



8 JULY 2024

Shire of Esperance

NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA

A Bush Fire Advisory Committee meeting of the Shire of Esperance will be held at Council Chambers on 15 July 2024 commencing at 6:00 PM to consider the matters set out in the attached agenda.

S Burge

Chief Executive Officer

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Council is committed to a code of conduct and all decisions are based on an honest assessment of the issue, ethical decision-making and personal integrity. Councillors and staff adhere to the statutory requirements to declare financial, proximity and impartiality interests and once declared follow the legislation as required.

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 15 JULY 2024
COMMENCING AT 6:00 PM**

1. OFFICIAL OPENING

Vale – Harry Stead (Coomalbidgup Bush Fire Brigade) 2003-2023

2. ATTENDANCE

Members

Cr W Graham	Shire of Esperance
Pres R Chambers	Shire of Esperance (Deputy)
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 Walter	Cascade Bush Fire Brigade
Mr T Carmody	Cascade Bush Fire Brigade
Mr K Scott	Coomalbidgup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr S Lloyd	Coomalbidgup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr R Doney	Salmon Gums Bush Fire Brigade
Mr D Sanderson	Grass Patch Bush Fire Brigade/Bush Fire Volunteer Assoc.
Mr R Longbottom	Grass Patch Bush Fire Brigade
Mr C Hallam	Grass Patch Bush Fire Brigade
Mr M Ietto	Grass Patch Bush Fire Brigade
Mr R Chambers	Quarry Rd Bush Fire Brigade
Mr J Durdin	Quarry Rd Bush Fire Brigade
Mr L Palmer	Quarry Rd Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Toby Dhue	Quarry Road Bush Fire Brigade
Mr C Scott	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 B South	Beaumont Bush Fire Brigade
Mr S Schlink	Howick Bush Fire Brigade
Mr K Lawrence	Pink Lake Bush Fire Brigade
Mr C Hines	Mt Merivale Bush Fire Brigade
Mr B King	Mt Merivale Bush Fire Brigade
Mr D Vandenberghe	Scaddan Bush Fire Brigade
Mr N Norwood	Scaddan Bush Fire Brigade
Mr A Reichstein	Neridup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr P Luberda	Dalyup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr S Peterson	District Officer for Department of Fire and Emergency Services

Mr P Harkness

Emergency Support Unit

Ex Officio

Mr R Greive

Director External Services

Mr A Peczka

Manager Community Emergency Services

Ms Z Sheffield-van Mierlo

Manager Ranger and Emergency Services

Ms C Magana

Bushfire Risk Mitigation Coordinator

Mrs K Naylor

Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions

Mr D Kinsella

DFES District Officer

Guests

3. APOLOGIES & NOTIFICATION OF GRANTED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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 3 October 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1 Work Health & Safety

7. REPORTS

7.1 Chief Bush Fire Control Officer – Mr Phil Longmire

7.2 DFES District Officer – Mr Stephen Petersen

7.3 DBCA Esperance Officer – Mr Justin Black / Mrs Karen Naylor

7.4 Community Emergency Services Manager – Mr Ashley Peczka

7.5 Association of Volunteer Bush Fire Brigades – Mr Danny Sanderson

8. HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT

8.1 Incident & Safety Report

- Gibson Fire Shed Break in
- Boxing Day Incident

- Heat damage to appliance reflective stripping from mitigation

9. ELECTION 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 (Incumbent Mr Phil Longmire)

	1	2	3
Nominated			
Nominated By			
Seconded			
Elected			

- Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer (Incumbent Mr Will Carmody)

	1	2	3
Nominated			
Nominated By			
Seconded			
Elected			

- Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer (Incumbent Mr Adrian Perks)

	1	2	3
Nominated			
Nominated By			
Seconded			
Elected			

9.2 Election of Senior Fire Control Officers

- West Zone (Incumbent Mr Tom Carmody)

	1	2	3
Nominated			
Nominated By			
Seconded			
Elected			

- West Coast Zone (Incumbent Mr Kingsley Scott)

	1	2	3
Nominated			
Nominated By			
Seconded			
Elected			

- North Zone (Incumbent Mr Chris Hallam)

	1	2	3
Nominated			
Nominated By			
Seconded			
Elected			

- East Zone (Incumbent Mr Simon Schlink)

	1	2	3
Nominated			
Nominated By			
Seconded			
Elected			

- East Coast Zone (Incumbent Mr Adrian Perks)

	1	2	3
Nominated			
Nominated By			
Seconded			
Elected			

- Urban Rural Zone (Incumbent Mr Peter Rowe)

	1	2	3
Nominated			
Nominated By			
Seconded			
Elected			

9.3 Election of Deputy Senior Fire Control Officers

- West Zone (Incumbent Mr Will Carmody)

	1	2	3
Nominated			
Nominated By			
Seconded			
Elected			

- West Coast Zone (Incumbent Mr Peter Luberda)

	1	2	3
Nominated			
Nominated By			
Seconded			
Elected			

- North Zone (Incumbent Mr Perin Guest)

	1	2	3
Nominated			
Nominated By			
Seconded			
Elected			

- East Zone (Incumbent Mr Lyndon Mickel)

	1	2	3
Nominated			
Nominated By			
Seconded			
Elected			

- East Coast Zone (Incumbent Mr Nic Ruddenklau)

	1	2	3
Nominated			
Nominated By			
Seconded			
Elected			

- Urban Rural Zone (Incumbent Mr Ron Chambers)

	1	2	3
Nominated			
Nominated By			
Seconded			
Elected			

9.4 Confirmation of Fire Weather Officers for 2024/25 Season

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 2024/25 Season

Thanks to Jason Allan (Salmon Gums) and Craig Hines (Mt Merivale).
Thanks to Dave Vandenberghe and Scott Watkins for their service as Captain, standing down from the role with their respected brigade.

9.6 Confirmation of Brigade Permit Issuing Officers for 2024/25 Season

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 10.1 Group Welfare Check in
- 10.2 Boxing Day Debrief
- 10.3 Bushfire Brigade Local Law
- 10.4 Mitigation
- 10.5 Role of fire Control Officers
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- 10.8 Training & Vehicle Servicing Schedule

4. CLOSURE