

TSBE looks towards a sustainable future

Toowoomba and Surat Basin Enterprise (TSBE) is the go-to organisation linking business with opportunity to create sustainable growth and diversity for our region. As the world transitions to a lower carbon future, TSBE will assist those businesses who wish to transition to more sustainable practices and connect to opportunities around sustainability.

Some of the sustainability activities that TSBE has been involved in include:

- Our staff took part in a carbon training session with the Carbon Hub with Lisa France and Dr Paul Dargusch from the University of Queensland (UQ) to learn more about how to provide advice to TSBE members.
- TSBE's goal is to enable businesses to understand their carbon footprint so that they can lower emissions and implement waste reduction initiatives.
- TSBE seconded a student from the University of Southern Queensland (USQ) who is undertaking a Masters in Environmental Science to write a report on carbon neutrality for the red meat sector which will help form TSBE's strategy to assist this sector to become carbon neutral by 2030.
- Planning is progressing for a carbon event in 2022 to help businesses understand and lower their carbon emissions.
- Our team is investigating different carbon footprint measuring tools that could be suitable for members.
- TSBE helped source funding for USQ to undertake a food waste audit.
- TSBE partnered with the Department of State Development to work with Toowoomba's three hospitals to discuss key waste issues and develop sustainable regional economic, social and environmental solutions.
- TSBE fully supports the Queensland Government's goal for 50% renewable energy by 2030 and is working with the government to establish the Southern Queensland Renewable Energy Zone.
- TSBE worked closely with the Coopers Gap Windfarm to promote the local business opportunities for this project.
- TSBE have held several events with a renewable theme, including the Dulacca Windfarm, the McIntyre Windfarm and the Green Power Hub, attracting more than 400 attendees.
- Our team are undertaking a mapping process for the Wambo Windfarm to ensure local businesses are able to connect to this opportunity.
- TSBE's hydrogen hub is designed to attract a new hydrogen industry to the region, which has the potential to decarbonise part of the energy sector.
- A carbon neutrality workshop was held as part of our TAFE partnership.



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