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## **Wind Co-op Blown Away by Support**

Just a week after releasing its Wind Park survey, the Hepburn Wind Co-operative has already received hundreds of responses, the vast majority of whom expressed a great desire to invest in the Hepburn Community Wind Park. The Hepburn Wind Co-operative has been 'blown away' by the support it has received from the community.

Inaugural Chairperson, Simon Holmes a Court, reflected on the great results of the survey: "With over 450 responses totaling more than \$3m dollars, the future of this project is looking very bright."

Simon Holmes a Court went on to say, "Naturally we're very excited by these results. They've confirmed that this project is supported by the majority of people in this community, and is truly set to become Australia's first community owned wind farm."

There is no doubt that the tremendous response to the survey is a direct result of the hard work and sheer volume of hours that many volunteers have committed to the project. "It's a fantastic feeling to have this hard work rewarded with such a good result."

Deputy Chairperson, Koos Hulst, also paid tribute to members of the community for their support and keen interest, "On behalf of the Board of Hepburn Wind I'd like to thank everyone that took the time to complete the survey. It was an important part of our community consultation process and it's allowed us to hear what the community wants."

The survey takes a couple of minutes to complete and asks respondents questions regarding the Hepburn Community Wind Park and renewable energy generally. The responses are not commitments, though they will influence the planning of the capital raising process. If you would like to complete the survey it can still be accessed from the Hepburn Wind website at [www.hepburnwind.com.au](http://www.hepburnwind.com.au).

For more information about the Hepburn Community Wind Park visit [www.hepburnwind.com.au](http://www.hepburnwind.com.au). or contact Per Bernard on 5348 1298.

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