



MINUTES

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE TOWN HALL, ABEL STREET BOYUP BROOK ON TUESDAY 24 MAY 2022 AT 7.00pm

1 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

Cr Richard Walker - Shire President
Dale Putland – Chief Executive Officer
Donna Forsyth - Ranger
Maria Lane – Executive Assistant

Fire Control Officers & Deputy Fire Control Officers, Secretary's and X-Ray Team

Tristan Mead	Ron Bingham
David Inglis	Jim Johnston
Glenn Mead	Jamie Forbes
Ben Creek	David Muir
Ben Thompson	Scott Wheatley
Brad Fairbrass	
Michael Giles	
Brad Skraha	
Brian Cailles	
Wayde Robertson	
Charles Caldwell	
Scott Nix	
Darren Chapman	
David Fortune	
John Ritson	
Marcus Gifford	
Nick Bagshaw	
Ron Tuckett	
Rob Imrie	
Wayne White	

Apologies

Kieren Power
Matt Franke
Hayden Bock
Ross Parker
Helen O'Connell
Rob Introvigne
Matt Della-Gola

2. ELECTION OF PRESIDING MEMBER

5.12. Presiding members and deputies, election of

- (1) The members of a committee are to elect a presiding member from amongst themselves in accordance with Schedule 2.3, Division 1 as if the references in that Schedule —
 - (a) to “office” were references to “office of presiding member”; and*
 - (b) to “council” were references to “committee”; and*
 - (c) to “councillors” were references to “committee members”.**
- (2) The members of a committee may elect a deputy presiding member from amongst themselves but any such election is to be in accordance with Schedule 2.3, Division 2 as if the references in that Schedule —
 - (a) to “office” were references to “office of deputy presiding member”; and*
 - (b) to “council” were references to “committee”; and*
 - (c) to “councillors” were references to “committee members”; and*
 - (d) to “mayor or president” were references to “presiding member”.**

2.1 ELECTION OF PRESIDING MEMBER

The Committee called for nominations

Cr Richard Walker was declared elected Presiding Member

2.2 ELECTION OF DEPUTY PRESIDING MEMBER

The Committee calls for nominations

Cr Helen O’Connell was declared elected Deputy Presiding Member

3 ELECTION OF OFFICERS/MEMBERS

Chief Fire Control Officer

Tristan Mead was declared elected Chief Fire Control Officer

1st Deputy Chief Fire Control Officer

Ben Thompson was declared elected Deputy Chief Fire Control

2nd Deputy Chief Fire Control Officer

Brad Skraha was declared elected Deputy Chief Fire Control

Communications Officer

David Fortune was declared elected as Communications Officer

Fire Weather Officer

Brad Fairbrass was declared elected as Fire Weather Officer

Deputy Fire Weather Officer

Wayde Robertson was declared elected as Deputy Fire Weather Officer

Training Officer

Donna Forsyth was declared elected as Training Officer

Fire Control Officers from each Brigade

David Inglis and Rob Imrie were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers from the **Benjinup Brigade**.

Glenn Mead and Scott Wheatley were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers from the **Chowerup Brigade**.

Tristan Mead and Wayne White were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers from the **Dinninup Brigade**.

John Ritson and Ken Holland were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers from the **East Boyup Brook Brigade**.

Ron Bingham and Michael Giles were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers from the **Gibbs Brigade**.

Brad Skraha and Nick Bagshaw were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers from the **Kenninup Brigade**.

Brad Fairbrass and Hayden Bock were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers from the **Kulikup Brigade**.

Ben Creek and Matt Franke were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers from the **Mayanup Brigade**.

David Fortune and Kieren Power were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers

from the **McAlinden Brigade**.

Darren Chapman and Jamie Forbes were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers from the **Mickalarup/Dwalganup Brigade**.

Marcus Gifford and Rob Introvigne were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers from the **Nollajup Brigade**.

Charles Caldwell and Wayde Robertson were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers from the **Scotts Brook Brigade**.

Ron Tuckett and Matt Della-Gola were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers from the **Tonebridge Brigade**.

David Muir and Scott Nix were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers from the **Tweed Brigade**.

Brian Cailles and Ross Parker were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers from the **West Boyup Brigade**.

Clint Wawilow and Gyula Bogar were declared elected as delegates/Fire Control Officers from the **DFES Town Brigade**.

4 PRESENTATIONS

Donna Forsyth

- ESL successful grant 2022/2023.
- 122 Fire blankets were issued to the Bush Fire Brigade.
- Vehicle Maintenance list was provided to the Bush Fire Brigade.
- SBB BFB Operations ESL tracking report 21/22 was provided to the Bush Fire Brigade.
- Training – Rural fire Awareness Course and Plantation course will be provided soon.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 Bush Fire Advisory Meeting – 2 June 2021

MOVED: David Fortune

SECONDED: Tristan Mead

That the minutes of the Bush Fire Advisory AGM held on the 2 June 2021 be confirmed as an accurate record.

CARRIED

22/5/47

6 BUSINESS ARISING

6.1 Annual Firebreak Notice

A draft firebreak notice has been distributed to brigades. The Bush Fire Advisory Committee is requested to review amendments to the annual firebreak notice and endorse it for publication.

6.2 Brigade Contacts for 2022-23

A draft brigade contacts list has been distributed to brigades. The Bush Fire Advisory Committee is requested to review and advise administration of any changes that need to be made.

7 REPORTS

7.1 Chief Bush Fire Control Officer 2021/2022 Report

Tristan Mead thanked all the team and Dale for their assistance at the Hester fire and Donna for providing the PPE to the Bush Fire Brigade.

New FCO's to put the watsapp on their mobile phone, please see Donna for any further information.

7.2 Brigade 2022 AGM Minutes as tabled by the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer

7.2.1 Brigade Meeting Minutes

Was unable to receive the minutes as some of the Bush fire Brigades had not held their AGM.

That the AGM Minutes of the Kulikup, Chowerup, Dinninup, Gibbs Road, McAlinden, and Scotts Brook, Mickalurup and Chowerup Bush Fire Brigade be received.

(Attachment circulated)

8 MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

9 GENERAL BUSINESS

Chowerup Bush Fire Brigade

MOVED: Glenn Mead

SECONDED: Tristan Mead

The Chowerup Bush Fire Brigade would like to move a motion to expedite the burning of former Waters and Rivers Bush especially Lot 13 Location 8553 (670 hectares) and Lot 6 location 8553. Lots 10 and 12, 8553 either side of lot 13 will be planted with pines next year (2023) and the bush should also be burnt before the pines are planted. The bush was last burnt in 2006. Lot 6, 8553 (64 hectares) north of lot 12 should be burnt before pines are planted. This area was last burnt in 1987. Lots 10 and 11 are owned by New Forest and managed by P F Olsen.

If necessary delay pine plantings until bush is burnt.

CARRIED

Res 22/5/48

Response from David Fortune

Liaise with Graham Blake from Department of Water & Environmental Regulations, Geoff Bennett from Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions and the X-Ray team to meet in early June to discuss the burning of former Waters and Rivers.

Gibbs Road Bushfire Brigade

- As brigades, can we get better direction on what Volunteers can do in regard to plantation fires.
- Plantation fire training has been offered to the shire for free but apparently been knocked back – Yes or No?
- Better radio operation – Stress to all radio users that for correct communication they must press talk button then wait 2 seconds for repeater to open link then speak their call sign.

Response

You are not able to go into a plantation if you have not had any training. Training is on offer.

Response

The Shire has not been advised about Plantation fire training.

10 CLOSURE

There being no further business the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 8.38pm.

MINUTES

**Annual General Meeting of the Benjinup Bush Fire Brigade
Wilga Hall
09 May 2023
7:00pm**

1. Record of Attendance.

Rob Imrie
Richard Walker
Clint Wesphal
John Imrie
David Inglis
Kristen Mappin
Kevin Moir
Jarred Haydn-Smith

2. Apologies

Kevin Moir (arrived during the meeting)

3. Welcome

4. Confirmation of Minutes

4.1 Minutes of AGM held May 10 2022

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on May 10 2022 be confirmed as an accurate record.

MOVED: *John Imrie*

SECONDED: *David Inglis*

Voted on and accepted

5. Business arising

- The question of firefighting facilities based at Wilga was again discussed. It appears unlikely unless there is future financial support from businesses / government bodies. Forrest Products Commission (FPC) have recently purchased the "Affleck" property with the intention of planting pine trees. As this property is directly adjacent to the Wilga town site, it may be worth approaching FPC in the future to seek support for the provision of these facilities.

- The number of active (ie involved in meetings and able to give time) BBFB members there were to maintain such facilities if provided was discussed. It was suggested that awareness of the Brigade might be increased through current members “spreading the word”, provision of membership forms at the Wilga Exchange and at Wilga Progress Association meeting(s) / Fish and Chip Nights.
- The Rapid Response vehicle is located at Chris Lee Steere’s property.
- The spring burns conducted by the Department of Parks and Wildlife (DPAW) late in 2022 were discussed. Concerns aired by members regarding timing and notification (or lack of) provided to landholders living adjacent to burns. Mr Inglis had made contact with DPAW at the time and expressed concerns on behalf of the Brigade and nearby landholders.

6. Reports

6.1 Benjinup FCO (David Inglis)

- Monies owed to the Brigade for control burns by Shire and PF Olsen. David will follow up in due course.
- Little to report by way of incidents.
- DPAW burns were an annoyance.
- Thanks to Clint for conducting a burn at short notice (for payment to Brigade).
- Dave and others conducted small burn on a corner of Wilga (for payment to Brigade).
- PF Olsen being a “good citizen” and has been supportive of the Brigade and controlled burns.

MOVED: *Clint Westphal*

SECONDED: *Richard Walker*

Carried

6.2 Secretary

No correspondence to report other than one bank statement.

MOVED: *David Inglis*

SECONDED: *Kristen Mappin*

Carried

6.3 Treasurer

- With the changeover of Treasurer during the period since the last AGM, the Brigade's bank account is now held with Bendigo Bank (previously Commonwealth Bank).
- Copy of bank statements (not all) for period since the last AGM made available to attendees. (some unavailable to current Treasurer due to change of bank)
- Bank balance currently sits at \$2526.07
- No outgoings since the changeover of Treasurer to report.

MOVED: *David Inglis*

SECONDED: *Rob Imrie*

Carried

7. Election of Office Bearers:

All positions are declared vacant.

FCO		
Nominated	Nominated by	2 nd
<i>Rob Imrie</i>	<i>David Inglis</i>	<i>Richard Walker</i>
Elected: <i>Rob Imrie</i> – <i>elected unanimously</i>		

Deputy FCO		
Nominated	Nominated by	2 nd
<i>Clint Westphal</i>	<i>David Inglis</i>	<i>John Imrie</i>
Elected: <i>Clint Westphal</i> – <i>elected unanimously</i>		

Secretary / Treasurer		
Nominated	Nominated by	2 nd
<i>Jarred Haydn-Smith</i>	<i>David Inglis</i>	<i>Clint Westphal</i>
Elected: <i>Jarred Haydn-Smith</i> – <i>elected unanimously</i>		

8. General Business:

- David Inglis suggested that we discuss intentions for the funds (both at bank and incoming as described in FCO Report). Although flexible with changing needs, it was agreed that in principle funds be used to:
 - Maintain current assets (pumps, slip on fire unit.)

- Remaining funds preserved in order that the Brigade be in a position to contribute in the event that future funding requests are successful (eg for the afore mentioned Wilga firefighting facilities).
- Discussed need for the newly elected FCO (Rob Imrie) to have access to DFES communication radio in his house in order to perform the role. Newly elected DFCO (Clint Westphal) would also need access to a radio. Rob and Clint to make contact with David Fortune (X-Ray Team Communications Officer) in the first instance with this enquiry.
- Rob and Clint will attend Advisory Committee meetings.
- Discussion regarding the firebreak requirements for the former “Affleck” property (purchased by FPC with intention to plant with Pine trees). Apparently there is a requirement for a 50m break between the plantings and Wilga town site. Question was asked whether this would be enough and whether the 50m break should extend further. Richard said that the firebreak requirements were currently with Council.
- Richard Walker made the meeting aware that there would be a Local Planning Strategy forum held at the BB Club at 6:00pm on Thu 11 May. Broad acre tree farming in our shire was one of the matters to be discussed. Community members are encouraged to attend.
- Maintenance on the pump at the Wilga “Mill Dam” was discussed. Clint said that he would check this pump and the mobile unit to ensure they were in reliable condition in preparation for the next fire season.
- Discussion regarding communication methods (outside of active firefighting matters) e.g. meeting advice and dissemination of information. Jarred to setup a WhatsApp group for “Benjinup BFB Members”, separate from the existing one “Benjinup BFB” which is used by active members for emergency matters.
- Richard brought up the matter of properties that straddle 2 shires and whether there should be consideration for “Joint FCO” in the case of an incident involving these properties. Some complications were identified. Would be more for emergency situations, not burn permits. Matter left with new FCO for consideration and possible discussion at Advisory Committee.
- Richard acknowledged the considerable contribution of David Inglis to the Brigade as FCO over the past 10+ years. Agreed to by all at the meeting. Thank you David.
- Rob Imrie declared the meeting closed at 8:30pm.

AGM Chowerup Fire Brigade 9.5.23

Meeting open : 8.15 pm

Chowerup Hall

Welcomed by F C O Glenn Mead

Present : Glenn, Susan and David Mead, Lyn and David Fraser, Luke Harding, Scott Wheatley, Brooks Evans, Richard SurrIDGE, Reaghan Shalders

Apologies : Janet Evans, Ross Fraser

Minutes of Last Meeting

Read and Accepted – David Fraser

Seconded – Luke Harding

Correspondence

Training Courses from Donna.

Need update of Active members of our Firebrigade (basic training is compulsory for new members to be considered active).

FCO to report fires to Donna as this gives us more funding from DFES. Also it covers workers compensation but the Boyup Brook Shire needs proof that you were injured on the fireground. Reports need to be submitted within 48 hours.

Financial Report

Cheque Book

17/5/22 Opening balance \$4762.51

9/5/23 Closing balance \$6874.53

income \$12,980 21/10/22 burn

\$1.12 interest (Aug 2022) from IBD

total \$12,981.12

Expenses : \$ 10,869.10 new radios

IBD

opening balance 17/5/22 \$6000 (4/5/22 – 4/8/22) 0.07%

closing balance 9/5/23 \$6000 (18/8/22 – 18/8/23) 2.75%

interest to cheque account

accepted Scott Wheatley

seconded David Fraser

DINNINUP VOLUNTEER BUSH FIRE BRIGADE 2023 AGM MINUTES

2023 Annual General Meeting, held 7.10pm Tuesday 2/05/2023 in the Dinninup Hall.

1.0 Present

Tristan Mead, Matt Beatty, Peter Bradford, Fiona Cameron, Justin Carroll, Gail Elson, Roy Emerson, Mark Fabry, Rocco Giumelli, Simon Ivey, Josh Marinoni, Darren Parker, Julyan Sumner, Frazer Webb, Scott Weir, Wayne White, Michael Wright.

2.0 Apologies

Perry Corker, Keith Thompson.

3.0 Confirmation of 2022 Minutes

Motion: The minutes of the 2022 AGM were accepted as being a true and accurate record.

Moved: Wayne White

Seconded: Frazer Webb

Motion Passed

4.0 Business Arising from the Minutes of the 2022 AGM

Nil

5.0 Reports

5.1 Financial Report

Opening Balance	Cash at bank 1/10/2021	\$9000.00
Interest		
Interest earned		\$ 1.22
Deposits		
Boyup Brook Shire – Burnoff & Supply Trailer		\$10,670.00
Payments		
Cheque 6 – 2021 Christmas Party	\$202.53	
Cheque 7 - UBAS Prize	\$50.00	
Cheque 8 – 2022 Christmas Party	\$261.25	
Cheque 9 – Fire Radio Wayne White	\$2278.10	
Cheque 10 – Supply Trailer	\$4500.00	
Cheque 11 – Fire Radio BBFC	\$2345.20	
Payments Total	<u>\$9637.08</u>	
Closing Balance	Cash at bank 1/04/2023	\$10,034.14
Plus:		
Petty Cash		\$114.80
Financial Position as of 29/04/2023		\$10148.94

Motion: The 2023 Financial report be accepted as a true and accurate record and approval to write cheques to cover invoices be approved.

Moved: Peter Bradford

Seconded: Frazer Webb

Motion Passed

5.2 Fire Control Officer's Report

Quiet season, only two incidents:

- Lightning strike on Samwell Road
- Scott Weir property

Tristan Mead thanked members who attended.

6.0 Election of Office Bearers

Position	Elected	Proposed	Seconded
President/FCO	Tristan Mead	Rocco Giumelli	Roy Emerson
Deputy/FCO	Wayne White	Frazer Webb	Peter Bradford
Secretary/Treasurer	Fiona Cameron	Frazer Webb	Tristan Mead
Social Coordinator	Matt Beatty	Fiona Cameron	Tristan Mead
Fire Advisory Delegate 1	FCO	Frazer Webb	Fiona Cameron
Fire Advisory Delegate 2	Deputy FCO	Frazer Webb	Fiona Cameron

7.0 General Business

7.1 Mitigation Burning

Golf Links Reserve – pending Boyup Brook Shire approval, to occur May/June, 2024.

7.2 Fire Radios

FESA licensed radios purchased by the brigade for Wayne White, and BBFC Tristan Mead utility vehicle. Neville Chambers' radio to be reassigned.

7.3 PPE

Contact DVFBF Secretary for PPE requirements.

7.4 Fuel Card

Fuel card available at the BP and to be used by the end of June 2023, \$100 per person limit.

7.5 Bob Price Memorial prize

Dinninup Show Bob Price Memorial prize of \$50.00 to be provided to UBAS for 2023.

7.6 Christmas Tree

Funds will be allocated for the 2022 Christmas Tree barbecue.

7.7 Call Sign Confirmation

Name	Call Sign	Mobile	Home	Radio
Tristan Mead	Dinninup 1	0497671340	97671345	Dinninup FESA Radio (X Ray 2)
Wayne White	Dinninup 2	0428384893		Dinninup FESA Radio
Wayne Girando	Dinninup 3	0429671215		Dinninup FESA Radio
Perry Corker	Dinninup 4	0427126506	98332241	Dinninup FESA Radio
Mark Fabry	Dinninup 5	0438914461		Brigade owned set
Simon Ivey	Dinninup 6	0429332234	97671233	Dinninup FESA Radio
Peter Bradford	Dinninup 7	0427379247	97671218	Dinninup FESA Radio
Frazer Webb	Dinninup 8	0429103827		Private owned set

Chad Corker	Dinninup 9	0438914461		Private owned set
Brent Eason	Dinninup 10			Brigade owned set

Motion: The call signs as listed above be accepted.

Moved: Peter Bradford

Seconded: Mark Fabry

Motion Passed

7.8 New Members to the Brigade

Kim Marinoni
 Jacob Maw
 Josh Miller
 Rocco Giumelli
 Gail Elson
 Alby Staniforth-Smith
 Declan Holland
 William White
 Paul Newman

7.9 Other Business

Aluminium hook on lay flat hose as alternative to standpipe is effective when filling tanks without assistance. Hooks previously used but decommissioned due to potential safety considerations. Tristan Mead to raise at the Fire Advisory meeting.

Michael Wright advised an Emergency fire tank facility with a total volume of 100,000 litres of water has been constructed on Hicks Road and is available for fast fill. Brigade members are encouraged to familiarise themselves with the facility. The Boyup Brook Shire has requested this initiative be submitted for the Resilient Australia Awards (<https://www.aidr.org.au/programs/resilient-australia-awards/>).

Julyan Sumner requested assistance with mitigation burning on his property.

Scott Weir thanked members who attended the fire on his property.

Rocco Giumelli requested assistance with mitigation burning on a laneway adjoining his property.

8.0 Next Meeting

Next meeting is to be held at 7pm on a day (to be advised) in 2024 at the Dinninup Hall.

Meeting closed 7.40pm.

- Meeting opened at 7:12 pm

[ATTENDEES]
John Ritson
Jono Ritson
Maya Allison
Kenny Holland
Simon Purse
Dave Welsh
Russell Squire
Erin Brokenshire
[APOLOGIES]
Jim Johnston

- Meeting → moved & seconded (Jono Ritson & Russell Squire)

[ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS]:

- John Ritson (East 1) → Simon Purse/Kenny Holland (Forwarded/Seconded)
- Kenny Holland (East 2) → Simon Purse/John Ritson (Forwarded/Seconded)
- Dave Welsh (East 3) → John Ritson/Kenny Holland (Forwarded/Seconded)
- Simon Purse (East 4) → Russell Squire/Jono Ritson (Forwarded/Seconded)
- Jim Johnston (East 5) → Maya Allison/Russell Squire (Forwarded/Seconded)
- Colin Marinoni (East 6) → John Ritson/Simon Purse (Forwarded/Seconded)

[FCO REPORT]:

- 1 Fire at Thompsons due to lightning strike → Simon Purse/John Ritson (Forwarded/Seconded)

[TREASURER REPORT]:

- \$4699.42 in Bank Account → Russell Squire/Kenny Holland (Forwarded/Seconded)

[FUEL CARD]:

- \$1000 fuel card to be split between all 'Radio Operators'

[GENERAL BUSINESS]:

- Enquiries to be made regarding lay-flat extension to fill fire unit rather than using stand pipes

- Meeting closed at 7:30 pm

Gibbs Road Bush Fire Brigade

Minutes of AGM held on 8 May 2023 at Harvey Dicksons 5.30 pm

Present Ron Bingham
Rhys Woolard
Harvey Dickson
Hugo Bombara
Lizz Rear
Dave Rear
Mal Gibbs

Apologies Paul Goerling

No change to office bearers

Minutes of previous meeting read and accepted as correct

Moved Lizz Rear Seconded Dave Rear

Business arising from previous minutes

Still have radio operators not pressing talk button and wait 2 second before commencing call sign

all other items covered at BFAC

Financials presented \$3018.45 cr

Outgoings Nil

In Nil accepted Lizz Rear

Item to be presented at BFAC

Request from Double Barrel Entertainment for BFB to handle fire patrol duties at both rodeos Offered to donate \$1000 each time

This can go into radio funding

Suggest shared roster between closest brigades and utilise West Fast attack as patrol vehicle

No further business meeting closed 6.05 pm

KENNINUP BUSH FIRE BRIGADE

KENNINUP BUSH FIRE BRIGADE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 2nd MAY 2023

Skraha Residence: 7pm

Meeting Opened: 7pm

Present: Brad Skraha, Nick Bagshaw, Bernie Hales, Peter Johnston, Nigel Sprigg, Stuart Coole, Grant Robertson, Jim Bagshaw, David Fortune, Geoff Dalton, Ben Webb

Apologies: Peter House, Paul Reilly, Wayde Robertson, John Rowe, Charlie Caldwell

1.1 Previous Minutes:

1.2 Treasurers Report:

Moved: Grant Robertson Seconded: Ben Webb Carried

1.3 Correspondence:

1.4 All Committee Positions are declared Open and Vacant

New Committee Elected for 2023/2024

FCO Nominated: Geoff Dalton Moved: Brad Skraha Seconded: Grant Robertson Accepted

FCO: Geoff Dalton

Deputy FCO Nominated: Nick Bagshaw Moved: Brad Skraha Seconded: Bernie Hales Accepted

Deputy FCO: Nick Bagshaw

Secretary/ Treasurer: Nick and Paula Bagshaw

General Business:

2.1 General Update

- Plant and equipment – We applied for toolbox via a Western Power grant and this was successful. We will apply for a second off shoot to fill trucks. Thermal cameras are available through ESL funding. If more funding becomes available, we will make further applications.
- Radios
- Banking – Add Geoff to banking details in the coming months.
- Training – Brad and Nick attended plantation training

2.2 Membership Update

- New or departed members (if any): Add Brett Kinsman
- PPE Order – update from shire – please place order with secretary

2.4 Mitigation

- Nothing planned as yet

2.5 SUBS – review

- Send an email out with banking details

KENNINUP BUSH FIRE BRIGADE

2.6 Fire Reports

- House's header fire, Caldwell's header fire. Alisdair – pole top fire, road verges deliberately lit, Bagshaw's – pole top fire, Skraha – lightning strike.

2.7 Plant and equipment (see spreadsheet) Update

2.8 Emergency Fuel Card Scheme

- Peter Johnston to use and reimburse the brigade \$800.

OTHER:

WhatsApp review/additions? Brett Kinsman

New permit books limiting burning with winds and temperate to be monitored prior to lighting up. This needs to be looked into.

Dave Fortune to follow up on fire mitigation – in relation to bush blocks – Coole and Robertson blocks and Hack Road Reserve.

Organise a pre-season BBQ in October/November.

The meeting closed at 8:40pm

ACTIONS TO BE COMPLETED:

- Add Geoff to banking details
- Add Brett Kinsman contact details
- Update KBFB Radio and contact sheet
- New permit books – follow up
- Dave Fortune – Follow up on fire mitigation
- Organise pre-season BBQ

Kulikup Bush Fire Brigade

AGM 2023

Meeting Opened: 7.10pm

Present: Dave Fortune, Martin Carroll, Hayden Bock, Anthony Marsh, Alison Phillips, Gordon Coote, Brad Fairbrass, Buchanan Gibbs, Trevor Douglas, Trevor Bock and Kirstie Clark.

Apologies: Nick Coote, David Forrester, Les Elliott, Wayne Stevenson, Nigel Sprigg and Trevor Clark.

Last Minutes: Last minutes from AGM 2022 read passed by Brad Fairbrass 2nd Gordon Coote.

Matters Arising from Minutes: Chemical can be acquired from the Shire for verges where viewing is necessary. Some training courses have been completed by some members.

Trevor Bock arrived 7.15pm

Financial Report: Passed Gordon Coote 2nd Brad Fairbrass.

Fire Control Officer Report: Was a quite year again which is good. Thank you to members who attended fires in other areas and helped with the fires. The 3 new radios installed work well and make communication more reliable. There are funds available to the Brigade for the burns in reserves surrounding Kulikup. We have access to a Infer Red camera to see hot spots in fires. Verge spraying is a great idea and an alternative to verge burning. Shire is responsible for the fire breaks for the reserve burns.

Election of Office Bearers:

President: Trevor Douglas nominated by Brad Fairbrass 2nd Gordon Coote

Vice President: Anthony Marsh nominated by Brad Fairbrass 2nd Buchanan Gibbs

Secretary/Treasurer: Kirstie Clark nominated by Anthony Marsh 2nd Gordon Coote

Fire Control Officer: Brad Fairbrass nominated by Trevor Bock 2nd Buchanan Gibbs

Deputy Fire Control Officer: Hayden Bock nominated by Martin Carroll 2nd Alison Phillips

Captain: Anthony Marsh nominated by Trevor Bock 2nd by Trevor Douglas

Lieutenants: Mick Keightley (Senior), Derek Lloyd, Buchanan Gibbs and Rick Twigg nominated by Hayden Bock 2nd Trevor Douglas

General Business:

Members asked if some radios where still available to be purchased, can be brought individually if members would like but the radio remains the property of the Kulikup Brigade.

Spray Chemical from the Shire – Brad to ask if this is still happening.

Trevor Bock put forward Motion – “Invoices to be sent to all land holders in the Kulikup Fire Brigade area for Subs (\$20) for the Brigade” Carried – Kirstie to ask the Boyup Brook Shire for a list of residents to send invoices out.

Money available to the Brigade if the reserve burns are done by members of the Brigade.

When members attend a fire they become a Shire employee for insurance purposes for the time of the fire.

Members asked if Kulikup Fire Brigade could apply for a water tank for the area.

Letters to go with the invoices to explain the purpose of the Subs.

Meeting Closed: 8.05pm

MAYANUP BUSH FIRE BRIGADE

Minutes of AGM meeting held on Thursday 27th April 2023 at Mayanup Hall

MEETING OPENED: 7.06 PM

PRESENT: Ben Creek, Chris Coole, Kim Henderson, J Coulson,
Peter Reid, Joel O'Neill, Dave Fortune, Jo Melville

APOLOGIES: C Reid, A Reid, E Creek, J Pottinger, N Parker, M Francke, J Johnston, M Huisman.

MINUTES: Secretary Jo Melville read out the minutes of the 2022 general meeting and AGM.

There being no amendments, the motion was put that the minutes as read, are Accepted as a true and correct record of the 2022 AGM and General meeting.

Moved: P Reid, 2nd K Henderson : Carried

BUSINESS ARISING:

- Ben still hasn't used the fuel account however has paid the \$1000 into the MBFB account.
- BBQ and inspection of fire units was a very successful afternoon/ evening Secretary to organise another one mid November 2023.
- Ben has purchased a list of items for the Mayanup fire trailer and still has not been reimbursed. The trailer is at Bens place.
- Boots are available for those on the fire ground. See the Shire. Unsure about masks, gloves etc.
- Mayanup Brigade cannot get more radios from the Shire; however Dave Fortune noted that if you purchase a radio on your own accord it will *always* remain the brigade's radio.
If you purchase a VHF radio you must go through FESA.
- Matte and Jo have received their fire radios

CORRESPONDENCE: Inward: Various messages from "Whats App"
Letter from FESA stating a Helitac course be at the airstrip. Members were encouraged to attend

Outward: Message members (notice of AGM), "Whats App messages

Moved: C Coole, K Henderson Passed

TREASURER'S REPORT: Opening Balance as at 01/12/22 : \$3908.38 Closing: \$1775.68

- Accounts paid \$2064.70 DJ Communications
\$ 68.00 AGM Refreshments
Moved: P Reid, 2nd K Henderson
- Subs to remain the same \$10. Secretary to inform members of bank details so as to direct credit

FCO REPORT:

- Ben thanked everybody for all the help throughout the fire season, stating that there were no major fires in our district this being due to quick responses and good communication.
- The “Whats App” seems to be doing a good job with everyone agreeable.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Secretary to organise another Bbq and unit inspection mid November.
- Ben suggested acknowledging previous Mayanup fire brigade members who have gone above and beyond their duties. Meeting discussed what date to go back to and it was decided 2000 and beyond. Among People mentioned were Bram Huisman, Lenny Halstrom, Anthony Moulton, Kevin Henderson, Iain Parker, Neville Parker, Jim Pottinger. Secretary to organise a wooden board and plaques, and will liaise with Ben and members as to who else could be entitled.
- Dave fortune mentioned a central area to lodge a fire truck for Mayanup and Tweed brigade; a shed will need to be built which would include a toilet. Dave believes this would be a great asset to the area. All in favour.
- Dave mentioned the DFES –Mitigation Activity Fund (MAF) funding to burn the Mayanup reserve, which means the brigade will be paid quarterly to burn the reserve; this is from the ESL levy.

• ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

FIRE CONTROL OFFICER: Ben Creek Passed

DEPUTY FIRE CONTROL OFFICER: Matt Francke Passed

SECRETARY/TREASURER : Jo Melville Passed

Notice of next AGM To Be Advised

Closed 7.52pm

McAlinden Bush Fire Brigade
Annual General Meeting Minutes
30th April 2023

Opening

The 2023 AGM of the McAlinden Bush Fire Brigade was opened at 5:13pm in the McAlinden Hall by Dave Fortune.

Present

Dave Fortune (42), Nick and Ann-Marie Bass (21), Kieran Power (41), Devon and Wendy Kirk (10), Glenn and Tegan Kirk (11), Darren and Naomi Van der Wielan (14), Tony Clarke (18), Ian Faed (19), Sharon Tedore (20), Bernie Hales (22), Craig Friend (26), Peter, Kim and Dee Blackburn (28), Natasha and Alex Sunderland (33), Courtney Bishop (34), Mark Wood (35), Lisa McBeth (38), Jodi Wildy (40), Tim and Kylie Bleechmore (43), Nicky and Jack Campbell (44), Stephen Parker (45), Josh Stretch (N/M), Nathan and Natasha Harley (N/M).

Apologies

Steve Standish (1), Ranjit Bhadra Singh (4), Tom Hoddell (5), David Graham (12), Bill and Michael Hurst (15), Tony and Jess (22), Lindsay Garrard (27), Janine Wooding (32), Ron Wood and Sue Begbie (36), Dan Wildy (40), Michael O'Neill, Andrew Ricetti (N/M).

No Reply – (N/M means Not McAlinden)

David Rees (2), Tom Kierath and Travis Gorman (3), Stephen Bell (6), Stephen Potter (7), Mel McAndrews (Found out tonight I have been sending to the incorrect number)(8), Rob Haworth (9), Hugo Bombara (13+24), Deb Ryan and Brian Flynn (17), Ken and Tania Hart (obtained contact details this evening)(29), John Beams (30), Karri Davies (no details)(31), Roger Anderson.

Previous Minutes

Previous Minutes read out by Dave Fortune, moved by Stephen Parker, Seconded by Natasha Harley.

Business Arising

Kylie Bleechmore asked about water in the plantations, Dave said he wants one big cell, possibly near Cootamundra, this would give good access from either direction and from a bitumen Road, the plantation people want to use their existing tanks within their plantation, but Dave said no, they need to be more accessible, given the concerns about entering a plantation on fire. Tim Bleechmore asked, shouldn't the water be in place before the trees/pines are planted? The answer is yes as a planning condition but it is not policed. Jodi Wildy asked about how much water they need to provide, Dave said 25,000L as a minimum per plantation but that it does not mention how big a plantation. He said we need to keep pushing them for whatever more they are willing to provide.

Following the Rayner Family's offer to donate \$500 this was very kindly increased to \$1000.00

There was a motion about Life Membership and Honour boards and Natasha Harley will present them in General Business.

FCO Report – Dave Fortune

Dave said there were no fires for the last two years and only minor issues to report, so well done and stay on the ball.

Deputy Report – Kieran Power

Nothing to report.

Treasurers Report – Ann-Marie Bass

Ann-Marie read out the Financial Report, including the \$1000 donation from the Rayner family, the Honour Plaques, and the cost of purchasing/installing the radio in Kirk's vehicle.

Ann-Marie also mentioned that the bank account is not making any money and suggested that the Term Deposit and Transaction account be changed to a different Bank.

Motion for Ann-Marie Bass to close the Commonwealth Bank Term Deposit and open a new Transaction and or Savings Account and Term Deposit with Unity Bank. Ann-Marie Bass and Dave Fortune to control as any one to operate.

Moved By Tim Bleechmore All in Favour.

Correspondence In and Out - See attachment

General Business

Dave commented on our brigade's fantastic attendance, he shared his appreciation for all our members' attendance. He has been attending other local brigade's meetings and there is a noticeable lack of attendance in some brigades.

He mentioned it is a shame that a few big farmers/farms have now been sold, and will now become Pine Plantations. He thanked those that attended the Plantation Fire Fighting Course. I mentioned that Donna was still trying to organise training for the newcomers, and she had asked for the Noggerup Hall's contact details as a possible venue (as our hall does not have power).

Dave also mentioned the changes in our community, with the Shine, Wooding, Harley and Rayners all leaving in the last two years. Dave believes it is now even more important to being a close knit community, to keep everyone safe.

Sharon asked why we don't have training days/events, Dave said that we all have our own things on (time poor) but we could call him if we want to know anything, or if you need training he will find out what courses are coming up. It was suggested for another pre fire season get together in early November.

Dave had been told that the block down Wooding Road was having a lot of vehicles/campers going in and out, Peter Blackburn mentioned they had a website that said they had camping sites for rent. Craig mentioned that he went over there in his fire uniform to say there is no fires allowed out of season. Dave said that if the landowner wants to have these types of events, he needs Shire approval, Peter mentioned they had campfires in March (out of season).

When I (Ann-Marie) commented we had new owners of a few blocks around McAlinden, Dave thought that it could have been the new owner of two blocks from Wooding's Property, Lindsay that could be the problem. Upon referring to the Map, we realised that it was not Lindsay at (27) it was in fact Ken Hart at (29). Dave would like to apologise to Lindsay for thinking it was him. We sincerely apologise for this bout of mistaken identity.

Dave mentioned we have applied for MAF funding. Pending approval in July.

If successful Firebreaks will be installed and burning will be scheduled in to burn the T-Junction around Wooding Road, and surrounding the McAlinden Hall next Autumn. Dave wants to burn Chapman Road on both sides. Greg (FPC) has said they are planning to plant a different species of pines around the outside of the plots so they can burn the needle bed for fire management. Let's see if they do?

We welcomed Natasha and Alex Sunderland into Wooding Road (33), previously George and Linda Stads property. Alex mentioned he was previously with DEC and is now working with Worsley, he can also drive the Fire truck.

Ian Faed commented on his work with CALM and being a Forrest Officer for 10 years, he offered insight regarding what to do in and around your property to be fire ready, he said please give me a call if you want any advice?

Sharon T, mentioned that FPC were going to show people how to get out of Chapman Rd in the event of a fire, this has still not been done. Peter mentioned that as there is a couple of turns through the farm to get out, that if you didn't do it regularly that you could forget where to go and as the trees grow it will start to look different. I asked if we could petition to get the gazetted road put though but they said no. Sharon T, mentioned that Sharon Jones (FPC) told them to go through and follow the power lines, Ian said if they go that way, they are likely to get bogged.

Natasha Harley came up to present the Honour boards for recognition of Stephen Harley, Peter Wooding and Laurie Shine. She mentioned they have a 1900's map with the original land holders that we could put up in the hall.

Jack Campbell mentioned that the WhatsApp page was more like a general chit chat than a Fire Alert and could we have another page that is just for emergencies. Ann-Marie said she would organise another page, so we can have one for the Community and one for emergencies.

It was mentioned by Nathan Harley that we should be inviting FPC to the meetings. (I thought I had included them in the email but while preparing these minutes I checked the email, and their names were not there - my apologies).

Nathan Harley mentioned that they are leaving the McAlinden area after many generations due to work and family commitments. Dave thanked them on behalf of the McAlinden Community for their incredible efforts over a long period of time and wished them well for the future.

Peter asked about guidelines for planting/plantations, they keep changing the goal posts.

Nathan mentions he had a cannon and a few fittings and some uniforms to give back. He said he would drop them off.

Darren Vanderwielan asked if the prescribed burn for the Goonac Reserve was actually going to go ahead this year. We have been sent this same letter for the last 10 years or so and it has not happened so far.

There was mention of Funding for the Hall, and a suggestion about power being connected. Jodi Wildy mentioned unless there was an account that the electricity bill could come out of that they wouldn't go ahead. Dave said we would be better off getting a generator instead of power. Lisa also commented about the power situation. Dave said the Shire was going to organise a meeting with the McAlinden Hall Progress Association (Ammie Wood at the time) to discuss what needed fixing. Mark told us of a few things that have been suggested eg: new water tank, kitchen, this responsibility has now been handed to Courtney Bishop.

I also told everyone that a new family, Tony, Jessica, Sophie and new baby Amelia, have moved into Cootamundra (22).

Dave mentioned we will need a handyman to put up the Honour Boards and possibly the map.

Dave declared all the positions open, I asked both him and Kieran if they are still happy to stay in their positions and they said yes, as did I.

Election of Office Bearers

FCO	Tim Bleechmore	nominated	Dave Fortune	All in Favour
Deputy	Glenn Kirk	nominated	Kieran Power	All in Favour
Secretary	Sharon Tedore	nominated	Ann-Marie Bass	All in Favour

A question was asked about memberships fees, Dave mentioned there was a \$10 fee at Mayanup and at Kulikup there was a motion moved and seconded to charge \$20 for those that turned up and \$50 for those that didn't. Nothing was determined.

Ann-Marie mentioned that yet again Dave donated the sausages and buns, and the Bass family supplied the jellies, drinks (for the kids) and condiments for the BBQ.

Sharon asked if we do any fundraising. Dave said we could put in \$10 per member/family for a get together in October/November, if that was what people want? There was no vote for this.

Meeting Closed at 6:13pm.

Mickalurup Bush Fire Brigade AGM. 9th May 2023.

Held at Rylington Park.

Meeeing opened 1840hrs

Record of attendance:

D.Chapman FCO

R. Forbes Dep FCO

G.Askew

K.Askew

S.Kay

H.Wass

T.VanZyuden

T.R.Forbes

T.M.Forbes

K.Stokke

D.Fortune Communications Officer, X Ray Team, Boyup Brook.

C.Graham

H.Graham

L.Meeking {Sec}

M.Deas

E.Deas

Apologies:

R.Forbes

P.Oldham

A.Askew

Welcome to Meeting by Darren Chapman.

2. Confirmation of minutes from previous meeting held 19/5/2022

Moved R.J.Forbes, Seconded T.R.Forbes. Accepted D.Chapman

3. Financial Statement as of May5th is \$5,743.32

4. General Business. D.Chapman

Thankfully the last season was an easy one without too much fire related business. D.Chapman Thanked everyone who had attended the various fires that did occur

General Business.

Dave Fortune had come to discuss communication changes coming up.

New digital band radios now costing brigades around \$2,300.00 to install.

Brigade in need of 2 more radios; 1 for new members K.Askew and S.Kay who will be Mickalurup nos 8 and 9 respectively.

DFES now control all the installation of fire radios and these are fitted by Darryl Church

Names and Numbers are as follows for those with radios:

D.Chapman Mickalurup 1. FCO

Jamie Forbes Mickalurup 2 Capt.

Glen Askew	..	3	
R.Forbes	..	4	
J.Potter	..	5	
C.Graham	..	6	
M.Deas	..	7	
K.Askew	..	8	Awaits new radio as nominated by meeting.
Stuart.Kay	..	9	Awaits new radio also nominated.

Fast Fill Trailer now ready and currently stored at D.Chapman, Westbourne Road East. It is hoped that this unit can be stored at Rylington Park in the future when some shed space can be arranged.

The need to nominate a brigade member to attend to filling and maintenance of trailer is needed but no nomination was forthcoming.

New Membership needed by K.Askew. tba by Darren Chapman

Complaints from some of our members regarding the lighting up of bush with no prior warning by DBCA. These are mitigation fires and have been applied for for the past 3 years by Mickalurup FCO. Very inconvenient for some members who were adjacent to the bush in question who would have appreciated some warning. A member of this mitigation burn team did appear to advise property owner but it was after the bush had been ignited.

FCO Darren Chapman to bring this to the attention of those in question and request something to be done about it.

Dave Fortune: new Permit Books will probably be in use next year

Darren Chapman FCO: will get quotes on new radios and installation for K.Askew and S.Kay and let them know over winter period.

Dave Fortune: to look into funding for mitigation burning on UCL land to raise some funds for the brigade as other brigades have done.

Hayley Wass volunteered to locate and identify land in question.

Nominations for new office bearers. Nil nominations made so present officers remain.

No further business arising.

Meeting closed 19.23hrs

ADDENDUM:

Whats app is a successful way of members communicating via the use of this app on mobile phones. Probably need whole brigade to be up with this. It is efficient, costs nil and easy to use.

People to be contacted re this are:

Stuart Kay , Jamie Forbes, Hayley Graham and Harold Wass

NOLLAJUP FIRE BRIGADE MINUTES
08th MAY 2023, 7.30PM
HESTERS SHEARING SHED

PRESENT

M Gifford, M Hester, A Hester, T Willett, D Stringer, M Introvigne, R Introvigne, R Bass, R Gifford, N Thompson, D Hallett, D Gibbs, C Meredith, C Nield, Ken Culverwell, C Darke, Josh Stretch, Connor DeCampo,

APOLOGIES

G Aird, D Nield, K Nield, T Mead, G Miller, T Introvigne, M Stretch

1. PREVIOUS MINUTES

M/ R Gifford S/ M Introvigne

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- We have obtained a good quality foot valve for high volume pump through the shire.
- N Thompson has received a new two way and will continue with the call sign Nollajup 6.

3. REPORTS

3.1 FCO Report - Marcus Gifford

- Firstly I would like to thank Mick Hester for looking after our brigade. He does a great job in keeping all our members up to date and informed. He organises all the safety gear that anyone requires and keeps our finances on track. Thank you and well done.

- The Nollajup members attended quite a few fires in this reporting period. The main one being the Bridgetown fire last year. Other fires included, Banks Rd, Chillwell's property and some attended a fire near Yornup. Apart from the Bridgetown fire most of the other fires were started by lightning.

- Marcus read out his letter that we sent to all members in October 2022. And the letter went as follows;

Firstly I would like to thank everyone that was involved in the Bridgetown Fire earlier this year. It was a testament to the brigade and the Boyup district fire fighting ability which is often taken for granted by those outside the area.

The main two issues to bring to your attention as an FCO are both obviously fire related and more specifically attending fires in either bush reserves managed by Gov appointed departments and secondly attending fires in plantations (either blue gums or pines).

The legalities of attending such fires and more specifically my role in directing those under my responsibility to attend such fires are unfortunately becoming more complicated.

The consequences for me directing members into a situation where they are not technically qualified or prepared can run into quite serious penalties if the unthinkable happened and someone lost their life or were seriously injured in the process.

With regard to bush and plantation fires the shire is planning on running courses in Oct for members to be "qualified" or accredited to legally attend plantation fires.

It would seem to the best of my knowledge that without the completion of this course and the availability of an accredited vehicle with deluge burn over protection and safety equipment I would not recommend attending a plantation fire yourselves and I won't obviously be directing you to attend for legal and safety reasons.

Attending mopping up operations after burn through are less of an issue but I have reservations personally on this front after witnessing several close calls over the last 30 years from falling trees and limbs. Something we will be discussing going forward.

The purpose of this email is not to convey my opinion on these matters but simply to give you the information you need to understand my "incident response" parameters and to direct you towards the training being provided if you wish as a volunteer to attend to gain plantation accreditation which could well be valuable in the future.

I'm happy to discuss details with any individuals that may have concerns but obviously our foremost goal is to keep everyone safe on the fireground while also avoiding the possible legal implications that can be directed toward those responsible for your movements and wellbeing on the fireground.

3.2 TREASURERS REPORT

- See Attached

M/ R Intovigne S/ D Hallett

4. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

It was put forward that all office bearers remain the same and we move all of them in one block. All agreed. Therefor office bearers are;

FCO -	M Gifford
Deputy -	R Introvigne
Sec/Tresur -	M Hester
Delegates -	M Gifford, R Introvigne, M Hester

M/ C Meredith S/ M Introvigne Carried.

5. GENERAL BUSINESS

5.1 - M Introvigne asked is there any updates or changes to the rules in attending “plantation fires” since your letter was emailed out? At this point Marcus said no, but will get clarification from the fire advisory meeting.

5.2 - R Gifford asked can we get clarification on what the shire insurance means and what does it cover? Do you need to have completed some basic training? Do you need a FESA ID number for example? Is there an age limit? Marcus will also ask these questions at fire advisory meeting.

5.3 - R Introvigne has heard the Green/Yellow slip-ons that require straps to hold them down are banned. Can we find out if this is correct? Marcus will follow that up.

5.4 - Our high volume pump requires a second high quality foot valve for the second pump. The second pump also requires an extra 6 – 7 metres of suction hose. M Hester will get that organised.

5.5 - There has been plenty of discussion in the past on why aren’t slip-ons covered by ESL funding? One of the main reasons mentioned is that the policing on how they are attached to a vehicle is too hard. Another reason is that they can be used for other jobs around the farm that is not fire fighting related. It was mentioned that if they were funded by ESL there would be too many rules and regulations that come with it. We are better off funding our own equipment and that way we keep full control on why and how it is used.

Meeting closed 8.40pm

Scotts Brook Fire Volunteer Fire Brigade

2023 Annual General Meeting

28th April 2023

Meeting Opened:

7:30pm

Present:

Charles Caldwell, Andy M^cElroy, Ben Thompson, Grant Robertson, Reggie LeFebvre, Stuart Coole, Wayde Robertson, Tom Hack, Darren Chapman, Dylan Roney.

Visitors:

Dave Fortune

Apologies:

Paul Brookmann, McKenzi Nix, Courtney Knapp, Greg Staniford-Smith.

2022 AGM Minutes:

Accepted.

Proposed – Tom Hack. Seconded – Ben Thompson. Carried

Correspondence:

E-mails regarding

- Western Power grant applications, for which we were unsuccessful.
- McKenzi Nix – New member
- Training

New member form from Dylan Roney

Office Bearers:

Office bearers positions declared vacant. Grant suggested no change. Existing Office bearers agreed to another year.

Scotts 1 - FCO 1: Charles Caldwell

Scotts 2 - FCO 2: Wayde Robertson

Secretary: Andy M^cElroy

Proposed – Grant Robertson. Seconded – Darren Chapman. Carried

Finance Report:

Bank Statement for year to 28th Feb 2023 reviewed and accepted.

Ben and Andy to investigate changing to an online account and card rather than chequebook,

Proposed – Tom Hack. Seconded – Darren Chapman. Carried

FCO End of Season Report:

Charles reported that we only had a call out in Scotts Brook for Charles and Waydes properties.

Good roll up by members to fires outside the Scotts Brook area.

No problems with permits

Call Signs & Radios:

Existing call signs to stay as for 2021/22 season.

Dylan Roney will be Scotts 9. Dave Fortune to arrange radio for Dylan.

Proposed – Ben Thompson. Seconded – Wayde Robertson. Carried

General Business:

PPE - Charles had extra PPE available for members that needed it.

Fuel Card – DFES have provided a Caltex fuel card again this year to the value of \$1,000.00 for each local brigade. As in 2022 the card is to be split at \$100.00 for each radio holder including Dylan. Each member to contribute \$50.00 the brigade bank account. The fuel is to be used by 30th June 2022. Ben has activated the card at Boyup Brook Tyre Service. Andy is to advise if any members have not paid for last year and provide bank details for this year's payment.

Proposed – Tom Hack. Seconded – Wayde Robertson. Carried

Fast Fill Trailer – Wayde has changed the pump discharge hose coupling to make assembly easier. The Layflat discharge hose has a pinhole leak. The shire will supply a new hose. Andy to get quote for the Ranger and follow up to make sure we get the new hose. Discussion re poor service job done by Shire Works Depot.

Suggested Brigade members service the Fast Fill trailer themselves before next fire season. This was put forward as a motion.

Proposed – Darren Chapman. Seconded – Wayde Robertson . Carried

DFES Fire Mitigation programme – No more burns in Scotts Brook area this year. Dave Fortune advised there will be an area in Chowerup to be burnt next season. This will be shared between a number of brigades to share the funding.

Roll Call – Charles reminded members to try and take part in the fire season Monday morning roll call.

Radios – General discussion regarding radios

PF Olsen – General discussion regarding the location of the PF Olsen fire unit, if it is available to the brigade and if so who will use it. Do we want to use it?

Dylan Roney offered to make his excavator available for use during fires. Andy to follow up with the Shire and Dylan what is required to make this happen.

BFAC AGM

This year's meeting is planned for 23 May 2023. Brigade members asked for the following items to be brought up at the meeting

- Fast fill trailers servicing be taken away from shire and individual brigades service their own trailers.
- Permits should have a condition that burn advice is put out on the brigade WhatsApp as well as on the radio.
- Clarification on the ranger position and which Ranger should be contacted for brigade business
- FCO WhatsApp group needs better communication on permits, movement bans, etc.

Other Business.

No other business

Meeting Closed:

8:30pm

Tonebridge Fire Brigade

AGM

21 May 2023

Opened 7:00 pm

Attendance - Matt Della Gola, Bob Bruce, Ross Lily, David Turner, Ronald Tuckett.

Apologies - Richard Turner, Les Plunkett, Dean Phillips

Confirmation of Previous Minutes – Moved: David Turner Seconded: Matt Della Gola
Passed.

Business Arising from Previous Minutes - Non

Correspondence – Fire Awareness Training on Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 May 2023. All new members are recommended to complete this training.

Fire information and Firebreak Notice.

Memorandum of Understanding from PF Olsen

Request from Bush fire advisory committee to update contact list

Election for all office Bearer -

FCO – Matt Della Gola (Tone 1) Nominated David Turner Second Ross Lily Accepted

Deputy FCO – David Turner (Tone 2) Nominated Ronald Tuckett Second Bob Bruce Accepted

Secretary – Ross Lily Nominated David Turner Second Ronald Tuckett Accepted

Catering – Kate Turner Nominated David Turner Second Ross Lily Accepted

General Business

There is a issue of obtaining contact details of absentee land owners in case of fire and emergency and of fire mitigation works. FCO's need this information.

How do we obtain this information? In case of a emergency, having to contact ranger is not practical and fast enough.

Meeting Closed at 7:45pm

WEST BOYUP BROOK BUSF FIRE BRIGADE
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
APRIL 26 2023
Meeting Opened 7.00pm

Present: Greg Hales, Damon Treloar, Ross Parker, Philippe Kaltenreider, Josh Bleeckmore
Brian Cailes (Chair), Graham Calley (Sec.)

Apologies: Daisy Ricetti

Previous Minutes: Read and accepted on the motion of G Hales, R Parker

Business Arising: All members present have received PPE from the Shire
The signage for the approaches to the Special Rural Areas is at the fire station but has not been erected, Brian to investigate.
The annual assembly of fire fighting vehicles to acquaint all members of their operation has not happened. Suggested it should be held when the new fire truck arrives.

FCO Report: Two fires were attended, one a pole top and one started by an angle grinder and burned a couple of acres
A new fire station is planned for a location in the Special Rural Area as yet not determined. It is intended that this shed should be equipped with washing facilities and should be under the control of the West Boyup Brigade but available for use by other brigades if needed. A grant for this shed has been approved.
The new fire truck chosen is the light version since it is more manoeuvrable than the heavy truck. It will be necessary for members to become familiar with the dials and buttons to operate the equipment since they are numerous.

Secretary's Report: Some material comes in from FESA and can be forwarded if members are interested. It usually seems to have little application to our members.

Treasurer's Report: The only activity on the account was the purchase of the radio for Damon at cost of \$2106.50 leaving us with \$2526.05. We earn five cents a month from interest.

Reports were accepted on the motion of G Hales/ P Kaltenreider.

Election of Office Holders.

FCO : Brian Cailes nominated by R Parker/P Kaltenreider - Elected
Deputy FCO; Ross Parker nominated P Kaltenreider/ J Bleeckmore - Elected
Secretary/Treasurer: Graham Calley nominated B Cailes/P kaltenreider - Elected

General Business: Respirators are also available from the Shire for active members.

Meeting closed 7.30 pm

Supplementary Note: Ranger Donnah Forsyth stated after the meeting that a new fire shed was a suggestion only without plan or approval. Water connection for a washing machine in the existing shed is approved and the work has been contracted to Russel Squires.



Shire of Boyup Brook

FIRE INFORMATION & FIREBREAK NOTICE

2023 - 2024

**KNOW YOUR BUSHFIRE RESPONSIBILITY
PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE COMPLETELY AND CAREFULLY
If in doubt, contact the Shire of Boyup Brook or your local brigade**

FOR ALL BUSHFIRES REFER TO BRIGADE CONTACT DETAILS

FOR ALL TOWN FIRES CONTACT 000

DATES YOU MUST REMEMBER

Prohibited Burning Time

21 November in each year to **28 February** the following year, both dates inclusive

Restricted Burning Times (PERMITS REQUIRED)

9 October to **20 November** in each year, both dates inclusive and **1 March** to **30 April** in each year, both dates inclusive. (Note 1. May be varied due to seasonal changes)

Period during which mobile firefighting power unit required when harvesting

15 November to **15 April** (The responsibility to supply the unit being that of the landholder)

Automatic harvesting and total movement ban

CHRISTMAS DAY

Burning of Garden Refuse or lighting of open-air Camping or Cooking fires is banned during prohibited times and a permit is required during restricted times.

21 November to 28 February each year, both dates inclusive.

(Permit required 9 October to 20 November and 1 March to 30 April)

Firebreaks must be installed by

30 November

Note –

1. Restricted Burning Times and Prohibited Burning Times may be varied due to seasonal changes. Variations will be advertised in a local newspaper and on the Shire's website. It is the responsibility of owners and occupiers of land to ensure they are aware of any variations.
2. The Department of Fire and Emergency Services may declare a total fire ban. Such a declaration overrides any other authority. Total fire bans are advertised on the Department's website and broadcast on ABC radio. Information can also be obtained on the Department's Total Fire Ban Information Line 1800 709 355.

RESTRICTED BURNING TIMES

Burning without a permit is prohibited during any restricted burning time. To obtain a permit an application must be made to the relevant Brigade Fire Control Officer (see contact list). Unless permitted by the Chief Bush Fire Officer, permits for hazard reduction of bush will not be issued before 1 April.

A permit holder must -

- (a) no more than 28 days nor less than 4 days prior to commencing the burn, give notice of the intention to burn –
 - (i) to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (on 08 9395 9209);
 - (ii) if the land is to be burned within 3 km of a State forest or timber reserve, to the nearest Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions Office (Kirup 9731 6232 or Manjimup 9771 7988); and
 - (iii) to the owner or occupier of any adjoining land;
- (b) comply with all conditions on the permit;
- (c) ensure he or she is aware of their obligations and responsibilities under section 18 of the *Bush Fires Act 1954* and regulation 15B of the *Bush Fire Regulations 1954* (as detailed on the reverse of the permit) during any restricted burning times.

PROHIBITED BURNING TIMES

All open-air burning is prohibited during any Prohibited Burning Time.

Note: subterranean clover may be burned during a prohibited burning time but only in accordance with a permit issued by the Chief Bushfire Control Officer.

VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT

HARVEST AND TOTAL MOVEMENT BANS

The Shire may declare a harvest and total movement ban at any time during a restricted or prohibited burning time. **Christmas Day** in each year is automatically a day on which a harvest and total movement ban is in force.

It is prohibited to use any vehicle with a combustion engine '**off road**' during any period for which a harvest and total movement ban has been declared.

This includes any form of fuelled motor device such as, but not limited to –

- aircraft (which, except in an emergency, can only take-off or land on a cleared roadway)
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BUSH FIRES ACT 1954 SEC 33 ONLY

BFAC 23 May 2023 the committee is requested to review Notice and provide feedback

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2023 - 2024

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FOR ALL BUSHFIRES REFER TO BRIGADE CONTACT DETAILS

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DATES YOU MUST REMEMBER

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Period during which mobile firefighting power unit required when harvesting

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Automatic harvesting and total movement ban

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(Permit required 9 October to 20 November and 1 March to 30 April)

Firebreaks must be installed by

30 November

Note –

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VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT

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Boyup Brook Shire BFAC Meeting, 23rd May 2023

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Have been burning on other estate.

ALCOA yet to commence Native Forest Heaps in the mining envelope.

2. Prescribed Burning Planned 2023-24

The District has recently completed initial scheduling/ planning for the 2023-24 season. Incomplete burns from Autumn and new burns have been reviewed and re-allocated.

3. Bushfires

111 bushfires recorded for the District (1 in Boyup Brook Shire).

Thankyou to the Brigades for all your efforts with your local fires and the essential assistance with Departmental and DFES fires.

4. Staff/ Staff Changes

District Fire Coordinator Collie – Allan Madgwick (0409 278 435) acting for next 6 months with possibility of extension.

Fire Operations Officer Harvey – Darren Harvey (0428 552 793).

Fire Operations Officer Collie – vacant.

Assistant Fire Operations Officer Collie – vacant.

FMDP Officer Collie – vacant.

End of Report.

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Shire of Boyup Brook BFAC DFES Report – May 2023

The DFES Lower South West Region has been active with incidents, with staff assisting Local Shires and DBCA with the management of 6 Level 2 Incidents this fire season. These include the Noggerup, Donnybrook Complex and Yornup fires and most recently the Ashcroft Rd fire in Greenbushes. We would like to recognise the support from all the Shire's emergency services that come out to assist with these incidents, as well as the support and effort from the Shire CEO and staff who have contributed to the Incident Support Group during these significant fires.

Several Total Fire Bans have been put on this fire season across the Region. Some of them have occurred under conditions where some may not have expected a Total Fire Ban to be in place. The new Australian Fire Danger Rating System (AFDRS) looks at the actual fuel loading (age) and type and this is causing a higher Fire Danger Rating to be issued than what has previously been experienced. We are seeking feedback from the Shire and Fire Control Officers on issues that have been identified as part of the new AFDRS. If FCO's or Brigade members wish to make personal submissions on the new AFDRS, these can be emailed through to afdrs@dfes.wa.gov.au

Training and Exercises

Unfortunately, a scheduled helitak demonstration and ground controller refresher was cancelled in December 2022 due to the forecasted weather, and the aircraft were dispatched to Donnybrook later that day. The training was able to be carried out on Monday 20th March in Boyup Brook, with a good turnout of volunteers recorded.

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Local Government	Treatment ID	Treatment Type	Treatment Objective	Treatment Area (ha)	Treatment Length (km)	Recurring Treatment	Date Scheduled	Primary Asset ID	Primary Asset Name	Asset Category	Asset Sub Category	(Priority) Risk Rating
Boyup Brook	5999	Planned Burning	Conduct Hazzard Separation Burn for Condinup Homestead - by reducing the fuel loading to less than 8t Ha across 90% of planned area. Asset ID - BBDNP137	17.89	3.138	No	01/06/2024	BBDNP0137	Condinup Homestead	Human Settlement	Residential	2A
Boyup Brook	25152	Planned Burning	Create an Asset Protection Zone for Timber Bridge on Jayes Road by conducting a planned burn to reduce the fuel load to <5 or 8 tph over 80 or 90% of the area. Asset Id -BBBBT0062	11.264	1.35	No	15/04/2024	BBBBT0062	BRIDGE - BOYUP BROOK - ARTHUR RIVER RD #745	Economic	Critical Infrastructure	3A
Boyup Brook	25153	Planned Burning	Conduct Asset Protection Burn for Traffic Bridge/Critical Infrastructure - by reducing the fuel loading to less than 8t Ha across 90% of planned area. Asset ID - BBDNP021	17.582	1.839	No	19/05/2024	BBDNP0021	BRIDGE - BOYUP BROOK - ARTHUR RIVER RD #743	Economic	Critical Infrastructure	3A
Boyup Brook	25154	Planned Burning	Conduct Mosaic Asset Protection Burn for Traffic Bridge/Critical Infrastructure - by reducing the fuel loading to less than 8t Ha across 90% of planned area. Asset ID - BBTBR061	56.908	3.358	No	01/05/2024	BBTBR0061	BRIDGE - SCOTTS BROOK RD #3309A	Economic	Critical Infrastructure	3A
Boyup Brook	25155	Planned Burning	Conduct Hazzard Separation Burn for Condinup Homestead - by reducing the fuel loading to less than 8t Ha across 80% of planned area. Asset ID - BBDNP137	125.926	4.856	No	01/06/2024	BBDNP0137	Condinup Homestead	Human Settlement	Residential	2A
Boyup Brook	25156	Mechanical Works	Asset Protection for Houses along Railway Parade by parkland clearing / slashing vegetation to reduce elevated fuels to a compacted state across 90% of planned area. Fuel load to be reduced and maintained at or below 5 tones per hectare (t/ha).	2.524	2.119	No	30/04/2024	BBBBT0810	Railway Parade #24 - 55	Human Settlement	Residential	3B
Boyup Brook	25157	Mechanical Works	Asset Protection for Tennis Club - Remove Elevated fuels to ground over 90% of treatment area To protect human life, property and highly valued public assets. Zone enables the safe use of direct attack suppression strategies within the zone and improves the chances of defensive firefighting techniques. Zone minimises bushfire impacts on undefended assets. Fuel load to be reduced and maintained at 5 tonnes per hectare (t/ha).	4.398	0.974	Yes	27/10/2023	BBBBT0806	Tennis Club	Human Settlement	Temporary Occupation	3B
Boyup Brook	25158	Planned Burning	Create an Asset Protection Zone for Tennis Club & Timber Bridge by conducting a planned burn to reduce the fuel load to <5 or 8 tph over 80 or 90% of the area.	1.917	1.53	No	31/05/2024	BBBBT0806	Tennis Club	Human Settlement	Temporary Occupation	3B
Boyup Brook	25159	Chemical Works	Spray out the elevated & woody weeds during the Spring & Autumn months to help reduce the build-up of highly flammable material in the high threat summer months. Asset Protection for Timber Bridge Reduce Fuel Loading <5t Ha	0.631	0.525	Yes	01/05/2024	BBBBT0063	Road Bridge Timber, MRWA 0475, Donnybrook Kojonup, Boyup Brook	Economic	Critical Infrastructure	1A
Boyup Brook	25224	Planned Burning	Hazard Separation Burn for houses on Main Street. Reduce Fuel Loads to Less Than 8t/Ha over 90% of treatment area	8.583	1.548	No	19/04/2024	BBMYN0049	Main Street	Human Settlement	Residential	3D

Boyup Brook	25621	Mechanical Works	Modify the fuel structure to reduce bushfire intensity. Create a Hazard Separation Zone of 20 m by Slashing Mulching and Raking vegetation to reduce elevated fuels to a compacted state across 90% of the planned area. This will help reduce the Wick effect during a bush fire. Asset Id – BBBBT0034	2.058	2.118	No	01/09/2023	BBBBT0034	Lee-Steere Drive #200	Human Settlement	Residential	3D
Boyup Brook	25622	Mechanical Works	To create an Asset Protection Zone by parkland clearing/mulching vegetation to reduce elevated fuels to a compacted state across 90% of the planned area. This will help reduce the Wick effect during a bush fire. Asset ID - BBBBT028	5.581	5.747	No	01/08/2023	BBBBT0028	Ridge View Avenue #41	Human Settlement	Residential	1A
Boyup Brook	25626	Chemical Works	Spray out the elevated & woody weeds during the Spring & Autumn months to help reduce the build-up of highly flammable material in the high threat summer months. Fuel load to be reduced and maintained at or below 5 tons per hectare (t/ha). Asset ID - BBBBT028	5.58	5.747	Yes	30/05/2024	BBBBT0028	Ridge View Avenue #41	Human Settlement	Residential	1A
Boyup Brook	25631	Mechanical Works	Land within a 20m buffer of an asset. To protect human life, property and highly valued public assets. Zone enables the safe use of direct attack suppression strategies within the zone and improves the chances of defensive firefighting techniques. Zone minimizes bushfire impacts on undefended assets. Fuel load to be reduced and maintained at or below 5 tons per hectare (t/ha).	1.264	1.313	No	20/09/2023	BBDNP0052	Blechynden Street	Human Settlement	Residential	2C
Boyup Brook	25632	Chemical Works	Spray out the elevated & woody weeds during the Spring & Autumn months to help reduce the build-up of highly flammable material in the high threat summer months. Land within a 20m buffer of an asset. To protect human life, property and highly valued public assets. Zone enables the safe use of direct attack suppression strategies within the zone and improves the chances of defensive firefighting techniques. Zone minimizes bushfire impacts on undefended assets. Fuel load to be reduced and maintained at or below 5 tones per hectare (t/ha). Fuel load to be reduced and maintained at or below 5 tons per hectare (t/ha).	1.264	1.313	No	01/06/2024	BBDNP0052	Blechynden Street	Human Settlement	Residential	2C
Boyup Brook	25639	Planned Burning	Conduct Hazzard Separation Burn for Condinup Homestead - by reducing the fuel loading to less than 8t Ha across 90% of planned area. Asset ID - BBDNP093	10.631	1.785	No	01/06/2024	BBDNP0093	Blechynden Road #186	Human Settlement	Residential	2C
Boyup Brook	25640	Mechanical Works	Create a Hazard Separation Zone by installing mineral earth fire access tracks to 4m wide & 4m high. This will also compartmentalize reserve into smaller cells for more manageable burns. Asset Id BBWBB0823	0.191	1.474	No	01/08/2023	BBWBB0823	Nollajup North	Human Settlement	Residential	1A

Boyup Brook	25641	Chemical Works	Spray out the elevated & woody weeds during the Spring & Autumn months to help reduce the build-up of highly flammable material in the high threat summer months. Asset Id BBWBB0823 To provide strategic areas of reduced fuel, which improve fire protection of assets by reducing the intensity and rate of spread of bushfires within the zone. Zone will improve the likely success of parallel attack and indirect attack suppression strategies in high to very high weather conditions within the zone. Zone will reduce the likelihood of crown fires developing and spot fire ignition potential within the zone. Fuel load to be maintained at 5-8 t/ha for jarrah/marri forest and woodland,	2.973	2.152	No	30/09/2023	BBWBB0823	Nollajup North	Human Settlement	Residential	1A
Boyup Brook	25642	Planned Burning	Create a Hazard Separation Zone via way of low intensity planned burn. Asset Id BBWBB0823 To provide strategic areas of reduced fuel, which improve fire protection of assets by reducing the intensity and rate of spread of bushfires within the zone. Zone will improve the likely success of parallel attack and indirect attack suppression strategies in high to very high weather conditions within the zone. Zone will reduce the likelihood of crown fires developing and spot fire ignition potential within the zone. Fuel load to be maintained at 5-8 t/ha for jarrah/marri forest and woodland,	2.974	2.152	No	01/09/2023	BBWBB0823	Nollajup North	Human Settlement	Residential	1A
Boyup Brook	25646	Planned Burning	All land within 80m of the outer edge of the Asset Protection Zone. To provide strategic areas of reduced fuel, which improve fire protection of assets by reducing the intensity and rate of spread of bushfires within the zone. Zone will improve the likely success of parallel attack and indirect attack suppression strategies in high to very high weather conditions within the zone. Zone will reduce the likelihood of crown fires developing and spot fire ignition potential within the zone. Fuel load to be maintained at 5-8 t/ha for jarrah/marri forest and woodland, Asset ID - BBWLG092	3.168	0.746	No	01/06/2024	BBWLG0092	McAlinden Hall	Economic	Tourist and Recreational	2C
Boyup Brook	25648	Chemical Works	Spray out the elevated & woody weeds during the Spring & Autumn months to help reduce the build-up of highly flammable material in the high threat summer months. Asset ID - BBWLG092	3.144	0.755	No	01/07/2023	BBWLG0092	McAlinden Hall	Economic	Tourist and Recreational	2C
Boyup Brook	25649	Mechanical Works	Asset Protection for Timber Bridge - Remove Elevated fuels to ground over 90% of treatment area	0.269	0.238	No	21/01/2024	BBWLG0050	BRIDGE - MCALINDEN RD #3307	Economic	Critical Infrastructure	2C

Boyup Brook	25650	Chemical Works	Spray out the elevated & woody weeds during the Spring & Autumn months to help reduce the build-up of highly flammable material in the high threat summer months. Asset Id. BBWLG0050	0.269	0.238	No	22/03/2024	BBWLG0050	BRIDGE - MCALINDEN RD #3307	Economic	Critical Infrastructure	2C
Boyup Brook	25695	Mechanical Works	Create a Hazard Separation Zone by installing mineral earth fire access tracks to 4m wide & 4m high. This will also compartmentalize reserve into smaller cells for more manageable burns. Asset Id BBWLG0824	0.076	0.512	No	25/02/2024	BBWLG0824	1197 MCALINDEN RD	Human Settlement	Residential	1A
Boyup Brook	25696	Planned Burning	Create an Asset Protection Zone for houses and sheds at 1197 MCALINDEN RD via way of low intensity planned burn to reduce the fuel load to <5 or 8 tph over 80% of the treatment area. Asset Id – BBWLG0824	1.079	0.584	No	25/05/2024	BBWLG0824	1197 MCALINDEN RD	Human Settlement	Residential	1A
Boyup Brook	25697	Chemical Works	Spray out the elevated & woody weeds during the Spring & Autumn months to help reduce the build-up of highly flammable material in the high threat summer months. Asset Id – BBWLG0824	1.079	0.584	Yes	01/07/2024	BBWLG0824	1197 MCALINDEN RD	Human Settlement	Residential	1A
Boyup Brook	25698	Mechanical Works	Asset Protection for Rubbish Transfer Station by parkland clearing / mulching vegetation to reduce elevated fuels to a compacted state across 90% of planned area. Asset ID BBBBT809	1.868	0.913	No	01/08/2023	BBBBT809	Waste & Recycling Transfer Station	Economic	Critical Infrastructure	3A
Boyup Brook	25699	Planned Burning	Asset Protection for Rubbish Transfer Station via way of low intensity planned burn to reduce the fuel load to <5 or 8 tph over 80% of the treatment area. Asset ID BBBBT809	1.189	1.331	No	31/05/2024	BBBBT809	Waste & Recycling Transfer Station	Economic	Critical Infrastructure	3A
Boyup Brook	25700	Chemical Works	Asset Protection for Rubbish Transfer Station via way of Chemical Treatment to reduce the fuel load to <5 or 8 tph over 80% of the treatment area. Asset ID BBBBT809 Spray out the elevated & woody weeds during the Spring & Autumn months to help reduce the build-up of highly flammable material in the high threat summer months.	1.189	1.331	Yes	01/07/2024	BBBBT809	Waste & Recycling Transfer Station	Economic	Critical Infrastructure	3A

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The MAF Program is currently in the approvals stage with the Office of Bushfire Risk Management.

The approved jobs and funding will be released in July. When released, the funding details will be sent to the CEO. The CEO will then authorise through delegated authority the MAF GP manager to commence works. The MAF GP Manager is an appointed Employee to act on the CEO's behalf to ensure MAF expenditure is allocated, recorded, treatment objectives are met and acquitted according to the MAF GP Guidelines set for 2023 – 2024 Round 1.

There has been consultation with the X ray team, Local and State government stake holders to develop the treatment applications for submission.

Identification of assets that have been risk assessed in accordance with the Bush Fire Risk Management Plan and Mitigation Activity Fund Grants Program have also been included as required by the Bushfire Risk Management Branch to meet funding requirements and treatment Objectives.

Regards

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