



26 JUNE 2023

Shire of Esperance

BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA

A Bush Fire Advisory Committee meeting of the Shire of Esperance will be held at Council Chambers on 28 June 2023 commencing at 6:00 PM to consider the matters set out in the attached agenda.

S Burge

Chief Executive Officer

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ATTACHMENTS

Please be advised that in order to save printing and paper costs, all attachments referenced in this paper are available in the original Agenda document for this meeting.

RECORDINGS

The Meeting will be audio recorded. The recording is for minute taking purposes only.

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SHIRE OF ESPERANCE

AGENDA

BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING TO BE HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON 28 JUNE 2023 COMMENCING AT 6:00 PM

1. OFFICIAL OPENING

2. ATTENDANCE

Members

Cr W Graham	Shire of Esperance (Deputy)
Cr I Mickel	Shire of Esperance
Mr P Longmire	Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Mr A Perks	Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Mr W Carmody	Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Mr T Carmody	Cascade Bush Fire Brigade
Mr K Scott	Coomalbidgup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr M Scott	Coomalbidgup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr R Graham	Salmon Gums Bush Fire Brigade
Mr R Doney	Salmon Gums Bush Fire Brigade
Mr J Allan	Salmon Gums Bush Fire Brigade
Mr P Guest	Salmon Gums Bush Fire Brigade
Mr D Sanderson	Southern Mallee Bush Fire Brigade
Mr R Longbottom	Southern Mallee Bush Fire Brigade
Mr C Hallam	Southern Mallee Bush Fire Brigade
Mr R Chambers	Quarry Rd Bush Fire Brigade
Mr C Scott	Six Mile Hill Bush Fire Brigade
Mr S Brennan	Six Mile Hill Bush Fire Brigade
Mr P Rowe	Six Mile Hill Bush Fire Brigade
Mr N Ruddenklau	Condingup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr L Mickel	Beaumont Bush Fire Brigade
Mr M Bertola	Beaumont Bush Fire Brigade
Mr B South	Beaumont Bush Fire Brigade
Mr S Schlink	Howick Bush Fire Brigade
Mr N Ratcliffe	Pink Lake Bush Fire Brigade
Mr C Hine	Mt Merivale Bush Fire Brigade
Mr B King	Mt Merivale Bush Fire Brigade
Mr N Norwood	Scaddan Bush Fire Brigade
Mr G Egan	Scaddan Bush Fire Brigade
Mr D Vandenberghe	Scaddan Bush Fire Brigade
Mr A Reichstein	Neridup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr A Stewart	Neridup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr C Govans	Gibson Bush Fire Brigade
Mr P Luberdia	Dalyup Bush Fire Brigade
Mrs K Naylor	Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions
Mr T Douglass	Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions
Mr P Harkness	Emergency Support Unit

Ex Officio

Mr A Peczka

Manager Community Emergency Services

3. APOLOGIES & NOTIFICATION OF GRANTED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Mr L Palmer

Quarry Rd Bush Fire Brigade

Mrs M Ammon

Manager Community Support

Mr S Peterson

District Officer for Department of Fire and Emergency Services

4. DECLARATION OF MEMBERS INTERESTS

4.1 Declarations of Financial Interests – Local Government Act Section 5.60a

4.2 Declarations of Proximity Interests – Local Government Act Section 5.60b

4.3 Declarations of Impartiality Interests – Admin Regulations Section 34c

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the Minutes of the Bush Fire Advisory Committee Meeting of the 19 September 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1 Work Health & Safety

- Training matrix for Farm/Business workers v Volunteer Fire Fighters
- Review and update brigade training profile of Volunteer Fire Fighters
- Minimum PPE requirements for Farm/Business workers and where to purchase
- Establishing PPE Matrix for Volunteer Fire Fighters

7. REPORTS

7.1 Chief Bush Fire Control Officer – Mr Phil Longmire

7.2 DFES District Officer – Mr Stephen Peterson

7.3 DBCA Esperance Officer – Mr Tasman Douglas

7.4 Community Emergency Services Officer – Mr Ashley Peczka

7.5 Association of Volunteer Bush Fire Brigades – Mr Danny Sanderson

8. HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT

8.1 Incident & Safety Report

- Shire new online hazard reporting system.
- Driving standards

9. ELLECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

9.1 Election of Chief & Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officers

Chairperson _____ declared all positions vacant at _____ hrs and
Mr _____ appointed as Returning Officer to carry out the election of
Office Bearers;

- Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Nominated:
Seconded:
Elected:
- Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Nominated:
Seconded:
Elected:
- Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Nominated:
Seconded:
Elected:

9.2 Election of Senior Fire Control Officers

- Senior Fire Control Officers
 - West Zone
Nominated:
Seconded:
Elected:
 - West Coast Zone
Nominated:
Seconded:
Elected:
 - North Zone
Nominated:
Seconded:
Elected:
 - East Zone
Nominated:
Seconded:
Elected:
 - East Coast Zone
Nominated:
Seconded:
Elected:
 - Urban Rural Zone
Nominated:
Seconded:
Elected:

9.3 Election of Deputy Senior Fire Control Officers

- West Zone
Nominated:
Seconded:
Elected:
- West Coast Zone
Nominated:
Seconded:
Elected:
- North Zone
Nominated:
Seconded:
Elected:
- East Zone
Nominated:
Seconded:
Elected:
- East Coast Zone
Nominated:
Seconded:
Elected:
- Urban Rural Zone
Nominated:
Seconded:
Elected:

9.4 Confirmation of Fire Weather Officers for 2023/24

Chief Fire Weather Officer	Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Fire Weather Officers	Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer (East)
	Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer (West)
	Senior Fire Control Officer - Urban/Rural
	Community Emergency Services Manager

9.5 Confirmation of Brigade Fire Control Officers for 2023/24 Season

9.6 Confirmation of Brigade permit Issuing Officers for 2023/24 Season

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

10.1 Esperance Bushfire Fleet Mobility Working Group

- Supt John Kagis and John Kirk online to provide feedback to the report

10.2 Australian Fire Danger Rating System

- Setting new trigger for Harvest & Vehicle Movement Ban

10.3 Fuel Loader Observers

- Observers needed to assist in setting fuel tonnage around district

10.4 Communications

- At firground
- Movement of appliances to incidents

10.5 Fire Hazard Reduction Notice

- Review of notice for the 2023/24 fire season
- Setting of Prohibited and Restricted Burning Times

10.6 Mitigation

- Shires 2023/24 MAF mitigation schedule

10.7 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act

- What does it mean for management of fires?

10.8 Current Trails

- Satellite Hand Held Radios
- Fire Mapper

10.9 Training & Vehicle Servicing Schedule

- Fire Training Calendar Schedule
- SOE BFB Fleet Servicing Schedule

11. CLOSURE