



## BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

# MINUTES

SECTION 5.9(2)(a) LGA 1995

### 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.*

Special Meeting of the Bush Fire Advisory Committee held in the  
Shire Council Chambers, Lowood Road, Mount Barker WA 6324  
8.00pm Wednesday 12 October 2022

Cameron Woods  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

### Committee Members

Cr John Oldfield, Cr Karen Woltering, Cr Len Handasyde, CBFCO Mr Norm Handasyde, DCBFCO 1 West Mr Iain Mackie, DCBFCO 2 East Mr Bryce Skinner, Mr Greg Sounness, Mr David Lynch and CESM Mr Mike Barnes (Resolution No 172/21)

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**Executive Membership**

Cr J Oldfield	Council Representative (Presiding Member)
Cr K Woltering	Council Representative
Cr L Handasyde	Chief Fire Weather Officer (Deputy)
Mr N Handasyde	Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Mr I Mackie	Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer 1 West
Mr B Skinner	Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer 2 East
Mr G Sounness	Deputy Chief Fire Weather Officer
Mr D Lynch	Executive Manager Works and Services
Mr M Barnes	Community Emergency Services Manager



**1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS**

7.56pm The Presiding Member declared the meeting open

**2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / LEAVE OF ABSENCE**Members Present

Cr Jon Oldfield	Council Representative
Cr Len Handasyde	Deputy Council Representative/Chief Fire Weather Officer
Cr Karen Woltering	Council Representative
Mr Norm Handasyde	Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Mr Iain Mackie	Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer 1 West
Mr Bryce Skinner	Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer 2 East
Mr David Lynch	Executive Manager Works and Services (EMWS)
Mr Mike Barnes	Community Emergency Services Manager

**3 ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHIEF FIRE WEATHER OFFICER**

Cr Oldfield announced that Mr Greg Sounness had resigned from the position of Deputy Chief Fire Weather Officer and the position needed filling.

Cr Handasyde nominated Mr Graeme Pyle.

As there were no other nominations Mr Graeme Pyle was elected Deputy Fire Weather Officer.

**Moved Cr L Handasyde, Seconded Mr N Handasyde:**

**That it be a recommendation to the Council:**

- 1. Mr Graeme Pyle be appointed as the Shire of Plantagenet Deputy Chief Fire Weather Officer for 2022/23.**
- 2. The resignation of Mr Greg Sounness from the position of Deputy Chief Fire Weather Officer be noted and he be thanked for his service.**

**CARRIED**

**4 CLOSURE OF MEETING**

8.00pm The Presiding Member declared the meeting closed.

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PRESIDING MEMBER

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DATE