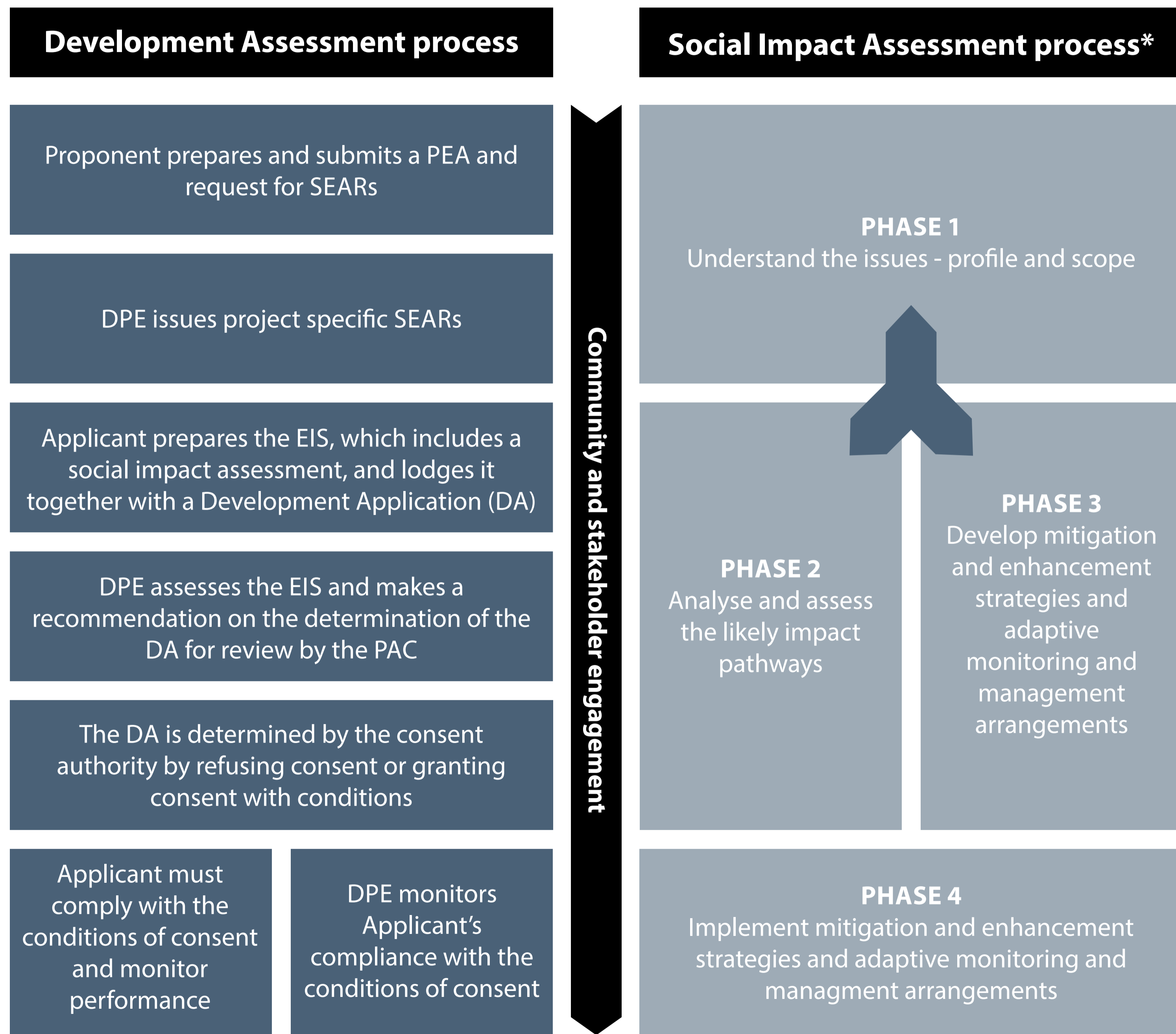


# What is the Development Application Process?

- Application to be prepared and submitted to the NSW Department of Planning and Environment (DPE)
- Application to be supported by a comprehensive EIS
- Public exhibition of EIS
- Assessment by DPE and review/determination by the independent Planning Assessment Commission (PAC)



*If the Applicant applies for a modification to the consent that is likely to result in social impacts that are new or different to those assessed as part of the original development, the Applicant should seek advice from the DPE on the appropriate process.*

SIA and the development process for State Significant Development resource projects

\* Based on Vanclay F et al (2015). *Social impact assessment: Guidance for assessing and managing the social impacts of projects.* Fargo ND: International Association of Impact Assessment

# What's an EIS and SIA?

An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is prepared to assess the environmental effects of the Project

Key environmental and social studies to be undertaken include:

- Noise, Vibration and Blasting
- Visibility
- Air Quality
- Terrestrial Ecology
- Aquatic Ecology
- Soils and Land Capability
- Site Access
- Transport
- Health Risk and Lead Management
- Aboriginal and Cultural Heritage
- Surface Water
- Groundwater
- Social Impact
- Agriculture Impact
- Economic Impact

***“A Social Impact Assessment (SIA) is the process of analysing, assessing and responding to the potential social impacts of a proposed development, with a view to minimising negative social impacts and enhancing positive social impacts”***

(Source: DPE SIA draft Guidelines)