



Kojonup Bush Fire Advisory Committee Agenda

18th April 2016

TO: COMMITTEE MEMBERS

NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the Kojonup Bush Fire Advisory Committee will be held in the Reception Lounge, at the Shire of Kojonup, Albany Highway Kojonup on Monday, 18th April 2016 commencing at 7:30pm.

Your attendance is respectfully requested.

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RICK MITCHELL-COLLINS
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
13th April 2016

SHIRE OF KOJONUP

**AGENDA FOR THE KOJONUP BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
TO BE HELD ON 18th April 2016**

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A G E N D A

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF GUESTS

The Presiding Member declared the meeting opened atpm and alerted the meeting of the procedures for emergencies including evacuation, designated exits and muster points.

2 ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES

Members

Mr Ned Radford
Mr Robert Sexton
Mr Digby Stretch
Mr Tony Fisher
Mr Murray Gibbs
Mr Roger House
Mr Myles Reid
Mr Geoff Gale
Mr Robert Cowie
Mr Rick Mitchell-Collins
Mrs Denise Berryman
Mr Mort Wignall
Mr Paul Retallack
Mr Daniel Campbell
Mr Matthew Crabb

Councillor
Councillor
Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Deputy Bush Fire Control Officer
Senior Bush Fire Control Officer
Senior Bush Fire Control Officer
Senior Bush Fire Control Officer
President of the Kojonup Bush Fire Association
Administration/Regulatory Officer
Chief Executive Officer
Secretary of the Kojonup Bush Fire Association
Manager of Regulatory & Community Services
Senior Ranger
Kojonup Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service
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APOLOGIES

3 SUMMARY OF RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

4 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING 22nd February 2016

COMMITTEE DECISION

Moved _____, seconded _____ that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of KBFAC held on 22nd February 2016 be confirmed as a true record.

CARRIED/LOST /

6 ANNOUNCEMENTS by the Presiding Member without discussion

7 PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

8 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

9 ITEMS

9.1 **FCO Recommendation from Kojonup Bushfire Brigade AGM**

Following the Annual General Meeting (AGM) held 11th April 2016 the Kojonup Bushfire Association has recommended to the Bushfire Advisory Committee that the following people be appointed to the Fire Control Officer (FCO) position for their respective brigades:

Ben Johnston	Captain/FCO, Boilup Brigade
Geoff Gale	Captain/FCO, Boscabel Brigade
Paul Norrish	Captain/FCO, Changerup Brigade
Owen Bignell	Captain/FCO, Cherry Tree Pool Brigade
David Eatt	Captain/FCO, Jingalup Brigade
Roger Bilney	Captain/FCO, Kojonup Brigade
Kit Anderson	Captain/FCO, Lumeah Brigade
Justin Fleay	Captain/FCO, Mobrup Brigade
Mark Blewett	Captain/FCO, Muradup Brigade
Griffin Chomley	Captain/FCO, Orchid Valley Brigade
David Forrester	Captain/FCO, Qualeup Brigade
Bevan Gibbs	Captain/FCO, Ryans Brook Brigade
Bob Francis	Captain/FCO, Muradup Town

The appointments are subject to undertaking the appropriate FCO training. The next training session is to be advised. Any conditions, restrictions, or directions placed on FCOs who are standing again from last year will be continued.

The Association AGM also made the following appointments for Council ratification:-

Mr Tony Fisher (Zulu 1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief Bush Fire Control Officer • Fire Weather Officer • Issue permits for Clover Burr • Ability to advise Shire on Vehicle & Harvest Bans
Mr Roger House (Zulu 2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer • Deputy Fire Weather Officer • Issue permits for Clover Burr • Ability to advise Shire on Vehicle & Harvest Bans
Mr Murray Gibbs (Zulu 3)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Bush Fire Control Officer • Ability to advise Shire on Vehicle & Harvest Bans
Mr Myles Reid (Zulu 4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Bush Fire Control Officer • Ability to advise Shire on Vehicle & Harvest Bans

9.2 **ESL Monies request – BFB AGM**

At the recent AGM, the KBFB have requested that the Advisory Committee look into the possibility of combining all of the remaining ESL grant money and purchasing a significant item/s. The view is that there is enough PPE and hose around the Shire to last a lifetime.

9.3 **2015/16 Fire Break Notice**

Please see attached the 2016/17 Fire Break notice that will need to be recommended to Council for endorsement.

9.4 **Change of Dates for Restricted Burning period**

Is there a need to change the end of the restricted burning period to the middle of April? Discuss starting the restricted burning period earlier for timber and some stubble situations.

9.5 **Permits to light Fires**

The following items were raised at the recent AGM to be discussed at this meeting

- Starting times for burning – Starting earlier in the day given favourable conditions
- Digital Permits – Does email count as a valid form of approval?

9.6 **Handheld Radios**

The brigades have requested that the Shire supply them with a Handheld Radio for communication. This is not covered under ESL.

9.7 **New Communication Tower Update**

Progress report on the Communications Tower by CEO.

9.8 **Caravan Park Campfire**

The CBFCO has received a request from the owners of the Caravan Park to allow them to have a fire pit available to visitors.

9.9 **Feedlot – Exemption for Vehicle Movement Bans**

There has been a request for feedlots to be exempt from Vehicle Movement Bans

10 MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

11 NEW BUSINESS

(Of an urgent nature, introduced by a decision of the meeting).

12 NEXT MEETING

13 CLOSURE

There being no further business to discuss, the Presiding Member, thanked the members for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at pm.