Geoff Park has lived with his family in the Newstead area since the mid-1980s.

Geoff owns and operates a consultancy business that works across Australia to improve environmental decision making.

Geoff has a keen and active interest in working with our local community on initiatives that generate positive social, environmental and economic benefits.

At present he contributes as part of the Renewable Newstead team acting as the convenor.



Shaun Britt moved to Newstead in 2013 with his family of 4 kids. Shaun's working life has been in the Food Manufacturing Sector where he has gained Maintenance, Electrical Engineering and Asset Reliability experience.

Shaun currently works at the local Don Smallgoods factory in Castlemaine as the Reliability and Controls Manager and sits on the Renewable Newstead committee.

His interest in the Renewable Newstead project is around providing a sustainable environment for his kids in a way that is less cost for all.

Saide Gray has had a property in Sandon since the early 1990s, moving here with her partner permanently in 2001. Her background is community development, education and sustainable agriculture.

Currently managing an olive grove and a conservation property, Saide is secretary of Newstead 2021 Inc, member of the Newstead Community Garden and part of the Renewable Newstead group.

She enjoys being part of Newstead community and endeavours to support projects beneficial to Newstead and the surrounding area.





Don Culvenor has spent a lifetime in local farming and runs businesses in three States. He has been actively involved in community, school and local sports groups.

A business mentor and entrepreneur, Don brings his experience to the Renewable Newstead team across planning and technical aspects of the project including the Powercor tariff trial.

Don currently sits on the Powercor Community Consultative Committee.



Genevieve Barlow is a freelance journalist, writer, communications and engagement specialist with a strong background in agricultural and rural affairs.

Since the Renewable Newstead project inception, Gen has coordinated and executed the community engagement schedule and partner reporting.

Gen's other recent commitments include Chair and Director of a Community Bank and current Chair of Newstead 2021 Inc.

