



Uralla Shire Business Chamber Inc
Meeting held at Michaels Cafe
Thursday 7 November 2019 at 7.00am

Meeting open: 7.08am with a welcome from the President

Attendance: Wayne Howard, John Buckingham, Hugh Sutherland, Col and Jo Hull, Iain Mackintosh, Geoff Collier, Teresa and Russ French, Bob and Pauline Crouch, Richard Downes,

Apologies: Daren Stephenson

Visitor – Mark Waring, Walcha Energy

Presentation by Mark and discussion of proposed wind and solar energy projects between Uralla and Walcha.

Mark outlined Walcha Energies proposals for renewable energy generation (wind and solar and pumped hydro) between Uralla and Walcha, presenting maps of the proposed development and outlining the development application process.

The pumped Hydro will be based on Dungowan Dam, and when combined with batteries will have a 3000MW storage capacity.

This project is expected to have over 300 employees/contractors in the area during construction with an ongoing workforce of about 30.

Mark is keen to hear from local businesses who would like to work with Walcha Energy of would just like more information. Mark can be contacted on Mark.waring@walchaenergy.com.au.

Previous Minutes: To be carried over to our next meeting

Business Arising:

- Xmas get together. The president to advise arrangements

To be carried over

- Consideration of Russell's comments on our business awards night
- Marketing of business directory and our offer of new businesses free membership for a year

Correspondence:

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General Business:

That the Business Chamber write to Council requesting signs be erected on Bridge Street advising that this is a reverse parking area and traffic may stop suddenly, John Buckingham/Col Hull CARRIED

Next Meeting: 5 December at the Bowlo

Meeting Close: 8.10am