

CoPower voting guide for ElectionBuddy

CoPower uses ElectionBuddy, <https://electionbuddy.com/>, as its voting platform. This guide is for the CoPower Budget 2023 final vote which takes place from

There are two ballot papers, one for the **Service Budget** and the 2nd for the **Impact Budget**.

The service budget has 4 areas that require your consideration, energy efficiency, digital experience, hardship, and renewable energy.

There are 16 applications for funds from the impact budget. A minimum of 5 projects will be funded.

The cumulative voting method is being used in both votes. In cumulative voting, you are given a fixed number of votes to be distributed between the candidates. You can allocate your votes any way you like, but you cannot allocate more than the total number of votes allowed.

The 2023 voting process has the following steps.

1. ElectionBuddy will send you an invitation to vote by email registered with Energy Local, just after 8 am on June 10th. You must complete your vote by 11:45 pm June 25th.
2. Inside the email will be a link to click on to go to the ballot papers. Once you click on the link you will go to the ElectionBuddy voting page.
3. Please allocate your votes, 10, to the areas in your preference in the Service Budget Allocation ballot. At the bottom of the ballot paper is a count of how many votes you have allocated. If you want more information about any area, please click on the [Information](#) link.
4. Please allocate your votes, 20, to the projects you prefer in the Impact Project Ranking ballot. At the bottom of the ballot paper is a count of how many votes you have allocated. If you want more information about a project, please click on the [Information](#) link.
5. Click on [Continue >>](#) to see how you have voted.
6. Once you are happy with your allocation, click on [Submit >>](#) to register your vote.
7. ElectionBuddy will send you a confirmation email.

If you have any questions, please contact Peter Reid on vote@cooperativpower.org.au. Peter will respond within 24 hours.