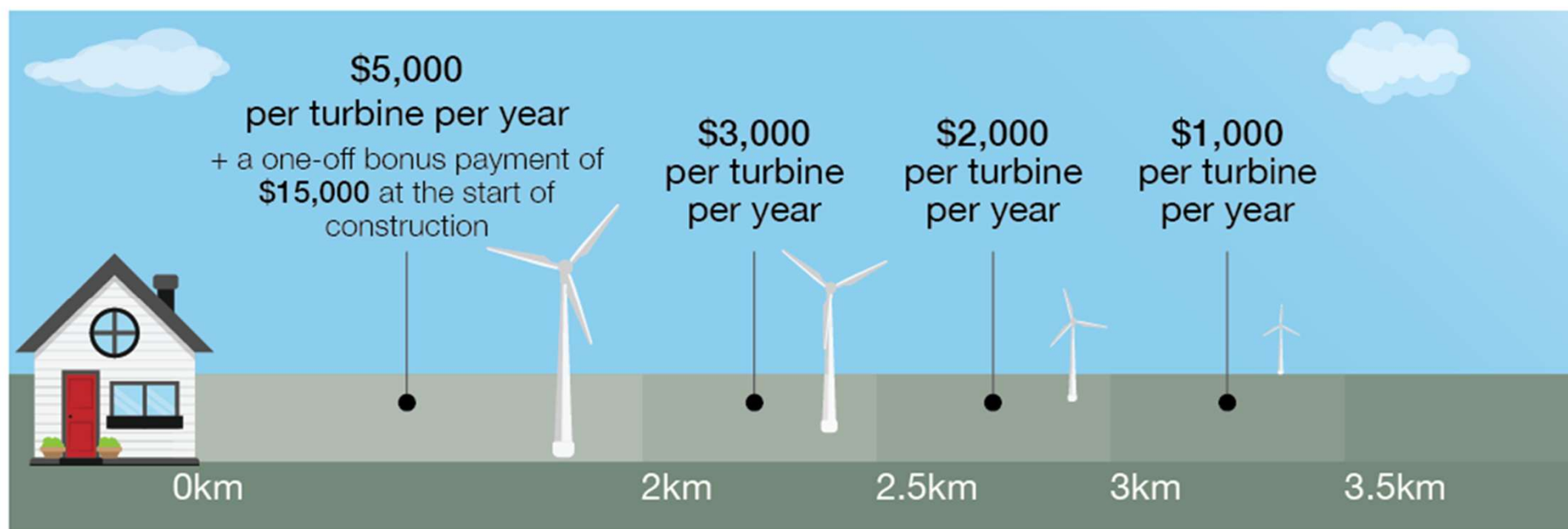
Example: Neighbourhood benefit sharing

Neoen : Thunderbolt Energy Hub

NEOEN NEIGHBOUR BENEFITS PROGRAM

Our neighbour benefit sharing program provides neighbours with an annual payment throughout the operations phase of the project (25-30 years).

It is based on the number of turbines within certain distances of your house.
The nearer the turbines are, the higher the amount.



Community Energy Projects

PV and SHW on Community Assets

Revolving Energy Funds

Solar Gardens

Bulk Buys

Community Owned Mid Scale Solar

Neighbourhood Batteries

Community Electric Bus

Solar Park Lighting

Co-Investment /Co-Ownership



Question....

As a region what would need to be done to be best ready to take up the opportunities represented by renewables and benefit sharing?

Benefit sharing across multiple projects

What could be
not so great

What could be
great

Benefit sharing across multiple projects

Challenges

- Multiple consultative committees
- Project straddle multiple LGA's
- Duplication and cross over
- Engagement fatigue -setting it up and managing it
- Numerous small grants or just sponsorship programs that don't really scratch the surface
- Lack of long term initiatives that create meaningful change in a community

Opportunities

- Coordination and collaboration to direct funding to where it is needed
- Innovative and meaningful projects could be funded over the long term
- Reduce administration and community resources needed to set up and manage over time
- Alignment and value adding to Council's strategic planning
- Social and economic prosperity changes in a region.
- Leveraging bigger grants that need matching funding from State or Federal programs

Discussion....

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