

COMMUNITY INFORMATION SHEET · CONNECTIVITY

Questions to ask

A one-page checklist for any connectivity proposal — cable, interconnector or transmission

About the need

Why is this link needed and what happens if it isn't built? Who benefits, where do they live and how will my community share in that benefit? What alternatives (including alternative routes and non-build options) were assessed and where is that assessment published?

About the route and design

How was the route chosen and when were communities first shown options? What will be visible once construction ends? Underground or overhead? If overhead, was undergrounding costed and the comparison published?

About land and compensation

What are landholders being offered, for how long and is it indexed? Who pays for independent legal and valuation advice? What do neighbours near, but not on, the route receive? Is there a community fund, who governs it and is it binding?

About construction

What are the hours, truck routes and durations? What biosecurity, weed and farm-access protocols apply and are they written into agreements? How is damage rectified and who arbitrates disputes?

About operation and legacy

What noise, maintenance access and restrictions continue for the life of the asset? How will the project report against its commitments once built? What happens at end of life? Removal and who pays?

About the process

Which approvals apply and what are the current comment deadlines? Where do I register for notifications? What has actually changed in response to consultation so far?

Want to know more? Bring this sheet to community sessions. Every question here is reasonable and a proponent managing its project well will have answers, in writing. This sheet is general information, not legal or planning advice; a specific proposal is confirmed by qualified assessment.