



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **“Clean energy makes a hell of a lot of sense” says Dr John Hewson**

Dr John Hewson, former leader of the Liberal Party, recently appeared in a video supporting and promoting the Goulburn Community Energy Co-operative Solar Farm, which is now calling for investors in their innovative, community-owned solar project.

The project, a dispatchable Solar Farm to be built on Bridge Street in Goulburn, is one of the first Community-owned Solar Farms to be built with its own battery. The battery storage will enable investors to benefit from the sale of electricity into the grid when prices are higher – enabling a higher return on investment.

The farm will be community owned and operated with profits staying in the local community, managed by the community who owns the project, and there’s a fund to help disadvantaged in the community. The team are currently establishing guidelines with Anglicare Goulburn to give back to the community by providing financial assistance for disadvantaged Goulburn residents experiencing ‘power poverty.’

It’s a win win. The project will bring clean, green dollars back to the Goulburn Community, and will provide enough electricity to power around 500 homes which will be stored and fed back into the grid each day.

“Goulburn is still one of the leading examples of community solar in the country, and a shining example of what you can do as a community,” said Dr Hewson

“We have a moral responsibility apart from anything else to make this transition to renewable energy,” he said.

‘Communities are leading while governments are lagging,’ said Dr Hewson

Anyone in the local region can invest in this project, receive a return on their investment, and be part of a community led initiative to reduce Goulburn’s carbon footprint by producing electricity in our own region.

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You can hear more from John Hewson by clicking this [link](#)

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