

07 May 2025

NOTICE OF MEETING

Dear Committee Member,

The next Bush Fire Advisory Committee meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, 14 May 2025 in the Civic Area, Shire of Mundaring Administration Centre.

The attached agenda is presented for your consideration.

Yours sincerely

Jason Whiteaker
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Please Note

If a Council Member has a query regarding a report item or requires additional information in relation to a report item, please contact the senior employee (noted in the report) prior to the meeting.



AGENDA BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING 14 MAY 2025

ATTENTION/DISCLAIMER

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BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING CIVIC AREA, SHIRE OF MUNDARING ADMINISTRATION CENTRE - 7:00 PM

1.0 OPENING PROCEDURES

Acknowledgement of Country

Shire of Mundaring respectfully acknowledges the Whadjuk people of the Noongar Nation, who are the traditional custodians of this land. We acknowledge Elders past, present and emerging and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the region.

1.1 Announcement of Visitors

1.2 Attendance/Apologies

Members	Ian Zlatnik Cr Doug Jeans Cr John Daw Cr Karen Beale Shane Purdy Robin Preston Steve Dryden Catriona McCarthy Glen Stenton Dan Wharton Aaron Thredgold Adrian Woodley Jeff Bromilow Lesley Lynam Neil Hawkins Jamie O'Neill Gary Rowles Nigel Morgan	Chairperson & Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer Central Ward East Ward West Ward Director Built and Environment Darling Range VBFB Captain Darlington VBFB Captain Chidlow VBFB Captain Glen Forrest VBFB Captain Parkerville VBFB Captain Parkerville VBFB Captain Mount Helena VBFB Captain Sawyers Valley VBFB Captain Stoneville VBFB Captain Wooroloo VBFB Captain Mundaring Fire School Chief Bush Fire Control Officer Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
	Tom Belger	Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Staff	Craig Cuthbert Michael Lenne Charlotte Jones	A/Manager Emergency Management A/Coordinator Emergency Management Emergency Management Secretary

Apologies Karen Dore Bush Fire Risk Management Officer

2.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION

3.0 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

3.1 Declaration of Financial Interest and Proximity Interests

Council Members must disclose the nature of their interest in matters to be discussed at the meeting (Part 5 Division 6 of the Local Government Act 1995).

Employees must disclose the nature of their interest in reports or advice when giving the report or advice to the meeting (Sections 5.70 and 5.71 of the Local Government Act 1995).

3.2 Declaration of Interest Affecting Impartiality

A Council Member or an employee who has an interest in a matter to be discussed at the meeting must disclose that interest (Shire of Mundaring Code of Conduct, Local Government (Admin) Reg. 34C).

4.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Bush Fire Advisory Committee Meeting held 26 February 2025 be confirmed.

5.0 PRESENTATIONS

6.0 REPORTS OF EMPLOYEES

6.1 BFAC Quarterly Theme - Season Debrief/discussions on s33 and s24G.

File Code	EM.VNT1		
Author	Craig Cuthbert, Coordinator Community Safety & Emergency Management		
Senior Employee	Shane Purdy, Director Built & Natural Environment		
Disclosure of Any Interest	Nil		
Attachments	1. Attachment 1 - LG Bushfire Report 2024/2025		
	2. Attachment 2 - Mundaring KBDI		
	3. Attachment 3 - Firebreak/Fuel Load Notice		

PURPOSE

To collaboratively engage in discussions about the most recent high fire period, as well as the Firebreak/Fuel Load notice and its supplementary part, s24G, Restricted burning.

BACKGROUND

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee (BFAC) has quarterly themes for each meeting. This is to ensure wider consultation with brigades, allowing the Council to be better informed on the upcoming burning periods, mitigation planning, and response.

STATUTORY / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Shire of Mundaring Council Plan 2024 - 2034

Objective 2 - Sustainable Environments

Outcome 2.3 - Build resilience to cope with natural disasters and emergencies, including storms, flooding and fire.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Nil implications as this will strengthen the consultation and collaboration, resulting in achieving the Council's aspirations to strive for Sustainable Environments, Communities, and Governance as per Council Plan 2024-2034

RISK IMPLICATIONS

Risk: Reputational risk - in that a reduction in communication between internal and external stakeholders could occur, if not carried out.

Likelihood	Consequence	Rating		
Unlikely	Insignificant	Low		
Action / Ctrate and				

Action / Strategy

Carry out quarterly themes to ensure continuity in communications between all internal and external stakeholders

CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS

The Council Decision will be communicated in the following way/s.

Direct to stakeholder/s	
Website article/ post	
Social media post	
Print article/ media release	
E-newsletter/ Community update	
Advertisement	
Nil	Х

EXTERNAL CONSULTATION

Nil

COMMENT

Please see the discussion points below as part of the May BFAC quarterly theme.

- LG Bushfire Report 2024/2025 (Attachment 1)
- Shire of Mundaring KBDI (Attachment 2)
- S33/s24G, Firebreak and Fuel Load Notice (Attachment 3)
- Opportunity for committee members to discuss the recent high-threat period and to raise any concerns or make comments. Including suggestions for the next high fire period with relation to rostering/crewing, strike teams etc.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee acknowledge the May 2025 quarterly theme, and the abovementioned points were discussed.





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	2024/2025
Total Number of Bushfires:	95
Unreported	30
Burn off fires	15
Suspicious/Deliberate	10
Reignition of previous fire	8
Other open flames or fire	7
Weather Conditions (High winds, natural combustion etc. Excludes Lightning)	4
Power lines	4
Weather Conditions - Lightning	3
Human Error (Left on, knock over, unattended etc.)	3
Hot works (grinding, cutting, drilling etc)	3
Undetermined	2
Children misadventure	1
Vehicles (incl. Farming Equipment/Activities)	1
Fireworks/flares	1
Electrical distribution (excl. power lines)	1
Campfires/bonfires/outdoor cooking	1
Sleeping/Alcohol/Drugs/Physical-Mental impairment	1

Locality	Incident No	Date / Time	Suburb	Street
MUNDARING (S)	677225	01/07/2024 29:12	MOUNT HELENA	KEANE ST W
MUNDARING (S)	677343	02/07/2024 51:09	MAHOGANY CREEK	STRETTLE RD
MUNDARING (S)	677562	04/07/2024 54:04	WOOROLOO	GOVERNMENT RD





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MUNDARING (S)	677777	05/07/2024 32:13	WOOROLOO	GREAT EASTERN HWY
MUNDARING (S)	678121	07/07/2024 09:20	WOOROLOO	NEEDHAM RD
MUNDARING (S)	678900	13/07/2024 35:20	WOOROLOO	NEEDHAM RD
MUNDARING (S)	679966	22/07/2024 03:19	WOOROLOO	GREAT EASTERN HWY
MUNDARING (S)	683807	27/08/2024 41:17	HELENA VALLEY	LAKESIDE DR
MUNDARING (S)	687155	18/09/2024 09:14	SWAN VIEW	VIEWWAY
MUNDARING (S)	687409	19/09/2024 13:21	CHIDLOW	ROSEDALE RD
MUNDARING (S)	687520	20/09/2024 39:12	WOOROLOO	WERRIBEE RD
MUNDARING (S)	688328	22/09/2024 19:19	PARKERVILLE	GILL ST
MUNDARING (S)	688556	23/09/2024 41:15	PARKERVILLE	ROLAND RD
MUNDARING (S)	688995	25/09/2024 35:15	SAWYERS VALLEY	GOSLIN ST
MUNDARING (S)	689171	26/09/2024 35:09	WOOROLOO	DINSDALE RD
MUNDARING (S)	689275	26/09/2024 06:15	WOOROLOO	STOKES CL
MUNDARING (S)	689280	26/09/2024 23:15	WOOROLOO	HOPEDALE RISE
MUNDARING (S)	689282	26/09/2024 26:15	MUNDARING	FORREST AV
MUNDARING (S)	689468	27/09/2024 49:12	MOUNT HELENA	ALFRED ST
MUNDARING (S)	690458	01/10/2024 24:05	STONEVILLE	LA GRANGE RD
MUNDARING (S)	690547	01/10/2024 59:12	PARKERVILLE	HEBB CT
MUNDARING (S)	690555	01/10/2024 14:13	STONEVILLE	BENTLEY ST
MUNDARING (S)	690562	01/10/2024 38:13	STONEVILLE	GODDARD PL
MUNDARING (S)	690566	01/10/2024 55:13	MOUNT HELENA	BUNNING RD
MUNDARING (S)	690622	01/10/2024 13:17	HOVEA	WILSON RD
MUNDARING (S)	690630	01/10/2024 44:17	PARKERVILLE	ROLAND RD
MUNDARING (S)	690722	02/10/2024 02:13	MOUNT HELENA	COLWYN RD
MUNDARING (S)	695742	26/10/2024 30:16	SAWYERS VALLEY	RAILWAY TCE
MUNDARING (S)	695853	27/10/2024 56:04	MOUNT HELENA	BURKE ST
MUNDARING (S)	696205	28/10/2024 47:16	CHIDLOW	PROGRESS DR
MUNDARING (S)	696586	30/10/2024 06:17	SAWYERS VALLEY	RAILWAY TCE
MUNDARING (S)	696715	31/10/2024 17:11	GLEN FORREST	MARRI RD





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MUNDARING (S)	696757	31/10/2024 54:14	WOOROLOO	GREAT EASTERN HWY
MUNDARING (S)	697007	01/11/2024 53:18	STONEVILLE	WILDBERRY DR
MUNDARING (S)	698075	07/11/2024 25:20	MOUNT HELENA	ST
MUNDARING (S)	698102	08/11/2024 13:07	DARLINGTON	MARNIE RD
MUNDARING (S)	698111	08/11/2024 48:07	DARLINGTON	LIONEL RD
MUNDARING (S)	698739	10/11/2024 02:18	SAWYERS VALLEY	OSMOND GLEN
MUNDARING (S)	698989	12/11/2024 56:11	PARKERVILLE	BYFIELD RD
MUNDARING (S)	699134	13/11/2024 43:09	MUNDARING	GREAT EASTERN HWY
MUNDARING (S)	699287	14/11/2024 04:09	MOUNT HELENA	HILLS SENIOR HIGH SCHO
MUNDARING (S)	699562	15/11/2024 31:18	HELENA VALLEY	HELENA VALLEY RD
MUNDARING (S)	699696	16/11/2024 58:16	SAWYERS VALLEY	GORRIE RD
MUNDARING (S)	699886	18/11/2024 55:08	SAWYERS VALLEY	SAWYERS FIRETOWER
MUNDARING (S)	700119	19/11/2024 22:21	CHIDLOW	ASH RD
MUNDARING (S)	700833	24/11/2024 24:15	MALMALLING	
MUNDARING (S)	700996	26/11/2024 22:05	STONEVILLE	STONEVILLE RD
MUNDARING (S)	701051	26/11/2024 58:14	PARKERVILLE	WEDGETAIL CIR
MUNDARING (S)	702144	06/12/2024 26:09	SAWYERS VALLEY	HELENA TCE
MUNDARING (S)	703233	15/12/2024 58:13	THE LAKES	GREAT SOUTHERN HWY
MUNDARING (S)	704229	15/12/2024 58:13	THE LAKES	GREAT SOUTHERN HWY
MUNDARING (S)	703260	15/12/2024 02:18	MIDVALE	SALISBURY RD
MUNDARING (S)	703278	15/12/2024 31:22	MOUNT HELENA	ALISON ST
MUNDARING (S)	703889	20/12/2024 39:20	MIDVALE	ROE HWY
MUNDARING (S)	704036	22/12/2024 44:09	SWAN VIEW	BUCKNELL PL
MUNDARING (S)	704732	28/12/2024 15:18	MIDVALE	MORRISON RD
MUNDARING (S)	704832	30/12/2024 48:03	HELENA VALLEY	CLAYTON RD
MUNDARING (S)	704884	30/12/2024 13:17	BOYA	VIVIAN WAY
MUNDARING (S)	705006	31/12/2024 36:20	MOUNT HELENA	MILL END
MUNDARING (S)	705033	01/01/2025 07:00	BELLEVUE	KATHARINE ST
MUNDARING (S)	705079	01/01/2025 16:14	THE LAKES	GREAT EASTERN HWY





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Data Date: 29/04/2025

MUNDARING (S)	705276	02/01/2025 32:19	MIDVALE	SALISBURY RD
MUNDARING (S)	705369	03/01/2025 58:16	MALMALLING	
MUNDARING (S)	705593	06/01/2025 52:11	CHIDLOW	LILYDALE RD
MUNDARING (S)	705750	07/01/2025 07:16	DARLINGTON	PADBURY RD
MUNDARING (S)	706161	11/01/2025 34:17	DARLINGTON	DALRY RD
MUNDARING (S)	706245	12/01/2025 35:18	HOVEA	
MUNDARING (S)	706356	14/01/2025 37:00	MUNDARING	YARRI GR
MUNDARING (S)	706550	16/01/2025 18:04	BAILUP	TOODYAY RD
MUNDARING (S)	708642	03/02/2025 18:07	MOUNT HELENA	ALISON ST
MUNDARING (S)	708988	06/02/2025 57:11	DARLINGTON	GLEN RD
MUNDARING (S)	709307	09/02/2025 35:12	CHIDLOW	HONEYEATER GLDE
MUNDARING (S)	709685	13/02/2025 16:14	SWAN VIEW	BERESFORD GDNS
MUNDARING (S)	710358	19/02/2025 11:18	MUNDARING	GILL ST
MUNDARING (S)	711496	02/03/2025 02:19	THE LAKES	GREAT SOUTHERN HWY
MUNDARING (S)	711950	06/03/2025 55:21	SAWYERS VALLEY	SEXTON ST
MUNDARING (S)	712199	09/03/2025 30:14	MOUNT HELENA	CADE ST
MUNDARING (S)	714060	26/03/2025 44:04	THE LAKES	GREAT SOUTHERN HWY
MUNDARING (S)	714576	30/03/2025 19:04	BAILUP	SQUARCINI CL
MUNDARING (S)	714579	30/03/2025 34:04	DARLINGTON	VICTOR RD
MUNDARING (S)	714613	30/03/2025 07:11	BAILUP	SQUARCINI CL
MUNDARING (S)	714822	01/04/2025 07:02	MIDVALE	MORRISON RD
MUNDARING (S)	715357	04/04/2025 06:11	BAILUP	SQUARCINI CL
MUNDARING (S)	715603	06/04/2025 53:06	GREENMOUNT	GREENMOUNT LOOKOUT
MUNDARING (S)	715697	06/04/2025 46:17	HELENA VALLEY	HELENA VALLEY RD
MUNDARING (S)	716333	10/04/2025 16:01	STONEVILLE	BENTLEY ST
MUNDARING (S)	716628	11/04/2025 37:09	MOUNT HELENA	OLIVER ST
MUNDARING (S)	716892	12/04/2025 50:12	SAWYERS VALLEY	
MUNDARING (S)	717772	16/04/2025 39:17	PARKERVILLE	VISTA DR
MUNDARING (S)	718459	19/04/2025 20:18	MOUNT HELENA	OSBORNE ST





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MUNDARING (S)	718501	20/04/2025 53:02	DARLINGTON	BOYA QUARRY
MUNDARING (S)	718567	20/04/2025 43:13	MALMALLING	YETAR RD
MUNDARING (S)	718789	21/04/2025 22:12	SAWYERS VALLEY	BAMBROOK ST
MUNDARING (S)	718900	22/04/2025 31:05	MOUNT HELENA	OSBORNE ST
MUNDARING (S)	720463	28/04/2025 25:14	GLEN FORREST	GREAT EASTERN HWY

Ignition Cause	Size (hect)
Unreported	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Unreported	< 1

Vehicles (incl. Farming	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Burn off fires	< 1
Reignition of previous fire	< 1
Reignition of previous fire	< 1
Other open flames or fire	< 1
Weather Conditions (High winds, natural	< 1
Burn off fires	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Other open flames or fire	< 1
Other open flames or fire	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Burn off fires	< 1
Burn off fires	623
Burn off fires	< 1
Suspicious/Deliberate	< 1
Other open flames or fire	< 1
Suspicious/Deliberate	60
Unreported	Unknown
Suspicious/Deliberate	< 1
Suspicious/Deliberate	< 1
Suspicious/Deliberate	< 1
Burn off fires	< 1
Undetermined	< 1
Power lines	< 1
Hot works (grinding, cutting, drilling etc)	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Fireworks/flares	< 1
Undetermined	803

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Burn off fires	< 1
Weather Conditions - Lightning	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Human Error (Left on, knock over,	< 1
Children misadventure	< 1
Burn off fires	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Unreported	Unknown
Human Error (Left on, knock over,	< 1
Burn off fires	< 1
Other open flames or fire	< 1
Burn off fires	< 1
Burn off fires	< 1
Burn off fires	< 1
Reignition of previous fire	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Weather Conditions (High winds, natural	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Human Error (Left on, knock over,	< 1
Reignition of previous fire	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Other open flames or fire	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Other open flames or fire	< 1
Burn off fires	< 1

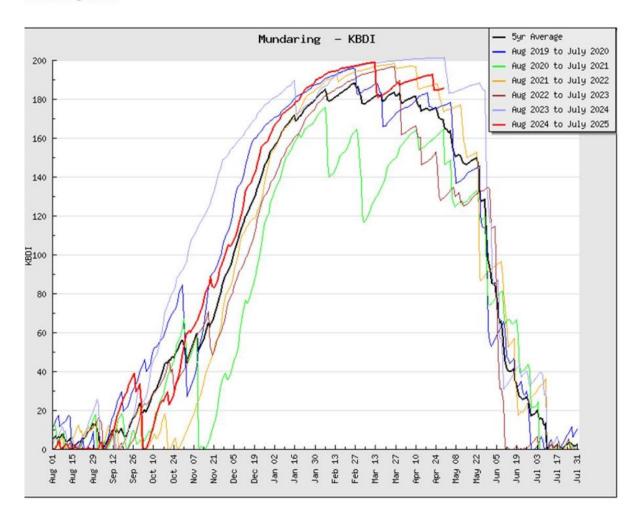
Suspicious/Deliberate	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Weather Conditions (High winds, natural	< 1
Suspicious/Deliberate	< 1
Power lines	< 1
Suspicious/Deliberate	< 1
Electrical distribution (excl. power lines)	< 1
Suspicious/Deliberate	2
Unreported	< 1
Hot works (grinding, cutting, drilling etc)	< 1
Power lines	< 1
Hot works (grinding, cutting, drilling etc)	< 1
Weather Conditions - Lightning	< 1
Reignition of previous fire	< 1
Power lines	< 1
Weather Conditions (High winds, natural	3
Reignition of previous fire	< 1
Weather Conditions - Lightning	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Reignition of previous fire	1
Suspicious/Deliberate	< 1
Reignition of previous fire	Unknown
Campfires/bonfires/outdoor cooking	< 1
Sleeping/Alcohol/Drugs/Physical-Mental	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Burn off fires	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Unreported	< 1
Burn off fires	< 1

Unreported	< 1
Unreported	5
Unreported	Unknown
Unreported	< 1
Unreported	< 1

Mundaring 29/04/2025 KBDI 185, SDI 175

Drought Factor 9.7

Mundaring KBDI



FIREBREAK AND FUEL LOAD NOTICE



Bush Fires Act 1954 - Section 33

Notice to all owners and occupiers of land situated within the Shire of Mundaring

Pursuant to section 33(1) of the Bush Fires Act 1954, the Shire of Mundaring (the Shire) gives notice that the owners and/or occupiers of the land district are required to undertake the following works on land owned or occupied by them. This must be done by 1 November each year and maintained until 31 March the year following.

DEFINITIONS WITHIN THIS NOTICE

<u>Authorised Officer</u> - means an employee of the Shire appointed as a Bush Fire Control Officer, pursuant to the powers conferred in *section 38* of the *Bush Fires Act* 1954.

Trafficable - means to be able to travel from one point to another in an emergency services vehicle on a clear surface, unhindered, without any obstruction that may endanger such vehicles. It must not terminate, lead to a dead end, nor have any pinch points without provision for egress to a safe place, or a cleared turnaround area of not less than an 18-metre diameter.

<u>Vertical Clearance</u> - means a continuous, uninterrupted vertical line at a right angle to the horizontal baseline of the firebreak, to a minimum height of 4 metres from the ground.

Firebreak - means a strip or area of ground, with a minimum width of 3 metres but no wider than 4 metres, and a vertical clearance of 4 metres, immediately inside all external boundaries of any lot and constructed to a trafficable surface, that is kept and maintained clear of all flammable and combustible material. This includes the pruning and removal of any living or dead trees, scrub, or any other material encroaching onto it or into the vertical clearance of the firebreak area. Firebreaks may be constructed by one or more of the following methods: ploughing, cultivating, scarifying, raking, burning, chemical spraying, blowing, or other methods as approved by an Authorised Officer.

<u>Flammable Material</u> - means any substance that will catch fire easily without contact with flames or with a low ignition point, such as but not limited to, petrol or liquefied petroleum gas.

<u>Combustible Material</u> - means any fine fuels, plant, tree, grass, substance, object, thing, or material that may or is likely to catch fire and burn or any other thing deemed by an Authorised Officer to be capable of combustion.

<u>Fuel Depot / Fuel Storage Area</u> - means an area of land, a building, or a structure where fuel, i.e. (petrol, diesel, kerosene, liquid gas, or any other fossil fuel) is kept in any container or vessel.

Fuel Loads

<u>Fine Fuel Loads</u> - means the leaf litter on the ground, including leaves, twigs (up to 6mm in diameter), and bark.

A fine fuel load depth of 5mm from the top of the layer to the mineral earth beneath indicates approximately 2 tonnes per hectare. A fine fuel load depth of 15mm from the top of the layer to the mineral earth beneath indicates approximately 8 tonnes per hectare.

Coarse Fuel Loads - means twigs, branches (6mm or larger in diameter), logs, etc.

Maintaining Fuel Loads - relates to managing fuel loads described in this Notice. Reducing fuel load levels does not necessarily require the removal of existing natural vegetation. A combination of methods can be utilised, including planned burning, raking, weed removal, pruning, and/or removing dead plant material.

<u>Managed Vegetation</u> - includes vegetation that is pruned away from buildings, under pruned to minimise contact with ground fuels, and that is kept free of dead suspended matter such as twigs, leaves, and bark.

<u>Habitable Buildings</u> - means any building or other dwelling suitable for human residency, occupation, or use within an already existing Asset Protection Zone. This includes attached or adjacent structures such as garages, carports, verandas, or similar roofed structures that are attached to, or within 6 metres, of the dwelling or primary building.

Asset Protection Zone (APZ) - is an area of very low fuel levels surrounding a habitable building extending to a minimum of 20 metres out from any external walls of the building, attached structures, or adjacent structures within 6 metres of that building. On sloping ground, it shall increase at 1 metre for every degree in slope on the sides of the habitable building that are exposed to downslope natural vegetation.

- 1. The Land owner (or occupier) is required to do the following
- 1.1 All land with an area of up to 5,000sqm, with a building on it must
 - a) Maintain all grass on the land to a height no greater than 5cm.
 - b) Maintain fuel loads in natural bush areas at less than 8 tonnes per hectare across the land.
 - c) Maintain an APZ in line with the requirements of section 1.6 of this Notice.
- 1.2 All land with an area of <u>5,000sqm up to 50,000sqm</u> (5 Hectares) with a building on it must

- a) Maintain all grass on the land to a height no greater than 5cm.
- b) Install a firebreak around all structures outside of the APZ and immediately inside all external boundaries of the land.
- c) Maintain an APZ in line with the requirements of section 1.6 of this Notice.
- d) Maintain fuel loads outside an APZ in natural bush areas at less than 8 tonnes per hectare across the land.

1.3 All land with an area of 50,000sqm or greater, with a building on it must

- a) Maintain all grass to a height no greater than 5cm for a distance of 10m from any firebreak.
- b) All other grasses within the area must be managed by slashing or effective grazing by livestock or as directed by an Authorised Officer.
- c) Install a firebreak around all structures outside of the APZ and immediately inside all external boundaries of the land.
- d) Maintain fuel loads in natural bush areas at less than 8 tonnes per hectare across the land.
- e) Maintain an APZ in line with the requirements of section 1.6 of this Notice.

1.4 All vacant land with an area of less than 2,000sqm

a) Ensure all grass is maintained on the land to a height no greater than 5cm and that fuel loads in natural bush areas are maintained to less than 8 tonnes per hectare across the land.

1.5 All vacant land with an area greater than 2,000sqm must

- a) Install a firebreak immediately inside all external boundaries of the land.
- b) All land with an area of less than 50,000sqm (5 Hectares), all grass must be maintained on the land to a height no greater than 5cm.
- c) All land with an area of 50,000sqm (5 Hectares) or greater, the grass must be maintained on the land to a height no greater than 5cm for a distance of 10 metres from any firebreak, and all other grasses managed by slashing or effective grazing by livestock or as directed by an Authorised Officer.
- d) Maintain fuel loads in natural bush areas to less than 8 tonnes per hectare across the land.

1.6 Asset Protection Zone Specification

- a) Maintain all grass on the land to a height no greater than 5cm.
- b) Fuel loads maintained at 2 tonnes per hectare or lower.
- c) Clear separation between adjoining or nearby tree crowns.
- d) Small group/s of trees within close proximity to one another may be treated as one crown provided the combined crowns do not exceed the area of a large or mature crown size for that species.

- e) No trees/shrubs over 2 metres high are to be within 2 metres of a habitable building.
- f) Trees and shrubs must be under-pruned to a minimum height of 2 metres from the ground.
- g) Shrubs over 2 metres high must not be planted in groups close to habitable buildings, ensuring there is a gap of at least three times the height (at maturity) of the shrub away from habitable buildings.
- h) Ensure no part of a tree overhangs any buildings.
- i) Gutters are free of fine fuels and other flammable/combustible materials.
- j) Roofs and walls of all buildings within an APZ on the land are free of fine fuels and other flammable/combustible material. Including wood piles against building walls and flammable/combustible materials against that building or stored under pole-framed houses.
- k) Ensure paths and non-flammable features immediately adjacent to habitable buildings are installed.
- Wood piles and flammable materials are stored at a safe distance from habitable buildings.

1.7 Fuel Depot /Storage Area, Haystacks / Stockpiled Flammable Material

- a) Remove all flammable/combustible material within 10 metres of where it is stored.
- b) Install a firebreak immediately adjacent to any haystacks or stockpiled flammable material.

1.8 Application to vary the above Requirements/Arrangements

An application to vary any of the above requirements can be made to the Shire to implement measures in the case of topographic or environmental obstructions. This will be assessed by an Authorised Officer and will be granted for a time period as decided by the Authorised Officer assessing your application. If approved you must still comply with the other sections of this notice. If not approved, your property is still required to comply with this notice. Bushfire Management Plans, Bushfire Management Statements, or Fuel Load Management Plans, approved by the Shire to reduce and mitigate fire hazards within a particular subdivision, lot, or other area of land anywhere in the district, are also included.

1.9 Additional Works

- a) All driveways must be clear of flammable material and accessible to allow for the safe access and egress of emergency services vehicles, as deemed by the Authorised Officer.
- b) In addition to the requirements of this Notice, you may be required to carry out further works that are considered necessary by an Authorised Officer and,

specified by way of a separate written notice forwarded to the address of the owner/s, as shown on the Shire rates record for the relevant land.

The Shire advises that its officers, servants, workmen, contractors, vehicles, machinery, and appliances (as the officers deem fit) may carry out the requisitions of this notice that are not complied with by the date specified above. Any costs and expenses incurred may be recovered from you as the owner and/or occupier of the land.

The penalty for failing or neglecting to comply with this Notice is a fine not exceeding \$5000, and a person in default is also liable, whether prosecuted or not, to pay the costs of performing the work directed by this Notice if it is not carried out by the owner and/or occupier by the date required by this Notice.

Supplementary requirements to this notice

Section 24F and 24G (Restricted Burning Period)

Burning of Garden Refuse

- a) A 1 sqm pile of garden refuse may be burnt at any one time, between 6 pm and 11 pm without a permit and must be fully extinguished by midnight. Fully extinguished means no heat, smoke, steam, or white ash being present where the fire was situated.
- b) Have an adequate water supply that can reach the pile and beyond in the event of escape.
- c) No more than one pile of garden refuse is to be burnt at any one time.
- d) If the Fire Danger Rating for Swan Inland North is HIGH and above, or if winds exceed 15kmp/h NO burning is allowed.
- e) One able-bodied adult must be in attendance at all times
- f) All other burning before this time requires a Permit to Burn

If the requirements of this Notice are carried out by burning, such burning must be in accordance with the relevant provisions of the *Bush Fires Act 1954*.

By order of the Council.

Jason Whiteaker

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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For Information on Property and Personal Preparedness scan below



Or visit https://engage.mundaring.wa.gov.au/emergencyresponse-recovery

6.2 Review of Policy HCS-01, Bush Fire/Long Service and Outstanding Service Awards

File Code

Author

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Senior Employee

Shane Purdy, Director Built & Natural Environment

Nil

Interest

Attachments

1. Attachment 1 - Bush Fire Service Long Service and Outstanding Service Awards REVIEWED

PURPOSE

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee members were invited to consider the review of Policy HCS-01 "Bush Fire Service – Long Service and Outstanding Service Awards". This report seeks the committee to note and acknowledge proposed changes to the Policy

BACKGROUND

Council adopted HCS-01 in September 2017. This policy has not been reviewed since its adoption. The policy has now been reviewed and updated.

STATUTORY / LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Shire of Mundaring Council Plan 2024 - 2034

Objective 5 - Sustainable Communities

Outcome 5.2 - Grow participation in volunteering.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

RISK IMPLICATIONS

Risk : Potential for poor governance and missed recognition of Shire of Mundaring Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade members.		
Likelihood	Consequence	Rating
Rare	Insignificant	Low
Action / Strategy		

Up-to-date policies encourage good governance, ensuring transparency, accountability, effectiveness and efficiency

CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS

The Council Decision will be communicated in the following way/s.

Direct to stakeholder/s	Х
Website article/ post	
Social media post	
Print article/ media release	
E-newsletter/ Community update	
Advertisement	
Nil	

EXTERNAL CONSULTATION

An email was sent to all BFAC Committee Members on 18 March 2025, with the Policy and a feedback template attached for Captains to forward to their Brigade Leadership or wider membership for comment by 18 April 2025.

COMMENT

Since the 2017 review, no issues have been raised with the current Policy. One submission was received suggesting the inclusion of a Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer on the panel, alongside the addition of a third elected member who sits on the Bush Fire Advisory Committee (BFAC), in accordance with the committee's Terms of Reference. All proposed changes have been marked up and are shown in Attachment 1.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee notes and acknowledges the proposed changes and endorses the submission to the Governance Committee for consideration as part of the review process.

Shire of Mundaring

POLICY

BUSH FIRE SERVICE – LONG SERVICE AND OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARDS

Policy Ref:	HCS-01		
Adopted by:	C08.03.11	Date:	March 2011
Reviewed:	C4.09.17	Date:	MayAugust 2025 17
Procedure Ref: Statute Ref:	CSEM-01 n/a	Delegation Ref:	n/a
Local Law Ref:	n/a		

PURPOSE

To grant awards and life membership to registered members of the Shire of Mundaring Bush Fire Service for:

- long service, and/or
- outstanding service to the Shire of Mundaring Bush Fire Service.

POLICY

Life membership of the Shire of Mundaring Bush Fire Service shall be granted to a person who has served as a registered member of any Shire of Mundaring Brigade or Brigades for not less than fifteen years.

The Shire of Mundaring Bush Fire Service Outstanding Service Award shall be granted to a person who has served as a registered member of any Brigade or any Brigades and who has, in the opinion of a selection panel of persons being members of the Bush Fire Advisory Committee (BFAC), given outstanding service to the Shire of Mundaring Bush Fire Service.

1. LONG SERVICE

For the purpose of this policy Long Service of fifteen years is defined as follows:

 Fifteen years' service as a registered and active member_of a Shire of Mundaring Bush Fire Brigade or Brigades, Such service need not be continuous but must aggregate to fifteen years.

Time accumulated in service to brigades outside of Shire of Mundaring will not be considered for this award.

2. OUTSTANDING SERVICE

Outstanding service is considered to consist of, but not be limited to any of the following:

- Extensive participation in community education initiatives;
- Demonstration of leadership in the attraction and retention of brigade membership;
- Demonstration of leadership and skills in response to major incidents;
- Application of skills and leadership in brigade administration and financial growth;
- Demonstration of leadership and interpersonal skills in the training of brigade members; and/or
- Significant participation in and contribution to district, regional or state committees or agencies involved with the management of bush fire.

3. OUTCOME

The Chief Executive Officer, on behalf of Council, will grant the Long Service Award and Life Membership in accordance with this policy upon receipt of a nomination from a brigade and confirmation of the length of service of the intended recipient.

The Chief Executive Officer will grant the Outstanding Service Award and Life Membership in accordance with this policy upon receipt of a nomination from a brigade and endorsed by the selection panel.

4. SELECTION PANEL

The selection panel shall consist of:

- The Chief Bushfire Control Officer;
- A Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer (assigned to that brigade)
- The threewo elected members appointed to the Bush Fire Advisory Committee;
- One employee appointed by the CEO; and
- One member of BFAC who is a Captain of a Shire of Mundaring Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade.

6.3 Update - Bush Fire Risk Management Officer

Attachments 1. BRMO Report 28 April 2025

2. BCOE Community Day Brief

PURPOSE

To brief the Committee on Shire of Mundaring progress against its Bushfire Risk Management Plan as per the Bushfire Risk Management Officer (BRMO) Quarterly Update (with amendments as 28 April 2025) and note the Bushfire Centre of Excellence Community Day brief for feedback.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee notes and provides feedback on the BRMO Quarterly update (with amendments as 28 April 2025) and note the Bushfire Centre of Excellence Community Day brief for feedback.



Bushfire Risk Management Officer (BRMO) Quarterly Update, 31/03/25



BFAC update 28/04/25

1. Bushfire Risk Management Plan (BRMP) and Bushfire Area Access Strategy (BAAS)

- BRMP 2025-2030: Plan endorsed by Office of Bushfire Risk Management (OBRM), and approved by Council at their May meeting.
- BAAS: Reviewed Strategy, informed by updated audit data, to be presented to Council in May.
- OBRM: annual report 2023-2024 submitted. 2023-2024 mitigation spend: Shire 32% + MAF 68%.

2. Stakeholder Relations

Stakeholder Relations Plan Summary available on request.

- DBCA attended annual presentation, 27/08/24.
- DoE (DFES) ongoing liaison with DFES Bushfire Risk Management Liaison Officer.
- DPLH (DFES) as per CESM mitigation plan.
- MRWA no pre-season 2024-2025 held as no response to request.
- WaterCorp pre-season meeting held, 28/08/24, and ongoing liaison.
- Telecommunications Agencies adding contacts to this process.

Other Agencies 'as required' and / or via Shire's FHIO / FPO.

3. Community Engagement Inform Consult Involve Collaborate Empower

Opportunity for discussion

In partnership with DFES, Roleystone Karragullen VBFB have been running "Brew with a Burner" – which has proved popular and worthwhile as an engagement exercise. For consideration:

- Shoutout to all Brigades, we work those interested to tee up a date and local café.
- DFES will attend with resources, Brigade will need to have a few volunteers (2-4) there along with a Shire representative (approximately 2 hours).
- DFES will pay for the coffees for the first one, if the Brigade finds it useful and would like to continue on a monthly / quarterly / 6-monthly basis we can work with them to assist.
- In relation to the name we are not allowed to use "Brew with a Burner"... thoughts include (and open to ideas): Cuppa with the Crew | Brew with the Crew | Perc & Prep

Bushfire Centre of Excellence Community Day (Collaborate)

- Date/Time: Sunday 12 October, 2025, 10am to 3pm
- Venue: Mundaring Arena + Mundaring Pavilion / Oval

An opportunity for a high level of Brigade, and Shire, participation (refer email 15/04/25).

Fire and Emergency Public Education Program (Inform & INSPIRE)

 Preparation of a plan to formalise the current engagement works being undertaken, to identify gaps and to ascertain what additional methods could be utilised. Draft document 75% complete, discussion draft will be shared for feedback.

Volunteer Recruitment (facilitate to Empower)

- Individual videos shared with each Brigade for their own recruitment drives.
- Collaborative Recruitment Campaign Action Plan to be reviewed following a call for feedback from Brigades. No feedback to date, further call for updates to Recruitment Pack.

Bush Fire Ready Groups / Community Initiatives (Collaborate)

- Mundaring Community Men's Shed bushfire chat, 19/03/25.
- Mundaring Fire School supported second Firewise Gardening in WA workshop, well received again, kudos to George for the initiative and all the volunteer hours invested, 23/03/25.

Fire Hazard Inspections

The Shire's two Fire Hazard Inspection Officers (FHIO) have undertaken 264 inspections during the reporting quarter.

Voluntary		Targeted	Property Sale	
	12	24 (incl. 23 10-day notices)	228	

4. Mitigation Works

Mitigation Activity Funding Summary

23-24 \$740,000.00	22-23 \$499,146.12	21-22 \$499,968.54
20-21 \$331,596.00	• 19-20 \$308,082.91	18-19 \$166,288.00

• MAF 24-25 \$327,500 approved. Nineteen treatments, six locations:

1. Christmas Tree Creek, Parkerville

- Firebreaks x 3.8km, Mechanical Works x 7.9ha and Chemical Works x 7.9ha.
- No Aboriginal Cultural Heritage approval required.
- Works scheduled for April/May once dried out.

2. Railway Reserve Heritage Trail - Old Sawyers to Sawyers Road, Sawyers Valley

- Section 2, Firebreaks x 1.1km and Mechanical Works x 0.9ha.
- Section 3, Firebreaks x 1.5km, Mechanical Works x 0.8ha and Chemical Works x 0.8ha.
- Section 4, Firebreaks x 6.2km, Mechanical Works x 4.5ha and Chemical Works x 4.5ha.
- No Aboriginal Cultural Heritage approval required.
- Works underway, scheduled for completion by end of May.

3. Railway Reserve Heritage Trail - Railway Terrace to Keane Street West, Mount Helena

- Firebreaks x 1.9km and Mechanical Works x 4.0ha.
- No Aboriginal Cultural Heritage approval required.
- Works to be undertaken in March/April.

4. Railway Reserve Heritage Trail - Stoneville Road to Sexton Street, Sawyers Valley

- Mechanical Works x 9ha.
- Aboriginal Cultural Heritage approval received.
- Works scheduled for mid-April.

5. Superblock, Glen Forrest

- Firebreaks x 6.7km and Mechanical Works x 8ha (property border).
- Aboriginal Cultural Heritage approval received.
- Variation granted due to forecast underspend:
 Ignition Management x 3 gates (installation in April) and Chemical Works along breaks (April/May).

6. Quarry Court, Glen Forrest

- Variation granted to undertake Stage One works (fire breaks x 1.7km).
- No Aboriginal Cultural Heritage approval required.
- Stage Two (fuel load reduction along breaks) will be finalised through FPO Works.

• MAF 25-26 (24 treatments / 14 locations), request submitted for \$463,019.80

- 1. Bega-Burton Reserves: CW 0.5ha
- 2. Binbrook Park: FB 2km / MW 1.9ha
- 3. Bunning Road: (verges) MW 7km x 2 (≈5.7ha)
- 4. Chidlow Playgroup: FB 1.1km / MW 0.57ha
- 5. Chidlow Primary School: FB .75km / MW 1.4ha

6. Clifton Park PB 5ha

- 7. Falls Park: FB 3.2km / MW 2ha
- 8. Mandoon Close: FB 0.2km / MW 0.6ha
- 9. Marnie Road Verges MW 1.5ha
- 10. Marshwood Jamroz FART 0.5km
- 11. Milligan Park: FB 2.5km / MW 2.5ha / CW 11.3ha

12. Mundaring Arena: MW 2.6ha / FB 0.3km

13. Nan McMillan (extended R28501): FB 0.9km / MW 0.4ha / IM (2 gates)

14. Quail Street Reserve: FB 10.4km

15. R38367 (north of Rosedale Road) FB 2.4km / MW 6.7km

• Fire Protection Officer (FPO) Mitigation Program works completed 01/01/25 to 31/03/25

Alice Rd Fire Water Tank
 Brookside Park, Parkerville
 Coothalie Rd, Chidlow Stage 1
 Coothalie Rd, Chidlow Stage 2
 Spraying
 Spraying

Elliott to Bernard
 Forestry mulching

Hensmen Rd, Chidlow SlashingJarrah Rd, Stoneville Slashing

Kintore Rd Reserve Forestry mulching (firebreaks)
 Lake Lesch Track repairs and forestry mulching

Mucciarone Lane, Parkerville
 Forestry mulching

Old Northam Road Spraying

Parkerville Playgroup
 Forestry mulching

RRHT Sandover to Pine Terrace, Darlington
 RRHT Sawyers Valley - Section 2
 RRHT Stoneville to Sexton (Southern side)
 Stoneville Rd
 Spraying

Wedgetail Circle fire access route
 Forestry mulching

5. Other Funding Opportunities

National Disaster Risk Reduction (NDRR) 2024-25 successful

- Ref: NDRR2425-014, \$139,671 project, \$69,720 requested.
- Static Water Supplies Support Community Safety three 60,000 litre static water tanks, one with a community mural to support a community awareness campaign.
- Site Preparation / Pad Installation complete.

Tank Installation / Plumbing - complete (cage installation pending).

Mural Workshop and Selection – complete.

Mural Installation – complete.

Promotion – including callout for feedback – complete.

Acquittal – due 11/06/2025.

Oisaster Ready Fund (DRF) Round Two (2024) successful

- Ref: DRF2425-080, Evacuation Centre Power Redundancy Project (generator at The Arena), \$91,235 requested (+ \$91,235 contribution).
- Status: underway.

Incident Control Centre Upgrades

 Refer to Community Emergency Services Manager and Manager Community Services & Emergency Management.

Mobile Black Spot Program (Rnd 8 2025)

Refer to Manager Community Services & Emergency Management.

Projects Under Discussion / Development

- Community Preparedness Message Boards two mobile VMS for Brigade use (\$60,000).
- Emergency Response Trailer Animal Welfare (\$15,000).

Project Ideas

- Brigade Calendar (financial year) for Brigade promotion and ProPer Prep messaging.
- Bushfire Area Access Strategy works.
- Community Preparedness VR Goggles.
- Equipment, ie drones, dashcams, mobile CCTV.
- Firewise Garden, Mundaring Fire School.
- Generators Boya Community Centre, Brown Park and Mundaring Police Station.
- Jane Brook and / or Wooroloo Brook management plan and works.
- Mobile Network Hardening Program (Rnd 3 closed 20/12 refer Councillors).
- Mobile Power Facilities (refer Councillors).
- Public awareness video, multi-layered walk-through of an incident.
- Telecommunications.

Council Brief: DFES Bushfire Community Day

- Sunday 12 October 2025
- Mundaring Arena

The Bushfire Community Day is an annual event, lead by DFES, which has been running for four years, offering residents the opportunity to engage and learn about bushfire preparedness and risk awareness. It focuses on promoting all aspects of bushfire safety, particularly the actions individuals need to take ahead of each fire season. Exhibitors provide essential information, tools and guidance to support community preparedness.

In 2024, DFES partnered for the first time with a Local Government, the City of Kalamunda, to co-host the event at the Kalamunda Community Centre, attracting over 2,500 attendees.

Interactive experiences included meeting firefighters, handling fire hoses, exploring fire trucks and a virtual RAC Rescue Helicopter ride. A dedicated Bushfire Preparedness marquee, featuring DFES, Local Government, the Bureau of Meteorology, Australian Red Cross, and other agencies, offered expert advice on bushfire preparedness, Fire Danger Ratings and property preparation. Attendees engaged in Burn Smart demonstrations, witnessed burn-over drills and participated in a Virtual Reality session simulating a bushfire scenario. Over 70% of attendees reported feeling more prepared as a result of the event.

Extensive media coverage on TV, radio and in The Echo Newspaper amplified the event's key messages. Collaboration between DFES, the City of Kalamunda and local volunteers ensured its success.

Following strong interest from Local Governments and advocacy by the Shire of Mundaring's Fire and Emergency Management team, the Shire of Mundaring has been confirmed as the 2025 host. Regular planning meetings have begun, to build another impactful event.

https://news.dfes.wa.gov.au/media-releases-feature-stories/bushfire-community-day-2024/

6.4 Update - CESM Mundaring / Chief Bush Fire Control Officer

File Code	GV.MTG 6.5	
Attachments	1. CESM Report May 2025	

PURPOSE

To brief the Committee on update report provided by Tom Belger, Acting CESM / Chief Bush Fire Control Officer provided May 2025.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

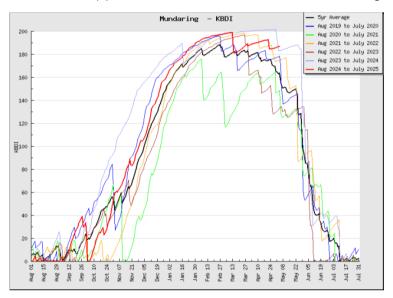
That the Committee notes the updated report CESM / Chief Bush Fire Control Officer report.

SHIRE OF MUNDARING BFAC 14 MAY 2025

CBFCO/CESM REPORT

PREVENTION

- The Shire of Mundaring is in the Restricted Burning Period. As at the time of writing (5 May 2025), the Keetch–Byram Drought Index (KBDI), Soil Dryness Index (SDI) and DF Forest readings all remain high, indicating critically dry soils, vegetation, and fuels. These conditions present a high risk of erratic fire behaviour and escape. Further rainfall is needed before it will be safe to commence issuing permits for running fire or larger burns. Some test burning on smaller areas will be conducted by the Shire and DFES before permits are issued.
- There has been one (1) Total Fire Ban declared since the last BFAC meeting.



PREPAREDNESS

- Dual mobilisation remains in place for Wooroloo now mobilising Chidlow, and Sawyers as backup.
- DFES Bushfire Mitigation Branch are planning for this coming burn program.

PLANNED HAZARD REDUCTION BURNS FOR 2025 - 2029			
BURN CELL	BURN PLAN	SIZE (HA)	COMMENTS
Forrest Ave, Mundaring	YES	10.7	Fire break upgraded ACH
Liberton Rd, Chidlow (Western side of Liberton Rd)	YES	390	Burn cells on western side of Liberton Rd to be completed
Malabar Rd, Sawyers Valley 2X cells	YES	7.5	
O'Conner Rd, Mahogany Creek X3 cells	YES	94.7	АСН
Sawyer Rd, Sawyers Valley X3 cells	YES	10	Priority
Whitlam St, Mt Helena	YES	375	Partial completion
Sawyers Rd, Mt Helena	YES	10.56	
Stoneleigh Rd, Sawyers Valley	YES	6.12	

Mayo Rd, Wooroloo	YES	6.62	
Nelson Rd, Darlington (Cell 5) of Darlington super parcel prescription	YES	44.9	ACH
Great Eastern HWY, Lakes	PROGRESS ING	97	Burn plan to be completed
Oakleigh Rd, Darington (Cell 2) of Darlington super parcel prescription	YES	24	АСН
TOTAL (HA)		1077.1	

RESPONSE

All Incidents

From Date: 26/02/2025 To Date: 29/04/2025

LG Area: MUNDARING (S)

Suburb/Town: All

Bushfire (Ige) is any vegetation fire larger than 1 hectare

Incident Type	2025
Called Off - No Attendance	2
False Alarm - System Initiated	1
False Call - Good Intent	36
Fire - Bushfire (Ige)	5
Fire - Bushfire (sml)	16
Fire - Other/Rubbish/Vehicle	13
Fire - Structure	4
Hazardous Situation	5
Natural Hazard	18
Not Reported	3
Rescue & Medical	2
Road Crash & Rescue	9
Total	114

For all Bushfires, of any size.

A bushfire is uncontrolled fire to bush, grass, scrub, forest or any other vegetation; of any size.

	2024/2025
Total Number of Bushfires:	21
Unreported	9
Reignition of previous fire	4
Burn off fires	2
Power lines	1
Weather Conditions (High winds, natural combustion etc. Excludes Lightning)	1
Weather Conditions - Lightning	1
Suspicious/Deliberate	1
Campfires/bonfires/outdoor cooking	1
Sleeping/Alcohol/Drugs/Physical-Mental impairment	1

Incident No	Date / Time	Suburb	Street	Ignition Cause	Size (hect)
711496	02/03/2025 02:19	THE LAKES	GREAT SOUTHERN HWY	Reignition of previous fire	< 1
711950	06/03/2025 55:21	SAWYERS VALLEY	SEXTON ST	Power lines	< 1
712199	09/03/2025 30:14	MOUNT HELENA	CADE ST	Weather Conditions (High winds, natural combustion etc. Excludes Lightning)	3
714060	26/03/2025 44:04	THE LAKES	GREAT SOUTHERN HWY	Reignition of previous fire	< 1
714576	30/03/2025 19:04	BAILUP	SQUARCINI CL	Weather Conditions - Lightning	< 1
714579	30/03/2025 34:04	DARLINGTON	VICTOR RD	Unreported	< 1
714613	30/03/2025 07:11	BAILUP	SQUARCINI CL	Reignition of previous fire	1
714822	01/04/2025 07:02	MIDVALE	MORRISON RD	Suspicious/Deliberate	< 1
715357	04/04/2025 06:11	BAILUP	SQUARCINI CL	Reignition of previous fire	Unreported
715603	06/04/2025 53:06	GREENMOUNT	GREENMOUNT LOOKOUT	Campfires/bonfires/outdoor cooking	< 1
715697	06/04/2025 46:17	HELENA VALLEY	HELENA VALLEY RD	Sleeping/Alcohol/Drugs/Physical- Mental impairment	< 1
716333	10/04/2025 16:01	STONEVILLE	BENTLEY ST	Unreported	< 1
716628	11/04/2025 37:09	MOUNT HELENA	OLIVER ST	Burn off fires	< 1

716892	12/04/2025 50:12	SAWYERS VALLEY		Unreported	< 1
717772	16/04/2025 39:17	PARKERVILLE	VISTA DR	Unreported	< 1
718459	19/04/2025 20:18	MOUNT HELENA	OSBORNE ST	Burn off fires	< 1
718501	20/04/2025 53:02	DARLINGTON	BOYA QUARRY	Unreported	< 1
718567	20/04/2025 43:13	MALMALLING	YETAR RD	Unreported	5
718789	21/04/2025 22:12	SAWYERS VALLEY	BAMBROOK ST	Unreported	Unreported
718900	22/04/2025 31:05	MOUNT HELENA	OSBORNE ST	Unreported	< 1
720463	28/04/2025 25:14	GLEN FORREST	GREAT EASTERN HWY	Unreported	< 1

6.5 Update - Department of Fire and Emergency Services

File Code	GV.MTG 6.5
Attachments	1. DO NE Report 1 May 2025

PURPOSE

That an update be provided from Department Fire Emergency Services provided Jamie O'Neill A/District Officer North East 1 May 2025.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee notes the update provided by the Department of Fire and Emergency Services provided Jamie O'Neill A/District Officer North East 1 May 2025.

District Officer North East BFAC Report (May 2025)

Acknowledgements

I would like to begin by thanking all the Brigades and Brigade leadership for their efforts over the last fire season. Your hard work and dedication are deeply appreciated by DFES and the greater community.

Protecting Our Communities (POC) Program Update

The Shire of Mundaring, in collaboration with DFES, is progressing disaster resilience enhancements under the Protecting Our Communities program.

Works include upgrades to:

- · Chidlow Recreation Ground,
- Parkerville Oval Pavilion, and
- The Shire Depot.

These upgrades aim to support scalable Incident Control Centres and improve mobile communications, enhancing emergency response capabilities throughout the Perth Hills.

Prison Site Visits

I am currently coordinating a site visit to Wooroloo Prison for the leadership groups of our volunteer brigades, with a similar visit to Acacia Prison to be arranged.

The purpose of these visits is to:

- · Support basic area familiarisation,
- · Provide an opportunity for face-to-face engagement with key prison staff, and
- Enhance understanding of access processes and procedures during incident response.

Sector Commander Course

The Sector Commander course is scheduled for 19–20 July 2025.

In preparation:

- We are awaiting confirmation of dates for the prerequisite Machine Supervision course to be held at Mundaring Fire School, and
- Participants are required to complete the online Map Interpretation module prior to attending.

Darlington SOSF 2.4 Mitigation Appliance

Following the High Threat Period, State Logistics and Fleet have approved the Darlington SOSF 2.4 as the key mitigation heavy appliance for the NE Metro Region.

Key points:

- The vehicle is designated solely for mitigation purposes and cannot be used for response unless expressly approved by the Superintendent of the Bushfire Mitigation Branch.
- BRMO/CESM will manage the use and priorities of the vehicle.
- The appliance will be based predominantly at Darlington BFB for maintenance and crewed to support UCL/UMR and Local Government burns across the metropolitan area
- The appliance remains under DFES management and may be reallocated between brigades at the DO/CESM's discretion.
- The Shire team is welcome to use and crew the vehicle as required.
- There is potential for Section 95 crews to use the appliance to support DFES burns for patrol and mop-up activities, with temporary housing at Wooroloo Prison if needed.

We are very grateful for Darlington BFB's support in housing, maintaining, and crewing this valuable mitigation resource.

6.6 Schedule of Pending Items

File Code	GV.MTG 6.5	
Attachments	Nil	

PURPOSE

This report item includes a range of actions identified by the BFAC for future action and reporting.

COMMENT

Pending actions are discussed at each meeting and relate to matters being investigated by committee members or officers prior to final consideration.

REF NO.	ACTION	BY WHOM	TIME FRAME
1	Wooroloo Bush Fire Enquiry Recommendations	Craig Cuthbert	Ongoing
2	Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade Register of Cancer Incidents – Updates from DFES	Craig Cuthbert	Ongoing
3	Australian Fire Danger Rating System	Craig Cuthbert	Ongoing

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee note any updates from the items included in the schedule of pending items.

6.7 Infringements and Prosecutions

File Code	GV.MTG 6.5
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Attachments Nil

PURPOSE

That the Committee notes the updates to the Infringements and Prosecutions below.

CAUTIONS

29/04/2025	Bushfires Act 1954 s18(6)	Sawyers Valley
05/05/2024	Bushfires Act 1954 s18(6)	Chidlow

INFRINGEMENTS

01/05/2024	Bushfires Act 1954 s18(6)	Glen Forrest	\$250.00
02/05/2024	Bushfires Act 1954 s18(6)	Glen Forrest	\$250.00
02/05/2024	Bushfires Act 1954 s18(6)	Glen Forrest	\$250.00
30/04/2025	Bushfires Act 1954 s18(6)	Wooroloo	\$250.00
16/03/2025	Bushfires Act 1954 s18(6)	Chidlow	\$250.00

PROSECUTIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee notes the above Infringements and Prosecutions information.

6.8 Community Engagement

File Code	GV.MTG 6.5	
Attachments	Nil	

SUMMARY

That the Committee reviews the Community Engagement update as advised.

22/03/25	Community Preparedness Mural Unveiling thank you to Chidlow, Darling Range and Sawyers Valley for your assistance, and Mt Helena and Wooroloo for your attendance	Shire of Mundaring
22/03/25	Community Preparedness Survey (shared via hard copy, email and socials), thank you to Glen Forrest and Sawyers Valley for sharing	Shire of Mundaring
23/03/25	Firewise Garden Presentation	George & Rohan with Shire support
4/4/2025	WA Community Disaster Resilience Strategy plan	DVBFBBRG Kate

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee notes the community engagement update as detailed.

7.0 URGENT BUSINESS (LATE REPORTS)

8.0 CLOSING PROCEDURES

8.1 Date, Time and Place of the Next Meeting

The next Bush Fire Advisory Committee meeting will be held on 13 August 2025, 7:00pm at Shire of Mundaring Administration, CIVIC area.

8.2 Closure of the Meeting