

Shire of Irwin Bush Fire Advisory Committee (BFAC) Meeting

to be held in the Council Chambers

Monday, 9 August 2021

at 6.00pm

Agenda

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

(please sign the attendance register on arrival)

Members

Mr S Ivers
Chief Executive Officer – Shire of Irwin
Mr M Teale
Community Emergency Services Manager

Visitors

Mrs N A M'Leane – *Minute Taker* Development & Executive Officer – Shire of Irwin

ApologiesMr H Campbell

3 BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Confirmation of previous minutes

No Bush Fire Advisory Committee (BFAC) Meeting was held in 2020. In the absence of the BFAC meeting a Brigades Leadership meeting was held on 21 September 2020. Please see attached minutes.

Confirmation of the meeting minutes of the BFAC held 20 June 2019.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION 010821:

That the Minutes of the 20 June 2019 BFAC Meeting, as previously circulated, be adopted as true and accurate recording of that meeting.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION 020821:

That the Minutes of the 21 September 2020 Brigades Leadership Meeting, as previously circulated, be adopted as true and accurate recording of that meeting.

3.2 Action items from previous minutes

Nil.

4 CONFIRMATION AND APPOINTMENT OF BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND REPRESENTATIVES

4.1 Current Members

Members	
Chairperson – Chief Bush Fire Control Officer	Geoff Crabb
Shire President	Michael Smith
Shire of Irwin Chief Executive Officer	Shane Ivers
Community Emergency Services Manager	Mark Teale
and Fire Control Officer	
Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer	Murry Butcher
Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer	Andrew Gillam
Fire Control Officer & Shire of Irwin Ranger	Community Rangers
Fire Control Officer	Stephen Boyd
Fire Control Officer	Hugh Campbell
Fire Control Officer	Peter Summers
Captain Irwin Bush Fire Brigade	Jonathan Moss
Captain Dongara Town Bush Fire Brigade	James (Jimmy) Butcher
Captain Dongara Volunteer Fire & Rescue	Brodie M'Leane

Representative	
Department of Biodiversity, Conservation	Representative
and Attractions	
Department of Fire & Emergency Services	Representative

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION 030821:

That the Committee appoints the recommended members to the Bush Fire Advisory Committee.

5 BUSH FIRE BRIGADE AGM MINUTES/MOTIONS RECIEVED

5.1 2021 Brigade Annual General Meeting (AGM) Minutes

Irwin North Bush Fire Brigade AGM Minutes Irwin South Bush Fire Brigade AGM Minutes Dongara Town Bush Fire Brigade AGM Minutes

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION 050821:

That the AGM Minutes of each Brigade be confirmed and received by the BFA Committee and the elected officers and BFA Committee representatives be acknowledged.

5.2 Motions received from the Bush Fire Brigades for BFAC advice Nil.

6 APPOINTMENT OF FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS & FIRE WEATHER OFFICERS

Chief Bush Fire Control Officer	Geoff Crab
Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer	Andrew Gillam
Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer	Murray Butcher
Fire Control Officer Dongara Town	Hugh Campbell
Fire Control Officer Dongara Town	Stephen Boyd
Fire Control Officer Irwin	Peter Summers
Fire Control Officer	Shane Ivers
Fire Control Officer	Mark Teale
Fire Control Officer Ranger	Community Rangers
Fire Weather Officer East	
Fire Weather Officer West	

COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION 060821:

That the above positions be recommended for appointment by Council and all previous appointments be revoked.

7 REVIEW OF RESTRICTED AND PROHIBTED BURNING TIMES

The Committee to review the below Restricted and Prohibited Burning annually. Any amendments to be recommended to Council.

Restricted 15th October – 31st October

Prohibited 1st November – 28th February

Restricted 1st March - 7th April

8 REVIEW OF FIRE BREAK REQUIREMENTS

The Committee to review the Annual Fire Break Notice and provide feedback and recommendations to Council.

Fire Break Notice provide as an attachment to this Agenda.

9 REPORTS

- 9.1 CHIEF BUSH FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS REPORT
- 9.2 DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (DFES) REPORT
- 9.3 DEPARTMENT OF BIODIVERSITY, CONSERVATION AND ATTRACTIONS (DPAW)
- 9.4 BUSH FIRE BRIGADE REPORTS
 - 9.4.1 IRWIN NORTH
 - 9.4.2 IRWIN SOUTH
 - 9.4.3 DONGARA TOWN
- 9.5 SHIRE OF IRWIN REPORT (CESM)

10 GENERAL BUSINESS

- 10.1 WHS Changes to Legislation
- 10.2 Amalgamation of Irwin North and South Bush Fire Brigade

At the Irwin North and South AGM the two Bush Fire Brigade Captains and members present voted to amalgamate the two Bush Fire Brigade's to become Irwin Bush Fire Brigade. The Irwin Bush Fire Brigade will encompass the two response areas. Please see attached minutes.

COMMITTEE & COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION 070821:

The BFA Committee recommends to Council the amalgamation of the Irwin North and South Bush Fire Brigades to form Irwin Bush Fire Brigade.

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