#### Deliberative Session - February 3, 2024 at 9:00 A.M.

Explanation, discussion and debate of each warrant article. Middle School, 51 Haley Drive

**Town Voting - March 12, 2024 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.** Middle School, 51 Haley Drive



### **Barrington Community Power**

#### What is Community Power?

Community Power, authorized by NH RSA 53-E, allows local governments to procure electric power on behalf of their residents, businesses, and municipal accounts.

Community Power replaces the utility company as the "default" supply option, giving customers more choices for energy supply. Barrington's Community Power Plan program will launch only if it can initially offer electric rates that are lower than the Eversource rate.

### **Benefits of Community Power**

**Local Control** - Towns decide how to prioritize energy decisions, instead of leaving those decisions to investor-owned utilities or state regulators.

**Lower Costs** - Community Power can lower and stabilize energy costs by participating freely in the energy market and actively managing a diverse power portfolio.

**Customer Choice** - Community Power offers customers a menu of options, allowing them to prioritize lower costs, clean energy, and/or innovative products and services.

**Renewables** - Community Power allows opportunities to contract for or participate in development of new, local renewable energy and battery storage projects as part of the energy portfolio.

**Resilience and Innovation** - Community Power encourages programs to enable new technologies to shift energy usage away from high-cost times. Examples include Time-of-Use rates, new net metering options, and battery storage opportunities.

### Are taxpayers at risk if we launch a Community Power program?

There are no taxpayer funds used for running our Community Power program. The cost to operate the program is recovered through revenues associated with electricity sales.

### What will my bill look like?

Your bill will look just as it does now, with charges divided between supply and delivery. The only difference is the line item for energy supply will read "Barrington Community Power."

Eversource will continue to deliver power, send the bill, and to maintain and repair the power grid infrastructure.

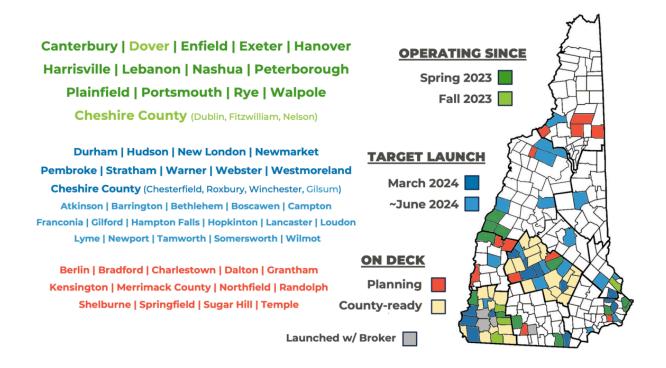
## Does everyone have to participate in a Community Power program?

Community Power programs are voluntary. Any customer may opt-out of the Community Power program without penalty and stay with Eversource, or choose another third party power supplier.

Any customer who is already using a third party power supply may choose to switch to Barrington's Community Power program.

# How to bring Community Power to our community?

Vote for Barrington Community Power at Town Meeting on March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Join the growing number of Towns and Counties in the Community Power Coalition, already representing more than 30% of New Hampshire's population.





Questions?
Join us for the Barrington
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