



CONFIRMED MINUTES BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

27 MARCH 2019

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Advisory Committee held 27 March 2019 were confirmed on 22
May 2019.

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Presiding Member



**CONFIRMED MINUTES
BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
27 MARCH 2019**

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To assist the reader, the following explains the method of referencing used in this document:

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Item Numbers	8.1 (8.2, 8.3 etc)	Sequential numbering of reports under the heading "8.0 Reports of Officers"
Committee Recommendation Reference	BFAC11.11.16	Committee Recommendation number 11 from BFAC meeting November 2016.
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**BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
CIVIC AREA – 7.30PM**

1.0 OPENING PROCEDURES

Acknowledgment of Country

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

The presiding person declared the meeting open at 7.30pm.

1.1 Announcement of Visitors

1.2 Record of Attendance and Apologies

Members	Cr Stephen Fox	Presiding Person - East Ward
	Jamie O'Neill	CESM/CBFCO
	Gary Rowles	Deputy Chief 1
	Nigel Morgan	Deputy Chief 2
	Cameron Greaves	Deputy Chief 5
	Ricky Harvey	Captain Darlington VBFB
	Rod Teale	Captain Darling Range VBFB
	Greg Walsh	Captain Parkerville VBFB
	Adrian Woodley	Captain Sawyers Valley VBFB
	Jeff Bromilow	Captain Stoneville VBFB
	Neil Hawkins	Mundaring Firefighters School
Staff	Adrian Dyson	Manager Community Safety & Emergency Management
	Craig Cuthbert	Coordinator Community Safety & Emergency Management
	Cristy Jordan	Minute Secretary
Apologies	Brendan Scott	Captain Mt Helena VBFB
	Cr Toni Burbidge	Central Ward
	Mark Luzi	Director Statutory Services
	Daniel Heptinstall	Deputy Chief 4
	Brett Davies	Captain Chidlow VBFB
	Mark Jeans	Captain Glen Forrest VBFB
	Ross Cook	1 st Lt Stoneville
Guests	George Watkins	1 st Lt Chidlow
	Gerry Starr	1 st Lt Darlington
	Rod Reed	1 st Lt Darling Range
	Michael Hare	1 st Lt Glen Forrest
	Daniel Carapina	1 st Lt Mt Helena
	Nick Parry	Mt Helena
	Peter Weis	1 st Lt Parkerville
	Murray McBride	DFES District Officer North East

2.0 ANNOUNCEMENT BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION

3.0 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

3.1 Disclosure of Financial Interest and Proximity Interests

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 Disclosure of Interest Affecting Impartiality

Members and staff must disclose their interest in matters to be discussed at the meeting in respect of which the member or employee has given or will give advice. (Shire of Mundaring Code of Conduct, Local Government (Admin) Reg. 34C).

4.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

That the minutes of the meeting of the Bush Fire Advisory Committee held Wednesday 27 February 2019 be confirmed.

COMMITTEE DECISION		DBFAC1.03.19	
Moved by:	Jeff Bromilow	Seconded by:	Gary Rowles

CARRIED 13/0

For: Stephen Fox, Jamie O'Neill, Gary Rowles, Nigel Morgan, Cameron Greaves, Ricky Harvey, Rod Teale, Greg Walsh, Adrian Woodley, Jeff Bromilow, Neil Hawkins, Daniel Carapina, Michael Hare

Against: Nil.

5.0 PRESENTATIONS

5.1 CESM Mundaring/Chief Bush Fire Control Officer

- Prohibited Burning Period extended to April 14 2019
- While temperature are cooling we are still in fire season, currently KBDI 195 SDI 200 please remind members to be vigilant.
- Mitigation planning has commenced. We will be looking at a number of burns this year, seeking Brigade assistance. Captains will be asked for assistance through the same methods as last year, please ensure to respond to those messages. We will also be looking for a cache of resources including personnel if brigades have any interested members please advise the CBFCO.

5.2 Department Fire and Emergency Services

Murray McBride introduced himself to the BFAC attendees, giving a brief history of his time and roles as a DFES employee.

Advised the meeting that the DFES Bushfire Centre of Excellence will be located in the Murray region by the end of 2020.

SAP needs reviewing to work better for operational staff.

000 agreement between DFES and local government is currently being reviewed to determine both responsibilities.

Thanked Shire of Mundaring brigades and staff for their professionalism.

5.3 Department Parks and Wildlife

Quiet fire season for the Perth Hills district with a total of 45 fires for the season (1 July 2018 to 7 March 2019) with 12 fires within the Shire of Mundaring that P&WS attended.

Prescriptions for prescribed burns nearing completion for departmental approval ready for the autumn burning season.

- Total of 10 burns on the program for the Shire of Mundaring. Dependant on weather, resources and priorities will determine how many get undertaken. Please note: more burns are on the program than what can be undertaken

5.4 Mundaring Fire School/Training Officers Committee

Neil Hawkins reports as follows:

Again, there is little to report this month as our training season has not yet started. All the MFS courses are loaded into eAcademy and I encourage brigades to help members book training early.

Jamie and I have attended the FES Academy in Forrestfield to receive the handover of the new bushfire modules, these will be 'live' as of July this year however it is unlikely that the MFS will be providing them until the 2020 training calendar.

We will be determining the best way for Mundaring to roll out the new training, at this stage each trainer assessor will need to apply for the new rural fire modules when they are available in eAcademy. Jamie and I will then provide a handover which may include witnessing the trainer provide one of the modules. The exact process and timing will be advised as more details come to light.

An Instructors Update session will be held on 21 March 2019 and we will be providing information about the new rural fire modules and refreshing trainer assessors on a range of topics including eAcademy, completion of course documentation and training procedures.

DFES is promoting the use of 'collaborative learning' as part of trainer professional development and we will be starting to integrate these principles into our training.

With the announcement from Government that the Bushfire Centre of Excellence is going to be built at Nambeelup, near Pinjara, the School hopes to restart discussions with the Shire and Stoneville regarding the redevelopment of the MFS site.

Neil provided an update with an advice to ignore new rural fire training which is now on hold until 1 January 2020. The rollout of training will be reviewed. The new bushfire pathways is in limbo. Updates will be provided.

5.5 Attachments for Information

5.5.1 Brigade Fire Reports

5.5.2 Community Engagement

5.5.3 Infringements/Prosecutions

Adrian Dyson told the meeting that a case commenced with an infringement issued to a landowner for failure to comply with Councils Firebreak and Fuel Load Notice and fuel load and asset protection zone, with the landowners electing to have the matter heard before Midland Magistrates court. Part of the defence was the tape measure used by Fire Hazard Inspection Officer was not calibrated with the National Measuring Act, with the magistrate delaying the outcome to review by a month. The outcome was that the National Measurement Act didn't apply in this case, and the Shire was awarded \$10000. A media release will be published in an upcoming edition of the ECHO newspaper focusing on complying with the Notice.

5.5.4 Schedule of Pending Items

- (i) Adrian Dyson said that DFES Commissioner and John Tillman have reconfirmed their support for the proposed Stoneville/MFS Facility in terms of assisting with funds. A meeting between DFES and Shire staff will be held in the near future to discuss funding agreements. Adrian will approach Lotterywest to discuss further funding.
- (ii) Shire of Mundaring was awarded \$258,000 from the Mitigation Activity Fund subsequent to the Bushfire Risk Management Plan being endorsed. Contractors have already been engaged to carry out works on areas that have been identified. The BRMP treatment schedule will continue for the 5 year life of the plan. The BRMP must now be presented to Council for approval.

6.0 URGENT BUSINESS (LATE REPORTS)

Nil.

7.0 CLOSING PROCEDURES

7.1 Date, Time and Place of the Next Meeting

The next Bush Fire Advisory Committee meeting will be held on **Wednesday 22 May 2019** at 7.30pm in the Civic Area.

7.2 Closure of the Meeting

The Presiding person declared the meeting closed at 7.57pm.



ATTACHMENTS
BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
27 MARCH 2019

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5.5.2		1	Community Engagement
5.5.3		1	Infringements/Prosecutions
5.5.4		1	Schedule of Pending Items

**ATTACHMENT 5.5.1
BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING - 27 MARCH 2019
BRIGADE PRIMARY REPORTS**

REPORT NUMBER	DATE & TIME	LOCATION	CAUSE	AREA	BRIGADE ATTENDING	REPORTING OFFICER	RECOMMENDATION/OUTCOME
010/19 421035	23/01/2019 12.39	7225 Old Northam Rd Chidlow	Accidental (Power Pole Fault)	3 Hectares	Chidlow	G Watkins	Fire Extinguished Western Power Notified
011/19 421170	24/01/2019 18.13	155 Bramwell Chidlow	Accidental (Cooking Fire)	Fire Pit	Chidlow	G Watkins	Investigation Only
012/19 421647	30/01/2019 17.24	Rosedale x Stone Chidlow	N/A	N/A	Chidlow	G Watkins	Investigation Only
013/19 421801	01/02/2019 05.26	Owen Rd X Brooking Parkerville	Accidental	Vehicle Engine Bay	Parkerville	J Pinkard	Extinguished on Arrival
014/19 422057	04/02/2019 05.00	Flynn x Abercorn Chidlow	Deliberate	10 Hectares	Chidlow	G Watkins	Extinguished DPaW in Attendance
015/19 422561	08/02/2019 22.38	Kookaburra x Maslin Darlington	Re-ignition (Incident 419186)	N/A	Darlington	E Baldock	Fire Extinguished
016/19 422653	09/02/2019 17.14	10970 GEH Mundaring	Lawnmower	N/A	Mt Helena	M Castaldini	Investigation Only
017/19 422710	10/02/2019 07.00	Horton Rd The Lakes	Suspicious	2 Hectares	Chidlow	G Watkins	Extinguished DPaW in Attendance
018/19 423141	15/02/2019 14.05	60 Lakeview Chidlow	Lawnmower	20 sqm	Chidlow	M Hodder	Fire Extinguished
019/19 423325	17/02/2019 23.05	GEH Sawyers Valley	Truck Fire	Road Train Dolly	Mt Helena	P Pampling	Extinguished Police and MRD in attendance
020/19 423421	19/02/2019 11.37	Stonehouse Loop Sawyers Valley	N/A	N/A	Mt Helena	B Scott	Report of Smoke - No Fire

021/19 423783	22/02/2019 20.56	150 Alexandra Rd Hovea	JFA	N/A	Parkerville	M Bush	JFA
022/19 423857	23/02/2019 18.20	Coyne St Mt Helena	BBQ	N/A	Mt Helena	A Thredgold	Investigation Only
023/19 424026	25/02/2019 16.58	Richardson Rd Stoneville	Heat Haze	N/A	Stoneville	G Jones	Investigation Only
024/19 424047	25/02/2019 20.23	1965 Kintore Rd Parkerville	Accidental (Electrical Fault)	2 sqm	Parkerville	J Pinkard	Extinguished
025/19 424673	05/03/2019 20.48	38 Bentley St Stoneville	Western Power Fault	N/A	Stoneville	G Jones	Investigation Only Western Power in attendance
026/19 425009	08/03/2019 20.48	7 Burke St Mt Helena	JFA (Smoke from Welder)	N/A	Mt Helena	P Costall	Investigation Only

**ATTACHMENT 5.5.1
BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING - 27 MARCH 2019
BRIGADE SUPPORT REPORTS**

INCIDENT NUMBER	DATE & TIME OF FIRE	LOCATION	BRIGADE ATTENDING	REPORTING OFFICER	COMMENTS
421304	26/01/2019 23.00	184 Hawkins Rd Jandabup	Darlington	C Griffiths	Called to assist Wangara
421981	03/02/2019 11.36	10 Talbot Rd Hazelmere	Darlington	R Guyan	Called to Assist Midland
422133	04/02/2019 19.07	Clayton St Bellevue	Darlington	R Guyan	Called to Assist Midland
422057	04/02/2019 09.35	Flynn Rd Malmalling	Darlington	E Baldock	Called to Assist Chidlow
422057	04/02/2019 06.06	Flynn Rd Malmalling	Stoneville	K Ford	Called to Assist Chidlow
422057	04/02/2019 04.42	Flynn Rd Malmalling	DCBFCO1	G Rowles	Called to Assist Chidlow
422057	04/02/2019 18.00	Flynn Rd Malmalling	Wooroloo	D Burgess	Called to Assist Chidlow
422057	04/02/2019 04.53	Flynn Rd Malmalling	Mt Helena	A Bothe	Called to Assist Chidlow
422057	4/02/2019 06.37	Flynn Rd Malmalling	Darling Range	R Reed	Called to Assist Chidlow
422057	04/02/2019 04.46	Flynn Rd Malmalling	Sawyers Valley	K Woodley	Called to Assist Chidlow
422057	05/02/2019 08.14	Flynn Rd Malmalling	Sawyers Valley	K Woodley	Called to Assist Chidlow
422057	05/02/2019 08.00	Flynn Rd Malmalling	Mt Helena	P Costall	Called to Assist Chidlow
422057	05/02/2019 18.45	Flynn Rd Malmalling	Wooroloo	D Burgess	Called to Assist Chidlow
422351	06/02/2019 22.17	Gorrie Rd Sawyers Valley	Darlington	E Baldock	Called to Assist Chidlow
422351	06/02/2019 21.27	Gorrie Rd Sawyers Valley	DCBFCO1	G Rowles	Called to Assist Chidlow
422351	06/02/2019 21.45	Gorrie Rd Sawyers Valley	DCBFCO4	D Heptinstall	Called to Assist Chidlow
422351	06/02/2019 22.02	Gorrie Rd Sawyers Valley	Stoneville	B Dolphin	Called to Assist Chidlow

422351	06/02/2019 22.41	Gorrie Rd Sawyers Valley	Mt Helena	R Reed	Called to Assist Chidlow
422351	06/02/2019 22.00	Gorrie Rd Sawyers Valley	Wooroloo	D Burgess	Called to Assist Chidlow
422351	06/02/2019 22.06	Gorrie Rd Sawyers Valley	Parkerville	J Pinkard	Called to Assist Chidlow
422399	07/02/2019 16.32	Forrest Rd Haynes	Darlington	E Baldock	Called to Assist Armadale
422561	08/02/2019 22.53	Kookaburra Rd Darlington	Parkerville	J Pinkard	Called to Assist Darlington
422565	08/02/2019 00.01	Mundaring Weir Rd Mundaring	Mt Helena	P Costall	Called to Assist Sawyers Valley
422566	09/02/2019 23.50	Mundaring Weir Rd Mundaring	Stoneville	B Dolphin	Called to Assist Sawyers Valley
422668	09/02/2019 19.41	Evans St Mt Helena	Mt Helena	M Castaldini	Called to Assist Mundaring VFRS
422653	09/02/2019 17.24	GEH Mundaring	Parkerville	S Smith	Stood Down en route
422706	10/02/2019 07.21	Horton Rd The Lakes	Mt Helena	M Castaldini	Called to Assist Chidlow
422784	11/02/2019 01.17	27 Bilgoman Rd Glen Forrest	Parkerville	S Smith	Called to Assist Mundaring VFRS
422942	13/02/2019 04.10	Darlington Rd Darlington	Darlington	R Guyan	Called to Assist Midland
423141	15/02/2019 14.18	Lake View Rd Chidlow	Mt Helena	D Carapina	Called to Assist Chidlow
423266	17/02/2019 01.09	544 Great Eastern Hwy Greenmount	Darlington	D Eves	Called to Assist Midland
423421	19/02/2019 11.37	Stonehouse Loop Sawyers Valley	SoM Fire Protection	M Logan	Called to Assist DCBFCO 4
423421	19/02/2019 11.37	Stonehouse Loop Sawyers Valley	Chidlow	G Watkins	Called to Assist Mt Helena
423421	19/02/2019 11.45	Stonehouse Loop Sawyers Valley	Mt Helena	B Scott	Called to Assist Sawyers Valley
423421	19/02/2019 11.42	Stonehouse Loop Sawyers Valley	DCBFCO4	D Heptinstall	Called to Assist SoM
424047	25/02/2019 20.31	1965 Kintore Rd Parkerville	Mt Helena	A Thredgold	Called to Assist Parkerville
424616	04/03/2019 15.00	Cathedral Ave Brigadoon	Stoneville	G Rankine	Called to assist East Swan
424616	04/03/2019 15.03	Cathedral Ave Brigadoon	Parkerville	J Pinkard	Called to assist Brigadoon

**ATTACHMENT 5.5.2
BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE - 27 MARCH 2019**

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Date	Brigade	Event	Location
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HAZARD REDUCTION BURNS

Date	Event	Brigade	Location
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**ATTACHMENT 5.5.3
INFRINGEMENTS/CAUTIONS/PROSECUTIONS - 27 MARCH 2019**

INFRINGEMENTS

OFFENCE DATE	PLACE OF OFFENCE	OFFENCE	PENALTY
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CAUTIONS

OFFENCE DATE	PLACE OF OFFENCE	OFFENCE	PENALTY
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PROSECUTIONS

OFFENCE DATE	PLACE OF OFFENCE	OFFENCE	HEARING DATE/OUTCOME
12/02/2018	Stoneville	Bush Fires Act 1954 Section 33(3)	18/02/2019 Decision reserved to March 18 2019

ATTACHMENT 5.5.4
BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING – 27 MARCH 2019
SCHEDULE OF ITEMS PENDING

SUMMARY:

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

BACKGROUND:

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

COMMENT:

REF NO.	ACTION	BY WHOM	TIME FRAME
(i)	Combined Stoneville Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade/MFS Facility Proposal	Adrian Dyson	Ongoing
(ii)	BRMP Update	Adrian Dyson	Ongoing