



Regional Development Assessment Panel Minutes

Meeting Date and Time: Tuesday, 28 April 2026; 9:30am
Meeting Number: RDAP/71
Meeting Venue: 140 William Street, Perth

A recording of the meeting is available via the following link:
[RDAP/71 - 28 April 2026 - Shire of Broome](#)

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DAP Members

Francesca Lefante (Presiding Member)

Karen Hyde (Deputy Presiding Member)

Neema Premji

Cr Jan Lewis (Part B – Shire of Broome)

Cr Peter Taylor (Part B – Shire of Broome)
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DAP Secretariat

Shanara Wijethunga

Ashlee Kelly

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Part B – Shire of Broome
Applicant
Tom Willday (RFF Australia)
Officers/Technical Advisors in Attendance
Jacinda Perkins Kirsten Woods

Members of the Public / Media

Nil

Observers via livestream

There were 2 persons observing the meeting via the livestream.

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PART A – INTRODUCTION

1. Opening of Meeting, Welcome and Acknowledgement

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 9:30am on 28 April 2026 and acknowledged the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which the meeting was held and welcomed members.

The Presiding Member announced the meeting would be run in accordance with the DAP Standing Orders under the *Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011*.

1.1 Announcements by Presiding Member

The Presiding Member advised that panel members may refer to technical devices, such as phones and laptops, throughout the meeting to assist them in considering the information before them.

The meeting was recorded and livestreamed on the DAP website in accordance with regulation 40(2A) of the *Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011*. Members were reminded to announce their name and title prior to speaking.

2. Apologies

Cr Chris Mitchell (Local Government DAP Member, Shire of Broome)

3. Noting of Minutes

DAP members noted that signed minutes of previous meetings are available on the [DAP website](#).

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PART B – SHIRE OF BROOME

1. Declaration of Due Consideration

The Presiding Member noted that details of a DAP direction for services and responsible authority response in relation to Item 3.1, received on 23 April 2026 was published in Part B of the Related Information.

All members declared that they had duly considered the documents contained within Part B of the Agenda and Part B of the Related Information.

2. Disclosure of Interests

Nil

3. Form 1 DAP Applications

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Deputations

Tom Willday (RFF Australia) addressed the DAP in support of the application at Item 3.1 and responded to questions from the panel.

Shire of Broome addressed the DAP in relation to the application at Item 3.1 and responded to questions from the panel.

SUBSTANTIVE MOTION

Moved by: Cr Jan Lewis

Seconded by: Cr Peter Taylor

That the Regional DAP resolves to:

1. **Approve** DAP Application reference DAP/26/03053 and accompanying plans in accordance with Clause 68 of Schedule 2 (Deemed Provisions) of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015*, and the Shire of Broome Local Planning Scheme No. 7, subject to the following conditions:

Conditions

1. This decision constitutes planning approval only and is valid from the date of approval. If the subject development is not substantially commenced within the specified period, the approval shall lapse and be of no further effect.

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2. At all times, the measures set out in the approved Bushfire Management Plan prepared by Western Environmental and dated 12 November 2025 must be implemented by the owner at their cost to the satisfaction of the Shire of Broome.

The owner must supply evidence that all measures identified as requiring implementation by the owner in the Bushfire Management Plan have been implemented by the 1 May each year.

3. Prior to the occupation of the development, areas set aside for parked vehicles and access lanes, as shown on the approved plans, must be:
 - a) Finished to a sealed standard (either asphalt, two-coat bitumen seal or concrete), drained and kerbed in accordance with the approved plan.
 - b) Fully drained in accordance with the Shire of Broome's guidelines and specifications.
 - c) Line marked and signed in accordance with AS 2890 (off street parking) and disabled bays to be in accordance with AS/NZS2890.6:2009.
 - d) Maintained by the owner and kept available for these purposes.

Advice Notes

1. Where an approval has so lapsed, no development must be carried out without the further approval of the local government having first been sought and obtained.
2. It is the responsibility of the owner to obtain any other necessary approvals, consents and licenses required under any other law, and to commence and carry out development in accordance with all relevant laws.

The granting of this Development Approval is not a clearance that there are no Aboriginal Heritage Sites on the land nor is it an approval under Section 18 of the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972. The owner will need to make enquiry and application to the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage in order to ensure compliance with the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972.

AMENDING MOTION 1

Moved by: Karen Hyde

Seconded by: Neema Premji

That Condition No. 1 be amended to read as follows:

*This decision constitutes planning approval only and is valid from the date of approval. If the subject development is not substantially commenced within ~~the specified period~~ **4 years beginning the on day of which approval is granted**, the approval shall lapse and be of no further effect.*

The Amending Motion was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

REASON: The changes provide clarity on the development commencement period.

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SUBSTANTIVE MOTION (AS AMENDED)

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The Substantive Motion (as amended) was put and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

REASON: The proposed renewable energy facility complies with the local planning framework, including Local Planning Scheme No. 7 and the 'Public Utility' designation in Settlement Layout Plan No. 3. The panel agreed the essential infrastructure development supports community self-sufficiency, and broader benefits including training and employment. The bushfire risk management measures including site clearing, water and separation distance protect the solar panels and associated structures. The Panel supported the proposal, inclusive of condition changes.

4. Form 2 DAP Applications

Nil

5. Section 31 SAT Reconsiderations

Nil

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PART C – OTHER BUSINESS

1. State Administrative Tribunal Applications and Supreme Court Appeals

The DAP noted the status of the following State Administrative Tribunal Applications and Supreme Court Appeals:

Current SAT Applications				
File No. & SAT DR No.	LG Name	Property Location	Application Description	Date Lodged
DP/14/00039 DR65/2020	Shire of York	Lots 4869 (2256), 5931, 9926 (2948) and 26934 Great Southern Highway, St Ronans	Construction and Use of Allawuna Farm for the purposes of a Class II Landfill	28 July 2020
DAP/25/03017 DR53/2026	Shire of Kojonup	Various Lots, Jingalup	Windfarm and Transmission Line	2 April 2026

2. Meeting Closure

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 9:44am.

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