

Chittering Bush Fire Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes 9 March 2021

To be held at Council Chambers, 6177 Great Northern Highway, Bindoon
Commencement: 7:00pm Closure: 8:40pm

MEMBERSHIP AS AT 9 JUNE 2020

Members	Deputies
Shire of Chittering Councillor Cr Carmel Ross	Shire of Chittering Councillor Cr John Curtis
Chief Executive Officer Matthew Gilfellon	Nil
Community Emergency Services Manager / Chief Bush Fire Control Officer David Carroll	Nil
Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer Southern Region David Wilson	Nil
Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer Central Region Phillip Humphry	Nil
Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer Northern Region Kim Haeusler	Nil
Bindoon Brigade representative Peter Watterston	Bindoon Brigade representative Nic Walter
Lower Chittering Brigade representative Graham Furlong	Lower Chittering Brigade representative Johan Rossouw
Muchea Brigade representative Shelly Pannell	Muchea Brigade representative Shane Robertson
Upper Chittering Brigade representative Aaron Cover	Upper Chittering Brigade representative Gordon Carter
Wannamal Brigade representative Richard Rose	Wannamal Brigade representative Clayton Smith
Chittering Incident Support Brigade representative Peter Hall	Chittering Incident Support Brigade representative Paulette Embling

Objectives

To make recommendations and advise Council on all matters relating to the Bush Fires Act 1954, Section 67(1).

To liaise with other emergency organisations and relevant bodies with regard to Fire and Emergency Management within the Shire of Chittering. The Committee will advise the local government all matters relating to:

- (a) Preventing, controlling and extinguishing of bush fires
- (b) The planning of the layout of fire-breaks in the district
- (c) Prosecutions for breaches of the Bush Fire Act 1954
- (d) The formation of bush fire brigades and the grouping thereof under group brigade officers
- (e) The ensuring of co-operation and co-ordination of bush fire brigades in their efforts and activities
- (f) Any other matter relating to bush fire control whether of the same kind, as, or a different kind from, those specified.

Tenure of Membership

Shall be in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995, Section 5.11*.

Attendance by Government Agencies

The following are invited (non-voting) to attend meetings of the CBFAC:

- (a) DFES District Officer – North East Metropolitan
- (b) Department of Biodiversity, Conservation & Attractions / Parks and Wildlife Service

Delegated Authority

Nil

Preface

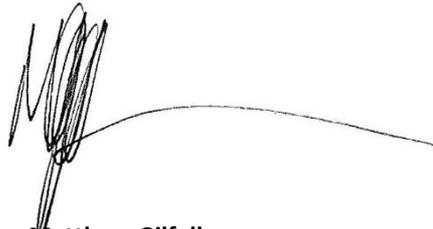
When the Chief Executive Officer approves these Minutes for distribution they are in essence *“Unconfirmed”* until the following Ordinary Meeting of Council, where the minutes will be confirmed subject to any amendments.

The *“Confirmed”* Minutes are then signed off by the Presiding Member.

Attachments that formed part of the agenda, in addition to those tabled at the Ordinary Meeting of Council are put together as an addendum to these Minutes.

Unconfirmed Minutes

These minutes were approved for distribution on 16 March 2021



Matthew Gilfellon
Chief Executive Officer

Confirmed Minutes

These minutes were confirmed at a meeting held on 12 October 2021

Signed

Note: The Presiding Member at the meeting at which the minutes were confirmed is the person who signs above.

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING OF MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS OF VISITORS

The Chairperson declared the meeting open at 7:00pm

Good evening ladies and gentlemen, we wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land we are meeting on, the Yued people. We would like to pay respect to the Elders of the Nyoongar nation, past and present, who have walked and cared for the land, we acknowledge and respect their continuing culture, and the contributions made to this region.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

2.1 Attendance

The following members have confirmed their attendance (Quorum – 6 Members):

Members:	Cr Carmel Ross	Council Delegate (Chairperson)
	Matthew Gilfellow	Chief Executive Officer
	Dave Carroll	Chief Bushfire Control Officer
	Aaron Cover	Upper Chittering Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade
	Peter Hall	Chittering Incident Support Brigade
	David Wilson	Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer – South
	Johan Rossouw	Lower Chittering Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade
	Peter Watterston	Bindoon Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade
	Shelly Pannell	Muchea Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade
	Kim Haeusler	Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer – North
	Richard Rose	Wannamal Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade
Observers:	Cr John Curtis	Council Deputy
	Cr Peter Osborn	Councillor, Shire of Chittering
	Cr Kylie Hughes	Shire President, Shire of Chittering
	Cr Mark Campbell	Councillor, Shire of Chittering
	Murray McBride	Department of Fire and Emergency Services
	Jodie Connell	Development Services Support Officer (Minute Secretary)
	Graham Furlong	Bushfire Risk Officer
	Scott Ormsby	Chittering Fire Services Training Coordinator
	Will Lee	Upper Chittering Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade
	Paul Groves	Chittering Incident Support Brigade
	Gordon Carter	Upper Chittering Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade
	Melinda Prinsloo	Executive Manager Corporate Services
	Shane Robertson	Muchea Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade

2.2 Apologies

Cr Mary Angus	Councillor, Shire of Chittering
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2.3 Approved leave of absence

Nil

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

6.1 Fire Danger Rating Sign, Great Northern Highway near Wandena Road		
Member	Type of interest	Nature / Extent of Interest
Johan Rossouw	Financial	Johan's business is one of the suppliers quoting on the proposed Fire Danger Rating Sign.

4. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

4.1 Chittering Bushfire Advisory Committee meeting: 13 October 2020

<p>4.1 OFFICER RECOMMENDATION Moved Peter Watterston/Seconded Peter Hall That the minutes of the Chittering Bushfire Advisory Committee meeting held on Tuesday, 13 October 2020 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS WITHOUT DISCUSSION

5.1 Community Emergency Services Manager / Chief Bushfire Control Officer

David Carroll spoke to the following:

- Began with introductions to various members of the Brigades and their roles.
- Currently in the Prohibited Burning Period, going restricted 31 March unless conditions allow sooner
- Weather Forecast March – May
 - For the fortnight of 8 to 21 March, maximum temperatures are likely to be warmer than average across the west coast of WA. Much of southern WA is likely to be cooler than average.
 - Minimum temperatures for the fortnight 8 to 21 March are likely to be warmer than average across most of WA away.
 - Mean maximum temperatures for autumn (March to May) are likely to be higher than average (greater than 60% chance) for the south-west coast of WA. Cooler than average maximum temperatures are likely (greater than 60% chance) for parts of southern inland WA.
 - Autumn minimum temperatures are likely to be higher than average across most of Australia except for parts of southern WA. Chances of warmer nights are greater than 80% along the west coast of WA.
 - We have had strong easterly's for weeks on end with little or no sea breeze.
 - We still have the pre wet weather frontal activity to get through, where we have hot dry conditions and strong winds prior to the passing of cold fronts and rain.
 - Autumn is likely to be wetter than average across most of Western Australia.
- Several incidents since Christmas Eve including major incidents at Red Gully, Oakford and Wooroloo on 1 Feb, 86 houses lost, hot dry day with strong easterly's all day and overnight, creating high intensity fast moving bushfire generating 55,000kw/m or more (prescribed burn is around 350kw/m, general firefight 1000kw/m). Thanks to all brigade members and their families for their ongoing support and commitment to the community.

- Thanks to the team, Deputy Chiefs, Captains and FCOs for permit writing, community education and engagement. The Shire team, Councillors, Matt, Peter Stuart, Graham, the Rangers Matty and Barry, Jodie and the office staff and DFES DO Murray McBride for ongoing support of our volunteer brigades

Brigade Stats

	Legal Name of Registered Brigades/Units	Profile of Brigade	No. Incident 19/20 Fin Year	No. Incidents 20/21 Fin Year to date	No. of Registered Members
1	Wannamal Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade	Rural	4	5	53
2	Bindoon Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade	Urban Defensive Structural	49	42	37
3	Upper Chittering Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade	Settlement Brigade	47	37	28
4	Lower Chittering Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade	Urban Defensive Structural	55	42	55
5	Muchea Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade	Settlement Brigade	48	36	24
6	Chittering Incident Support Brigade	Comms/Support	4	3	17

5.2 DFES District Officer – North East Metropolitan

Murray McBride spoke to the following:

- Murray introduced himself and gave his personal and professional background to the Committee.
- Thanks was given to brigades and their members for their attendance at recent large scale incidents including Wooroloo and Red Gully.
- There is a review into the Wooroloo Fire initiated by DFES.
- The Office of Bushfire Risk Management are looking at the Wooroloo incident including the fuel loads and road reserves in the affected area.
- Wooroloo incident has been officially closed by DFES today.
- Volunteers can register for the COVID-19 vaccination through the volunteer portal.

Peter Watterston asked if a volunteer has an adverse reaction to the vaccine which results in that person not being able to work, would that volunteer be covered. Murray stated that he did not have a response to this question.

- Bushfire Centre of Excellence in Shire of Murray is now open.
- Emergency Services Radio Network – WA Government is investing more than sixty million dollars with a project staged over eight years.

5.3 Chief Executive Officer

Matthew Gilfellow spoke to the following:

- Thanks given to all brigades and their families for their contributions at the Red Gully and Wooroloo fires
- The Shire has held a debrief after the recent warnings that effected the Shire of Chittering during the Wooroloo incident.
- The Shire has organised a Red Cross Preparedness Workshop in Lower Chittering. The intention of the workshop is to educate residents how to prepare for emergency situations in future.
- Community Forums are organised in the coming months which will also include further information on Emergency Management.

5.4 Department of Biodiversity, Conservation & Attractions / Parks and Wildlife Service

Nil

6. PREVENTION (MITIGATION, COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT)

6.1 Fire Danger Rating Sign, Great Northern Highway near Wandena Road

Matthew Gilfellow spoke to the following:

Following the Committee's recommendation at the October meeting, Council resolved the following at their Ordinary Meeting of Council on 18 November 2020:

SUBSTANTIVE MOTION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION 221120

Moved Cr Ross / Seconded Cr Curtis

That Council by an ABSOLUTE MAJORITY:

- 1. Authorises the Shire to consult Main Roads Western Australia on placement of the sign prior to purchase of the sign.*
- 2. Authorises the purchase of a Fire Danger Rating sign in accordance with the purchasing policy after a favourable agreement is made with Main Roads Western Australia.*
- 3. Authorises the placement of the purchased electronic Fire Danger Rating sign on Great Northern Highway (near Wandena Road) to notify the public of Fire Danger Ratings in preparation for the 2020/21 Fire Season.*
- 4. That if there is an undue delay for the Fire Danger Rating Sign to be installed by 31 January 2021 for the 2020/21 fire season that this purchase be considered as part of the 2021/22 budget.*

CARRIED 6/0

Following this resolution, the Shire contacted Main Roads WA (Wheatbelt division) to initiate discussions about the Fire Danger Rating sign and its placement. The reception from Main Roads WA was positive however more information such as drawings and an exact location was requested to inform a decision. Subsequently, two quotes and drawings have been requested from suppliers. To date, one quote has been received from a supplier and the second is pending.

As the Shire has been unable to install the sign by 31 January 2021, the costings for the purchase and installation of the Fire Danger Rating sign will now form part of the Shire of Chittering Budget 2021/22.

Murray McBride addressed the Committee and stated that the design of the Fire Danger Rating signs may change in the near future. Murray stated that he would find out more information and provide it to the Committee.

6.2 Shire Mitigation Activities under Mitigation Activity Funding

David Wilson addressed the meeting to request a report on current Mitigation Activities under Mitigation Activity funding. David Wilson requested whether this item could be a regular item at Committee meetings to keep all Fire Control Officers and other members informed of mitigation activities.

Graham Furlong stated that the Shire was successful with obtaining funding for forty one treatments. A summary is available and can be circulated to the Committee for their reference. Treatments include the verges on Bindoon-Dewars Pool Road and Chittering Road (from Great Northern Highway through to Lower Chittering Station). Graham to provide the report to Jodie for circulation with the minutes.

The following was provided by Graham Furlong post meeting:

SHIRE OF CHITTERING - MAF20-21 R2 Funding Summary

Number of Treatments	Type of Treatment	Value
10	Chemical	103,400.00
5	Firebreak Construction	55,800.00
6	Mechanical Works	50,000.00
20	Prescribed Burning	289,000.00
41		498,200.00

Number of Treatments	Locality	Value
5	Wannamal	15,500.00
5	Bindoon	63,200.00
17	Upper Chittering	278,700.00
7	Lower Chittering	117,500.00
7	Muchea	23,300.00
41		498,200.00

Number of Treatments	Contractor	Value
12	Proposed Tender	
12	CFS	45,300.00
9	Local Quotes	
8	Chemical CLC	
41		45,300.00

6.3 Strategic Firebreak Mapping

David Wilson addressed the meeting to discuss the Strategic Firebreak document and request for the document to be updated and distributed. David Carroll stated that the latest document is from 2011. It was acknowledged that the information is outdated and efforts will be made to update the document and circulated.

6.4 Emergency Access Tracks, Escape Tracks & Gate Locks

Peter Watterston addressed the meeting to request information regarding the upkeep and checking of tracks in the Shire and the use of combination locks on the gates. Peter used Morley Road as an example. A strategic break was used during the Rural Urban Interface exercise and there were difficulties with locks on this particular firebreak. Peter stated that there are similar issues with Windermere Way. Peter went on to suggest whether locks could be changed to combination locks instead of the Shire firebreak padlocks.

Peter Watterston went on to request whether brigades should be checking firebreaks and giving feedback to the Shire on their upkeep. Peter added that the strategic firebreak between Hart Drive and

Shane Robertson and Johan Rossouw shared experiences with strategic firebreaks in the Shire where there were issues with locks.

Peter Hall introduced himself to those present. Peter requested whether there was going to be a road linking Santa Gertrudis Drive and Blue Plains. Matthew Gilfellon stated that there is a road between Maryville Heights stage one and Chittering Springs stage one. It is normally up to the developer to develop the road as part of their subdivision.

6.5 Burning on Sundays in the Restricted Burning Time

Peter Watterston addressed the meeting requesting whether along permits on a Sunday can be considered. David Carroll stated that this item had been addressed in previous meetings. Matthew Gilfellon stated that the item could be heard. David Carroll stated that there had been no changes and that the answer remained the same as previous meetings.

7. RESPONSE

7.1 Shire of Chittering's Response during Emergencies

David Wilson addressed the meeting and requested what are the response plans that are in place in the event of Emergency Warnings being issued during an incident in the Shire of Chittering.

Matthew Gilfellon presented information on Emergency Management and the Shire's obligations (see attachment 1).

David Wilson detailed that he had checked the Shire of Chittering Facebook page during the incident and did not see much information posted on the second day of the Wooroloo incident, especially in comparison to other Local Governments. Matthew Gilfellon stated that communication was a gap identified in the internal debrief after the incident. Information was scarcely reported in most aspects during the incident.

Shelly stated that the most reliable source of information for the public is the DFES Emergency website. David Wilson stated that the feedback from Lower Chittering members was that there wasn't enough information being posted through the Shire. Shelly stated that people panic during large incidents and potentially can get the wrong information from other sources on Facebook. Peter Watterson concurred, stating that some people listen to radios and spread information that is potentially incorrect. David Carroll stated that there has been issues similar to this in the past. The Committee discussed warnings, the DFES Emergency website and its importance.

8. RECRUITMENT & TRAINING

8.1 Training Coordinator Report

Scott Ormsby was not in attendance to speak to his items as provided at the time of agenda. Scott's resignation as the Shire of Chittering Training Coordinator was tabled.

David Carroll and David Wilson stated that they were in process of finding a new candidate for the Training Coordinator role.

9. RESOURCES & FACILITIES

9.1 Enhancement of Shire of Chittering Brigades

Matthew Gilfellow gave background on what steps the Shire took in response to the request to enhance the Shire's Volunteer Bush Fire Brigades (VBFB) to Volunteer Fire and Emergency Services (VFES). Information regarding the potential enhancement has been verbal to date but no formal notice has been received from DFES. Matthew stated that this discussion was for Committee members and other senior brigade members in attendance to provide feedback and make comments on behalf of their respective brigades. Feedback and comments were intended to inform the Councillors present.

Peter Watterston spoke on behalf of Bindoon VBFB and began with background on the brigade's understanding on the transition to date. Peter added that the brigade had initially voted to become enhanced and have decided as a majority to go against this decision. Peter stated that Bindoon do not wish to continue with the transition due to constraints regarding training and potential membership issues.

Murray McBride provided information in response to information provided by Peter. Murray additionally provided information on becoming VFES and other brigades' transitions. David Wilson provided his concerns including the impost on management, additional reporting, more requirements to meet and training. David stated that there is the likelihood that brigades will struggle most of these obligations. Other concerns included equipment. David stated that allegedly core equipment is provided and that extra equipment that would need to be purchased by the brigades. Murray provided further feedback on these concerns and detailed the types of models that are available for enhanced brigades.

There was further discussion held by the Committee about other changes that the brigade would experience if they become enhanced. David Wilson also detailed the potential issue with not having a Community Emergency Services Manager. Murray provided more feedback regarding these issues. Murray stated that information was quite broad due to the lack of a formal response from DFES. Peter Hall thanked Murray for his attendance and stated that he would like to wait for formal

notification from DFES. Additionally, Peter stated that a green paper is proposed to come out mid-year. Peter requested for the green paper to be considered as well as formal notification from DFES before decisions be made. Murray agreed that formal notification should be received from DFES before a formal decision is made.

MOTION

Moved Peter Hall/Seconded Peter Watterston

That the Chief Executive Officer liaise with the brigades to prepare a letter to the DFES Commissioner to seek clarification.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Kim asked the Committee whether the discussion about changing to VFES was necessary. David Carroll detailed the changes that the Shire is going through and the impact this may have on Emergency Services in future. Cr Carmel Ross stated that the discussion on this issue will help to guide Council's decision. Murray stated that Commissioner's office has requested his input on bringing Bush Fire Brigades from Local Government to DFES and this implies that there is intention to transition brigades over.

Matthew Gilfellon stated that the main feedback required from brigades was why they wished to move to VFES. Peter Watterston detailed the reasons why brigade decided initially to be enhanced.

Councillor Carmel Ross requested feedback from Shelly Pannell on behalf of Muchea VBFB. Shelly provided background on Muchea's perspective on enhancement. Shelly stated that Muchea have always been a Bush Fire Brigade and believes that there is not a need for enhancement right now.

Graham Furlong instigated Shelly detailing the discussion that was had with Merv Austic from DFES. Merv Austic's portrayal of the transition was considered to be a positive perspective in contrast to the perspective given by Chris Unstead.

Johan Rossouw, speaking on behalf of Lower Chittering VBFB, stated that his brigade did not wish to move to enhanced brigade however acknowledged the benefits it could have.

Peter Hall clarified the motion and his intentions for the motion.

Johan Rossouw stated that there has been no facts that have been presented to the brigade to date.

Aaron Cover stated, on behalf of Upper Chittering VBFB, that the brigade has no interest in being an enhanced brigade. Aaron deferred to Will Lee for comment from the gallery. Will Lee concurred with Shelly that there isn't enough information or a true depiction of what the transition entailed. Additionally Will stated that Upper Chittering VBFB have no interest in the change.

Richard stated that Wannamal VBFB are happy with the way their brigade currently operates.

Peter Watterston added that having a Community Emergency Services Manager has great value to brigades in having that contact and losing that would make going to VFES less appealing. Murray McBride responded saying that it's not known what structure would be implemented if brigades were enhanced. Further discussion was held by the Committee about how potentially it would work.

Councillor Carmel Ross summarised that it was evident that no one was in a position to make an informed decision due to the lack of information provided to date. The Committee resolved for a

letter to be sent to the Commissioner which will provide time to consider the decision and provide further information to the Committee and the Brigades.

10. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & EDUCATION

Nil

11. NEXT MEETING

11.1 Setting of meeting date for June

In accordance with Council Resolution 211120, the Chittering Bushfire Advisory Committee are required to determine whether a meeting is required to be held in June. The decision will require a unanimous vote from the Committee.

The following was resolved at Council's November Ordinary Meeting:

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION / COUNCIL RESOLUTION 211120

Moved Cr Ross / Seconded Cr Osborn

That Council:

1. Endorses the Chittering Bushfire Advisory Committee meeting dates for 2021 as follows:

a. Tuesday 9 March; and

b. Tuesday 12 October.

2. Endorses that if the Committee require a third meeting in June, a date will be decided and minuted at the meeting held 9 March 2021.

3. Endorses that a minimum of two meetings will be held each year – one in March following the fire season and one in October before the fire season.

4. Endorses that meetings will be held in the Council Chambers, 6177 Great Northern Highway, Bindoon commencing at 7pm.

5. Endorses that the agenda of the meetings will no longer include operational information and will focus on strategic issues. Agenda items must be submitted one fortnight in advance.

6. Receives the "unconfirmed" Chittering Bushfire Advisory Committee Minutes from the meeting held on 13 October 2020.

CARRIED 6/0

If the Committee deems that a June meeting is not required, the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 12 October 2021 at 7:00pm.

11.1 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved Peter Hall / Seconded Richard Rose

That the next meeting be held on 12 October 2021 in accordance with Council Resolution 211120.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

David Carroll presented David Wilson with his ten year medal. David Wilson gave thanks to the Committee.

12. CLOSURE

The Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 8:40pm.

Emergency Management Arrangements



Shire's Legislative Role

- *Bush Fires Act 1954*
- *Emergency Management Act 2005*

Emergency Management Act 2005

Meetings 4x per year

Exercise 1x per year

Current Plans:

- Local Emergency Management Arrangements
- Local Recovery Plan
- Local Welfare Plan

Incident Support Group Triggers

Triggers for an ISG

The triggers for an incident support group are defined in State EM Policy Statement 5.2.2 and State EM Plan Section 5.1. These are:

- (a) Where an incident is designated as Level 2 or higher;
- (b) Multiple agencies need to be coordinated.

Potential Hazards That We Face

State Emergency Management Plans

The State Emergency Management Committee (SEMC) has responsibility to arrange the preparation of state level plans that cover specific hazard support issues.

State Emergency management Plans include but are not limited to the following:

Hazards

- Animal and Plant Biosecurity
- Bushfire
- Cyclone
- Earthquake
- Hazmat
- Heatwave
- Storm
- Air Crash
- Collapse
- Dam break
- Flood
- Rail Crash PTA
- Human Epidemic
- Tsunami

State Emergency Management Plans can be viewed via the SEMC website – www.semc.wa.gov.au.

LG Role in Emergency Management

TABLE 3: Local Roles and Responsibilities

Local Role	Description of responsibilities
Local Government	<p>The responsibilities of the Shire of Chittering are defined in Section 36 of the EM Act:</p> <p>36. <i>Functions of local government</i></p> <p><i>It is a function of a local government—</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>(a) subject to this Act, to ensure that effective local emergency management arrangements are prepared and maintained for its district; and</i><i>(b) to manage recovery following an emergency affecting the community in its district; and</i><i>(c) to perform other functions given to the local government under this Act.</i>

Officer Roles

Local Recovery Coordinator	To ensure the development and maintenance of effective recovery management arrangements for the local government. In conjunction with the local recovery committee to implement a post incident recovery action plan and manage the recovery phase of the incident.
Local Government Welfare Liaison Officer	During an evacuation where a local government facility is utilised by the Department of Communities provide advice, information and resources regarding the operation of the facility.
Local Government Liaison Officer (to the ISG/IMT)	During a major emergency, the liaison officer attends ISG meetings to represent the local government and provide local knowledge input and details in the LEMA.

Other Local Plans

Local Plans

TABLE 1: Local Plans

Document	Owner	Location	Date
Local Emergency Management Plan for the Provision of Welfare Support – Midland Region	Department of Communities	25 Adelaide Terrace Fremantle	November 2017
Emergency Management Plan	Bindoon Primary School	19 Learners Way Bindoon	2017
Bushfire Plan	Bindoon Primary School	19 Learners Way Bindoon	February 2018
Emergency and Critical Incident Management Plan	Edmund Rice College	3398 Bindoon-Dewars Pool Rd, Bindoon	June 2013
Critical and Emergency Incidents Policy	Immaculate Heart College	Santa Gertrudis Drive Lower Chittering	May 2017
Bushfire Policy – Evacuation Procedure	Immaculate Heart College	Santa Gertrudis Drive Lower Chittering	August 2016

Agency Roles

TABLE 6: Description of emergencies likely to occur in our area

HAZARD	HMA	LOCAL AGENCY	STATE HAZARD PLAN	LOCAL PLAN
Bushfire	DFES	SOC	Fire Interim (May 2018)	Response Plan Avon Valley Response Plan.
	DFES	SOC	Fire Interim (May 2018)	
	DFES	Perth Hills/Swan Coastal District	Fire Interim (May 2018)	
Severe Storm	DFES	Swan SES	Storm (May 2016)	
Structure Fire	DFES	(i) Gingin VFRS (ii) Bullsbrook VFES (iii) Ellenbrook CFRS	Fire Interim (May 2018)	
Road Transport Emergency	WAPOL	Gingin Police	Crash Emergency (Aug 2018)	
Heat Wave	DOH	DOH	Heatwave (May 2018)	
Air Transport Emergency	WAPOL	Gingin Police	Crash Emergency (Aug 2018)	
Hazardous Materials	DFES	(i) Gingin VFRS (ii) Ellenbrook CFRS	Hazardous Materials Emergencies (Aug 2018)	

Welfare In An Emergency

As per Section 5.5.4 of the State Emergency Management Plan, the Department of Communities is responsible for the EM activity of providing welfare services (r. 32 EM Regulations). The Department of Communities has the primary responsibility for coordinating the provision of welfare support and resources during emergencies including:

- emergency accommodation;
- emergency catering;
- emergency clothing and personal requisites;
- personal services;
- registration and reunification; and
- financial assistance.

Recovery Arrangements

