



BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES

Committee Brief

To advise the Local Government regarding all matters relating to the preventing, controlling and extinguishing of bush fires, the planning of the layout of fire-breaks in the district, prosecutions for breaches of the Bush Fires Act 1954, the formation of bush fire brigades and the grouping thereof under group brigade officers and the ensuring of cooperation and coordination of bush fire brigades in their efforts and activities.

Annual General Meeting of the Bush Fire Advisory Committee
Held at Shire Chambers Mount Barker WA 6324
7:30pm Thursday 4 June 2020

Rob Stewart
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Committee Members

Cr J Oldfield, Cr L Handasyde, (Resolution No 203/19), CBFCO Mr Norm Handasyde, Mr John Rodgers, Mr Craig Moore, Ms Heather Wearmouth, Mr Scott Smith, Mr Iain Mackie, Mr Robert Wright, Mr Chris Norton, Mr Dean Trotter, Ms Kathleen Thomas, Mr Wayne Matthews, Mr Murray Wills, Mr Graeme Pyle, Mr Nathan Hunt, Mr J Stasev, Mr Mark Wallace, and Mr R Randall. (Resolution 79/19)

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 Membership: Voting rights Quorum (8)

Cr Jon Oldfield	Council Representative
Mr Norm Handasyde	Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Mr Iain Mackie	Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Mr Bryce Skinner	Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Mr Mark Wallace	Chief Fire Weather Officer
Mr Roger Randall	Base Radio (6TN Base)
Mr John Rodgers	Delegate Denbarker Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Craig Moore	Delegate Forest Hill Bush Fire Brigade
Ms Heather Wearmouth	Delegate Kendenup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Scott Smith	Delegate Kojaneerup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Robert Wright	Delegate Narpyn Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Chris Norton	Delegate Narrikup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Dean Trotter	Delegate Perillup Bush Fire Brigade
Ms Kathleen Thomas	Delegate Porongurup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Wayne Matthews	Delegate Porongurup South Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Murray Wills	Delegate Rocky Gully Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Graeme Pyle	Delegate South Stirlings Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Nathan Hunt	Delegate Woogenellup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Jason Stasev	Delegate Mount Barker Volunteer Fire & Rescue Service

Proxies: Voting rights only in the absence of the Delegate

Cr Len Handasyde	Proxy Council Representative
Mr Bryce Skinner	Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Mr Brent Wearmouth	Proxy Deputy Fire Weather Officer
Ms Val Randall	Proxy Base Radio (6TN Base)
Mr Simon Grylls	Proxy Denbarker Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Johan Theron	Proxy Forest Hill Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Maurice Draper	Proxy Kendenup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Ashton Hood	Proxy Kojaneerup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Greg Sounness	Proxy Middle Ward Bush Fire Brigade or
Mr Paul Spink	Proxy Middle Ward Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Kevin Purnell	Proxy Narpyn Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Des Graham	Proxy Narrikup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Stuart Irwin	Proxy Perillup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Gerald (Gez) Versluis	Proxy Porongurup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Jim Baily	Proxy Porongurup South Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Ian Higgins	Proxy Rocky Gully Bush Fire Brigade
Mr John Howard	Proxy South Stirlings Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Stephen Adams	Proxy Woogenellup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Trevor West	Proxy Mount Barker Volunteer Fire & Rescue Service

No voting committee

Cr Karen Woltering	Deputy for Council Representatives
Mr David Lynch	Executive Manager Works and Services
Ms Jacqui Burcham	Base Radio (6TN Base)
Mr Mike Barnes	Executive Officer/Community Emergency Services Manager
Mr Ron Caudwell	Base Radio (6TN Base)

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

Meeting opened at 9.25pm

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

Bold denotes voting rights at the meeting

Present

Cr Jon Oldfield

Cr Len Handasyde

Cr Karen Woltering

Mr Norm Handasyde

Mr Mark Wallace

Mr Brent Wearmouth

Mr John Rodgers

Mr Craig Moore

Ms Heather Wearmouth

Mr Gerald Versluis

Mr Jim Bailly

Brigade

Mr Iain Mackie

Mr Robert Wright

Mr Chris Norton

Mr Murray Wills

Mr Graeme Pyle

Mr Mark Adams

Mr Jason Stasev

Mr David Lynch

Mr Mike Barnes

Council Representative

Council Representative

Deputy Council Representative

Chief Bush Fire Control Officer (CBFCO)

Chief Fire Weather Officer (FWO)

Proxy Deputy Fire Weather Officer

Delegate Denbarker Bush Fire Brigade

Delegate Forest Hill Bush Fire Brigade

Delegate Kendenup

Proxy Porongurup Bush Fire Brigade

Proxy Porongurup South Bush Fire

Delegate Middle Ward Bush Fire Brigade

Delegate Narpyn Bush Fire Brigade

Delegate Narrikup Bush Fire Brigade

Delegate Rocky Gully Bush Fire Brigade

Delegate South Stirlings Bush Fire Brigade

Woogenellup Bush Fire Brigade

Delegate Mount Barker Volunteer Fire & Rescue

Executive Manager Works and Services (EMWS)

Executive Officer/Community Emergency Services Manager (CESM)

Visitors

Mr Wes Bailly

Ms Deb Pyle

Department of Fire and Emergency Services

South Stirlings Bush Fire Brigade

Apologies

Mr Bryce Skinner

Mr Roger Randall

Ms Val Randall

Mr Ron Caudwell

Ms Jacqui Burcham

Mr Simon Grylls

Mr Johan Theron

Mr Maurice Draper

Mr Scott Smith

Mr Ashton Hood

Mr Greg Sounness

Mr Paul Spink

Mr Kevin Purnell

Mr Des Graham

Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer

Base Radio (6TN Base)

Proxy Base Radio (6TN Base)

Base Radio (6TN Base)

Base Radio (6TN Base)

Proxy Denbarker Bush Fire Brigade

Proxy Forest Hill Bush Fire Brigade

Proxy Kendenup Bush Fire Brigade

Delegate Kojaneerup Bush Fire Brigade

Proxy Kojaneerup Bush Fire Brigade

Proxy Middle Ward Bush Fire Brigade or

Proxy Middle Ward Bush Fire Brigade

Proxy Narpyn Bush Fire Brigade

Proxy Narrikup Bush Fire Brigade

Mr Dean Trotter	Delegate Perillup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Stuart Irwin	Proxy Perillup Bush Fire Brigade
Ms Kathleen Thomas	Delegate Porongurup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Wayne Matthews	Delegate Porongurup South Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Ian Higgins	Proxy Rocky Gully Bush Fire Brigade
Mr John Howard	Proxy South Stirlings Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Nathan Hunt	Delegate Woogenellup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Stephen Adams	Proxy Woogenellup Bush Fire Brigade
Mr Trevor West	Proxy Mount Barker Volunteer Fire & Rescue Service
Mr Ron Caudwell	Base Radio (6TN Base)
Ms Jacqui Burcham	Base Radio (6TN Base)
Mr Vince Hilder	Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (Albany)
Mr Nikki Rouse	Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (Walpole)
Ms Mel Haymont	Bushfire Risk Planning for the Shire of Plantagenet, Albany and Denmark
Mr Mal Parker	PF Olsen (Tree Plantation)

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Mr J Baily, Seconded Mr G Pyle;

That the Minutes of the Annual General Bush Fire Advisory Committee Meeting held on 1 May 2019 as circulated, be taken as read and adopted as a correct record.

CARRIED

4 ELECTION OF OFFICE

4.1 FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS, RADIO OPERATORS AND FIRE WEATHER OFFICERS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved Mr Murray Wills, Seconded Mr Jim Baily;

That it be a recommendation to the Council:

That:

1. All previous appointments for the positions of Bush Fire Control Officers, designated Bush Fire Service positions and Bush Fire Advisory Committee members for the Shire of Plantagenet be cancelled on 30 June 2019.
2. The below be appointed as Bush Fire Control Officers, designated Bush Fire Service positions and Bush Fire Advisory Committee members within the designated Bush Fire Brigade areas for 2020/2021, taking effect from 1 July 2020

CARRIED

4.1.1 CHIEFS

Position	Nominee 2020/2021	Nominator	Secunder	Recommendation to Council
Chief Bush Fire Control Officer	Mr Norm Handasyde	Mr Graeme Pyle	Mr Jim Baily	Yes
Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer No. 1	Mr Iain Mackie	Mr Mark Wallace	Mr Norm Handasyde	Yes
Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer No. 2	Bryce Skinner	Mr Mark Wallace	Mark Adams	Yes
Chief Fire Weather Officer Shire	Mark Wallace	Heather Wearmouth	Iain Mackie	Yes
Deputy Fire Weather Officer Shire	Brent Wearmouth	Mr Mark Wallace	Mr Norm Handasyde	Yes

4.1.2 BASE RADIO OPERATORS

Position	Nominee 2020/2021	Nominator	Secunder	Recommendation to Council
Base Radio Operator	Mr Roger Randall	Mr Roger Randall	Mr Chris Norton	Yes
Deputy Base Operator	Mr Ron Caldwell	Mr Roger Randall	Mr Murray Wills	Yes
	Ms Jacqui Burcham	Mr Roger Randall	Mr Jim Baily	Yes
	Ms Val Randall	Mr Roger Randall	Mr Mark Adams	Yes
	Ms Rebecca Barnes	Mr Roger Randall	Mr Chris Norton	Yes

4.1.3 Fire Weather Officers

Position	Nominee 2020/2021	Recommendation to Council
Denbarker Fire Weather Officer No. 1	Neville Lindberg	Yes
Fire Weather Officer No. 2	Caroline Lindberg	Yes
Forest Hill Fire Weather Officer No. 1	Brad Maclean	Yes
Kendenup Fire Weather Officer	Brent Wearmouth	Yes
Kojaneerup Fire Weather Officer	Vacant	Yes
Middle Ward Fire Weather Officer	Vacant	Yes
Narpyn Fire Weather Officer	Mark Wallace	Yes
Narrikup Fire Weather Officer	Chris Norton	Yes
Perillup Fire Weather Officer	Kieran Allison	Yes
Porongurup Fire Weather Officer	Warren Thomas	Yes
Porongurup South Fire Weather Officer	Vacant	Yes
Rocky Gully Fire Weather Officer	Robin Higgins	Yes
South Stirlings Fire Weather Officer	Vacant	Yes
Woogenellup Fire Weather Officer	Nathan Hunt	Yes
Town Fire & Rescue Fire Weather Officer	Vacant	Yes
Shire of Plantagenet	David Lynch	Yes
	Mike Barnes	Yes
	Steve Player	Yes

4.1.4 FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS 2020 - 2021

Position	Nominee	Recommendation to Council
Denbarker		
Fire Control Officer No. 1	Tony Griffiths	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 2	Simon Grylls	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 3	Warren Drage	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 4	Neville Lindberg	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 5	Brad Lynch	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 6	John Rodgers	Yes
Forest Hill		
Fire Control Officer No. 1	Craig Moore	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 2	Len Handasyde	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 3	Murray McLean	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 4		Yes
Kendenup		
Fire Control Officer No. 1	David Burcham	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 2	Stephen Beech	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 3	Robert Baines	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 4	Rod Stan-Bishop	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 5	Ken Frost	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 6	Philip Webb	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 7	Heather Wearmouth	Yes
Middle Ward		

Fire Control Officer No. 1	Paul Spinks	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 2	Kim Stothard	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 3	Iain Mackie	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 4	Greg Sounness	Yes

Narpyn

Fire Control Officer No. 1	Michael Cave	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 2	Owen Sounness	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 3	Kevin Forbes AM	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 4	Robert Wright	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 5	Mark Wallace	Yes

Narrikup

Fire Control Officer No. 1	Chris Norton	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 2	Des Graham	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 3	Warren Forbes	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 4	Graeme Frusher	Yes

Perillup

Fire Control Officer No. 1	Dean Trotter	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 2	Syd Anning	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 3	Robin Ditchburn	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 4	Tony Henderson	Yes

Porongurup

Fire Control Officer No. 1	Warren Thomas	Yes
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Fire Control Officer No. 2	John Russell	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 3	Brad Cluett	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 4	Gerald Versluis	Yes

Porongurup South

Fire Control Officer No. 1	Wayne Mathews	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 2	Jim Bailey	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 3	Richard Stan-Bishop	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 4	Jeff Schneider	Yes

Rocky Gully

Fire Control Officer No. 1	Ian Higgins	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 2	Murray Wills	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 3	Andy Simmons	Yes
Fire Control Officer No.4	Vacant	

Woogenellup

Fire Control Officer No. 1	Bryce Skinner	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 2	Nathan Hunt	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 3	Stephen Adams	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 4	Mark Adams	Yes
Fire Control Officer No. 5	Kyle Pieper	Yes

South Stirlings

Dual Fire Control Officer No. 1	Graeme Pyle	Yes
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Dual Fire Control Officer No. 2	John Howard	Yes
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Kojaneerup

Dual Fire Control Officer No. 1	Ashton Hood	Yes
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Dual Fire Control Officer No. 2	Scott Smith	Yes
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Shire of Plantagenet

Fire Control Officer No. 1	David Lynch	Yes
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Fire Control Officer No. 2	Mike Barnes	Yes
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Fire Control Officer No. 3	Steve Player	Yes
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Fire Control Officer No. 4	Mark Vitler	Yes
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Fire Control Officer No. 5	Jason Rutter	Yes
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4.1.5 PROPOSED BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER NOMINATIONS 2020/2021 SEASON

Brigade	DELEGATE	PROXY	Recommendation to Council
Denbarker	Tony Griffiths	Simon Grylls	Yes
Forest Hill	Craig Moore	Johan Theron	Yes
Kendenup	Heather Wearmouth	Maurice Draper	Yes
Kojaneerup	Ashton Hood	Scott Smith	Yes
Middle Ward	Paul Spink	Greg Sounness	Yes
Narpyr	Robert Wright	Craig Williams	Yes
Narrikup	Chris Norton	Des Graham	Yes
Perillup	Dean Trotter	Syd Anning	Yes
Porongurup	Gez Versluis	Scott Clements	Yes
South Porongurup	Wayne Matthews	Jim Baily	Yes
Rocky Gully	Ian Higgins	Murray Wills	Yes
South Stirlings	Graeme Pyle	John Howard	Yes
Woogenellup	Nathan Hunt	Mark Adams	Yes
Mt Barker VFRS	Jason Stasev	Trevor West	Yes
Shire of Plantagenet	David Lynch		Yes
Shire of Plantagenet	Mike Barnes		Yes
Shire of Plantagenet	Steve Player	Jason Rutter	Yes

5 GENERAL BUSINESS**5.1 Hand Held Radios**

A request for more vertex hand held radios to be issued from Department of Fire and Emergency Service (DFES) communications branch.

A full stocktake of the currently issued radios will need to be conducted prior to any more radios being issued.

Action

All past and present Fire Control Officers (FCO), if in possession of a DFES Vertex radio, to send the serial number of that hand held radio prior to the end of July 2020.

6 NEXT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The next annual general meeting will be held in May 2021; time, date and venue to be advised.

7 MEETING CLOSURE

Meeting Closed at 9.40pm

8 ACTION SHEET

**Bush Fire Advisory Committee Meeting
4 June 2020**

Item No.	Date	Subject	By Whom	Action	Date Complete	Initial
5.1	4 June 2020	Hand held radios	All past and present FCOs	If in possession of a DFES Vertex radio, to send the serial number of that hand held radio. By the end of July 2020		