



Community Energy Presentation & Inception Workshop

Be Inspired
Create your Vision
Create a Plan
Make it Happen

We highly recommend Community Power Agency to any other group of community members, who are considering establishing a community renewable energy project or who are seeking to improve the capabilities and independence of their existing group.

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Presentation: If you are interested in community energy, the Community Power Agency recommends a public presentation to share inspiring stories and showcase different projects from across the world. We have visited over 50 community energy projects of all shapes and sizes across the world and can bring insight to your audience. Hear about and see photos from community-owned bio energy in Austria, solar in Australia, wind farms in Denmark and small hydro in England.



Workshop: The Inception Workshop can take your group through the process of articulating your shared vision for a community energy project. Through this interactive workshop, the group will develop a vision statement and key objectives to drive their project forward with shared commitment. The workshop also takes the group through a strategic planning process to identify the skills and community resources needed to deliver the project, the key areas of work and the next steps involved. You will end up with a plan to kick start your community energy project.

THE PRESENTATION & WORKSHOP WILL

- Articulate the group's shared vision for what they would like to achieve through the community energy project

 Build your community's knowledge about community energy
- Familiarise your group with the most viable community energy business models in Australia
- Identify the skills and resources needed, those available and those that need to sourced
- Establish an initial structure to take the group forward and to assign roles
- Develop a plan for the next steps toward making the project a reality

HOW LONG DOES IT GO FOR?

The presentation can go for 20 to 40 minutes.

The workshop can be adapted to suit your needs and can be run as a half or full day session. Four hours is the recommended time required.

WHO SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN THE WORKSHOP?

Participants should be interested to learn more about how to drive the community energy project forward. This will include individuals and organisations that have a keen interest in the idea of community energy and a skill or resource (eg. time, legal or technical knowledge, roof space) to offer. We recommend that there is an explicit commitment from attendees to be able to commit time or resources to move the project forward after the workshop, either as members of a steering committee or as project partners or advisers. We recommend a group of between 6 and 15 people.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

	Half Day	Full Day
Community Groups	750 AUD*	1200 AUD*
Councils	1000 AUD	1700 AUD

* We understand community groups may not have the sources of funding. Please get in touch with us to talk through co-funding options.

This was a professionally delivered series with a very strong understanding of our requirements as a community business.

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Trainers



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Founding Director of the Community Power Agency Nicky has spent more than a decade working in the community climate sector as a facilitator, advocate and organiser.

neering and Arts. Nicky has worked with New England Wind helping develop their pre-feasibility study and particularly looking at different organizational and business models for Community Renewable Energy projects As well as her role in the Community Power Agency, Nicky is a senior research consultant at Institute for Sustainable Futures at the University of Technology, Sydney.



Jarra Hicks

Founding Director of the Community Power Agency Jarra has a professional background in community development, campaigning and renewable energy.

Newcastle and in 2009 completed Honours research that focused on grassroots renewable energy projects as effective responses to climate change using innovative economic practices. Jarra spent two years as the Project Coordinator of Mount Alexander Community Wind in Central Victoria. She has also co-founded and worked for a range of community organisations and social enterprises, from food to energy, advocacy to banking.