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## **Ready for business: Shoalhaven Community Solar Farm officially launches**

**Flow Power has now launched the Shoalhaven Community Solar Farm. The first of its kind in the region, the project will provide clean energy to the City of Sydney and local businesses across NSW.**

Codeveloped by Flow Power and not-for-profit group Repower Shoalhaven, the 3.9MWp solar farm exemplifies a true community project.

First envisioned by volunteer community group Repower, the 8,000-panel facility was delivered by Flow Power and built on land leased from Shoalhaven Council at Nowra Hill on Yuin Country. The project is supporting a range of community benefits and attracted \$500,000 in local community investment.

The solar farm was officially launched on 17 November. Flow Power hosted an on-site event, with a cross section of local stakeholders, including: Shoalhaven City Council Mayor Amanda Findley; City of Sydney CEO Monica Barone; Repower Shoalhaven members Robert Hayward and Walter Moore; and representatives from the community, government and local business including the University of Wollongong.

Flow Power provides the City of Sydney with 100% renewable electricity through a power purchase agreement – now bolstered by the Shoalhaven Community Solar Farm. City of Sydney CEO Monica Barone said the city was proud to have played a part in the facility's launch.

"The agreement not only means that all of the City's operation runs on 100% renewable electricity, at a saving of half a million dollars, but it means we're actively contributing to developments like this NSW regional, renewable energy initiative," Ms Barone said.

Flow Power CEO Matthew van der Linden said the facility provides a roadmap for other communities to launch their own renewable projects.

"We're incredibly grateful for the support of visionary organisations, like the City of Sydney, who recognise, not only the cost and sustainability benefits for themselves, but the flow on effects for other communities," Mr Van der Linden said.

"If organisations can follow in the City's footsteps, a net-zero carbon future is achievable."

Shoalhaven businesses can now purchase surplus solar energy from the farm through Power Purchase Agreements with Flow Power.

Proudly delivered by Flow Power and employing local contractors, Shoalhaven Community Solar Farm is now open for business and marks another milestone in Australia's clean energy transition.

The facility proves that community-led, locally generated, renewable electricity isn't merely feasible; it's essential to powering Australia's energy system towards a fully renewable future.

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### **About Flow Power**

[Flow Power](#) empowers Australian businesses to unlock value from the energy market. From retailing electricity, to providing the latest technology and expert advice, it partners with businesses to reshape how they manage energy.

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