



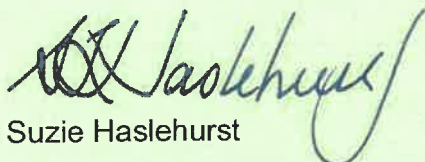
Bushfire Advisory Committee Meeting

8 February 2023

Minutes

To: Bushfire Advisory Committee Meeting Members and Councillors.

Here within are the Meeting Minutes of the Bushfire Advisory Committee Meeting, held on the above-mentioned date in the Shire of Toodyay Council Chambers, 15 Fiennes Street, Toodyay WA 6566.



Suzie Haslehurst

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Preface


When the Chief Executive Officer approves these Minutes for distribution they are in essence "Unconfirmed" until the next Committee Meeting, where the Minutes will be confirmed subject to any amendments made by the Committee.

The "Confirmed" Minutes are then signed off by the Presiding Person.

Attachments that formed part of the Agenda, in addition to those tabled at the Meeting are incorporated into separate attachments to these Minutes.

Unconfirmed Minutes

These minutes were approved for distribution on 10 February 2023.



Suzie Haslehurst

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Confirmed Minutes

These minutes were confirmed at a meeting held on 3 May 2023.

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

Cr M McKeown, Chairperson, declared the meeting open at 6.01pm.

1.1 ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

Mr R Hazlewood, Secretary from Julimar Brigade

1.2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIESMembers

Cr M McKeown	Councillor (Chair)
Mr R Koch	Deputy 2 CBFCO / CESM
Mr C Stewart	Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
Mr N Griggs	Deputy 1 CBFCO
Mr I MacGregor	Toodyay Volunteer Fire & Rescue
Mr L Hayward	Bejoording Brigade representative
Mr P Hay	DFES District Officer
Mr W Hort	Toodyay Central Bush Fire Brigade representative
Ms S Vlaar	Department of Parks and Wildlife representative
Mr S Tunncliffe	Coondle-Nunile Brigade representative
Ms T Martin	Julimar Brigade representative

Staff

Mrs M Rebane Executive Assistant

Visitors

Nil

Apologies

Cr S McCormick	Councillor
Mr J Venn	Morangup Bush Fire Brigade representative
Mr W MacMillan	Ranger
Mr L Couper	Ranger
Cr S Pearce	Councillor
Cr B Ruthven	Deputy Shire President
Mr G Warburton	Reserves Management Officer
Mr P Brennan	Toodyay Central Bush Fire Brigade Rep
Ms S Haslehurst	Chief Executive Officer
Mr J Augustin	Manager Infrastructure and Assets
Mrs E Francis	Emergency Management Officer
Mr M Pasotti	Department of Parks and Wildlife representative

1.3 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

The Chairperson advised that no disclosures of interest in the form of a written notice had been received prior to the commencement of the meeting. Clarification was sought by C Stewart, who advised he was working for Chalice.

2 MINUTES AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

2.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1.1. Minutes of Meeting held on 2 November 2022

OFFICER'S BFAC001/02/23	RECOMMENDATION/BFAC	RESOLUTION	NO.
MOVED	Mr I MacGregor		
SECONDED	Mr C Stewart		
That the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Bushfire Advisory Committee Meeting held on 2 November 2022 be confirmed subject to the following amendments:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On page 9 the words Avon Valley be capitalised; • On page 9 the word “Svces” to read “Services”; • On page 9 the word Forrest be not in brackets and the typographical be fixed after the hyphen to read “minimal”; • On page 10 the word “not” to be included after the words “colocation centre” 			
MOTION CARRIED 11/0			

2.2 REVIEW OF STATUS REPORT

2.2.1 Update of Status Report

Attachments:	1. BFAC Status Report.
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The status report was reviewed.

2.3 INWARD/OUTWARD CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

3 BUSINESS LEFT OVER FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Nil.

4 OTHER BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE

4.1 RISK MANAGEMENT

4.1.1 Building/Station Maintenance - S Tunnickliffe (Coondle-Nunile BFB)

Question

What preventative building maintenance program is in place for items such as:

- Pest management;
- Roller and personnel door maintenance for security;
- Water filter servicing; and
- Gutter cleaning.

The volunteer firefighters at Coondle do as much as possible regarding general maintenance and tidiness, however the above requires qualified persons or an insured employee/contractor of the Shire to undertake some of the task.

CESM response:

The CESM has raised this previously with the Shire and is awaiting a response.

Points raised:

- The Shire could arrange this through LGGS funding as the local government would be eligible.
- Some brigades have arranged spider spraying.

MOTION/BFAC RESOLUTION NO. BFAC002/02/23

MOVED Mr S Tunnickliffe

SECONDED Ms T Martin

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee recommends to Council the following:

That Council requests the CEO to provide a comprehensive preventative building maintenance program to the BFAC meeting in May 2023 that includes, but is not limited to the following:

- Pest management;
- Roller and personnel door maintenance for security;
- Water filter servicing;
- Pest filters;
- Gutter cleaning.

MOTION CARRIED 11/0

4.1.2 Drinking Water Shortage - S Tunnicliffe (Coondle-Nunile BFB)

Bottled drinking water is no longer available at the shire depot, previously this picked up when refueling the appliances, we now have to rely on shelf stock from IGA which is limited. For example; last week (29th Jan - 5th Feb) our crews consumed a large amount due to round the clock activity in extreme conditions.

Proposed recommendation

Either a short term or long term solution should be offered or effected by the Shire with regard to the current situation. Would like to see a resolution to this issue as the volunteers hydration and heat stress prevention is critical.

Points raised

- Brigades unable to utilise auxiliaries for the purpose of providing drinking water;
- The expectation placed upon Volunteers to resource bottled drinking water puts volunteers in danger, as they have just come from the fireground; therefore the task is creating a hazard in their workplace. It puts them and others at risk.
- No support from administration;
- Short-term / long-term controlled environment to be provided as a solution.
- No water, powerade, and fuel at the Shire. There are outdoor bollards. There is no access to power;
- No phone connections on the fireground at a recent event which hampered the volunteers from fighting the fire;
- DFES supportive of their provider Sealanes providing ^{pallets} pellets of water for each station that requires it;
- The sea-container contains most of these supplies and the CESM reported Work Health and Safety concerns in regard to it. Still waiting for a response;
- Numerous occasions approached Shire President, CEO and CESM to get a key to the depot front gate in event of a fire at the depot but nothing provided;
- The Shire has written in support of our volunteer fire brigades to the LGIS due to the divestment of brigades. It would seem that as there is an inability to replenish supplies, washdown, and maintain equipment in good order the correspondence contradicts the level of support expressed as having.

Signed: MVMCKa
 Presiding Member
 Date: 3 May 2023

MOTION/BFAC RESOLUTION NO. BFAC003/02/23

MOVED Mr L Hayward

SECONDED Mr S Tunnicliffe

1. The Bush Fire Advisory Committee notes that:

(a) The Shire of Toodyay recently agreed that Bush Fire Brigades (BFB's) should remain under local government control;

- (b) Supplies of consumables including but not limited to drinking water, fire fighting foam, kerosene, which were formerly “easily accessible and available” from the Shire depot are no longer available from the Shire depot; and
- (c) During the recent fire on the Toodyay Bindi Bindi Road, fire-fighting foam was not readily available.

2. The Bush Fire Advisory Committee recommends to Council the following:

That Council:

- (a) Ensures short-term / long-term clear and safe access to those items mentioned at point 1 from the Shire depot site in an appropriate and safe location (i.e. not back in a sea container and not stored in the sun and able to be accessed 24/7);
- (b) Ensures short-term / long-term 24/7 clear and safe access to the Shire depot wash bay; and
- (c) Ensures prompt, in-person accessibility at the Shire Depot to contact and liaise with the Community Emergency Services Manager and the Emergency Management Officer;
- (d) Requests the Chief Executive Officer to provide Toodyay VFRS with two key fobs for emergency access to the Shire depot for their fire fighting vehicles.

MOTION CARRIED 11/0

4.1.3 Fatigue Management - T Martin (Julimar BFB)

Talking with my Lieutenants after the recent Cobblers Pool fires it was brought to my attention that not everyone was practicing or being honest about their fatigue and management of their fatigue.

This was brought up as a concern of work health and safety as they do understand the nature of the incident but was showing concern about not just crews, and brigade officers but all leaders and officers.

Points raised:

- Members of hierarchy constantly on the fireground, with no breaks in between, and with fatigue may be making decisions that affect the welfare of the rest of the crews on the fireground;
- CESM asked that all brigades (Captains and Lieutenants) to do a debrief in regard to the fire event. These are the sorts of things that provide an environment for what worked and what did not on the fireground.
- Not the first time this concern has been reported after a major incident.
- DFES reassured members that there were fatigue management measures put into place for the first three days of the event;
- CESM noted some volunteers attempting to do double shifts. This came out of the Wooroloo event and volunteers require two shift breaks to get a rest.

4.2 PRESENTATIONS OR EVENTS

Nil.

4.3 INCIDENT/EXERCISE REPORTS

Nil.

4.4 PROJECTS AND GRANT FUNDING**4.4.1 Chainsaw Course Funding - P Brennan**

Will Hort provided an overview as he was proxy representative for P Brennan.

As per P Brennan's previous report to BFAC, Western Power grants were being offered and Toodyay Central submitted an application for \$2,500 to cover a chainsaw course for up to six people. We recently received a response to our application advising that in assessing our application, it was considered that the items that we requested may actually be obtainable under the State Government Emergency Services Levy (ESL) Local Government Grants Scheme.

Therefore, they encouraged us to contact our local government to discuss and ascertain whether or not the items that we requested can be requested via the abovementioned Scheme. I am concerned we have these electric chainsaws on our trucks but officially should not be operating them if we have not completed a recognised course. From last count we now only have two people who have done the course albeit many of us are safe and proficient with chainsaws on our own properties. The most recent time we had to use a chainsaw was at the Mt Nardie fire on Northam Toodyay road on 15 Nov 2022, so they are used.

If we cannot get funding through a grant scheme and I am advised that ESL does not really cover the course either, then would the Shire consider offering suitable funding?

Points raised as follows:

- CESM provided context through background to the above matter;
- Shire adopted an Standard Operating Procedure for chainsaws with limitations and controls;
- Refreshed on Work Health and Safety legislation; and
- Shire to play a more active role in the training and PPE environment.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION/BFAC RESOLUTION NO. BFAC004/02/23

MOVED Mr W Hort

SECONDED Mr C Stewart

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee recommends to Council the following:

That Council:

1. requests the Chief Executive Officer write to the District Operations Advisory Committee requesting that the DOAC write to the State Bush Fire Operations Committee, seeking that the Minister allow for Chainsaw Course Funding to be funded through the LGGS system as an eligible funding source for the reason that

4.4.1 Chainsaw Course Funding - P Brennan

brigades operate in a remote environment and chainsaw use is included in the Shire of Toodyay's Standard Operating Procedures and business of the brigades; and

2. approves expenditure for training to be offered to at least six members and up to 50% of any brigade equipped with chainsaws in the interim; and
3. requests the Chief Executive Officer arrange for recognised nationally accredited training, in accordance with Shire of Toodyay Standard Operating Procedures, for relevant brigade members by 31 March 2023.

MOTION CARRIED 11/0

4.5 STRATEGIC REVIEW / PLANNING

Nil.

4.6 ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION AND AGENCY UPDATES**4.6.1 Recent Statistics - from P Brennan (W Hort)**

- We had 15 callouts for the period 10 Dec 2022 to 10 Jan 2023.
- For same reporting period last year there were only 6 callouts. Callouts for the season as at 10 Jan 2023, were 44 compared to only 28 to the same point last season. Fifteen of the callouts this season have been out of Toodyay Shire.
- Good to see Shire of Toodyay assisting with other Shires and there have been good turnouts.
- Thanks to R Koch, N Griggs and C Stewart and other FCO's for their above and beyond approach to managing the fireground in recent fires. A lot of work and effort done behind the scenes that is appreciated.
- Sustained a bit of damage on the trucks that is being addressed.

Response:

CESM advised damage reports received and given duration of the events and the terrain, trucks are being cycled through. Anything else that is discovered please report it and it can be included in servicing.

4.6.2 Report for DFES - P Hay DO AVON

- DFES would like to thank the Toodyay BFB,s VFRS, farmers, SES and local emergency services;
- Would also like to thank WA Police, (Kevin especially) and the Shire for its support;

4.6.2 Report for DFES - P Hay DO AVON

- Feedback required from brigades and/or brigade officers in writing in regard to the High Season fleet and ST implemented on bad days has been successful;
- Air support has been utilised;
- Mindful of fatigue and the importance of crews remaining vigilant;
- Season continues to pose significant risk, reminder around PPC and need to wear;
- Training Calendar has been sent out for brigades to start to plan. Less courses on calendar this year from last year was deliberate. Courses online did not match up to where they needed them. Requests for specific needs can be arranged through DFES;
- Once again thank you for the support across the region.

4.6.3. Julimar BFB Report - T Martin

- Julimar had both the 2.4 and 1.4 at the Christmas Street party. New members. Great turnout - Kids and adults alike had a great time.
- We have had some damage done to the valves on the water line to the Julimar station pump. *(CESM advised the part has come in but contractor required for installation).*
- Valves are to stay set as they are until informed the damage has been repaired.
- Julimar is looking to do radios and comms as there next training given some fire fighters had a few issues during recent fires. *CESM advised Julimar has training coming up.*

4.6.4 Bejoording BFB Report - L Hayward

Trucks have been damaged due to trees overhanging onto the road in Cobbler's Pool, causing damage to the passenger side window frames.

There is an obvious lack of road maintenance with the volume of trees overhanging not being attended to.

4.6.5 COONDLE-NUNILE BFB UPDATE - S TUNNICLIFFE

- No significant damage to trucks from Cobblers Pool.
- Exceptional turnout from all members – new members mentored on the fireground.
- High season light tanker utilised and fully resourced.

4.6.6 DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE - UPDATE

- There has been a large turnover and new crew members came through.
- New safety protocols have been implemented.
- Challenges experienced with the manning of trucks and experienced vs. inexperienced drivers.
- Burning program full steam ahead. Some burns on restrictions. All good.

4.6.7 VFRS UPDATE - I MACGREGOR

- Car fires – started fires.
- The car fire at Forrest Road could have been nasty.
- Opportunity to mop up the site was welcomed and member participation was good.

4.6.8 DFES UPDATE - P HAY

- If trucks are offline for servicing DFES has 3 or 4 trucks available to borrow in the interim in February 2023.

CESM will liaise with P Hay about that.

4.6.9 CHIEF BUSH FIRE CONTROL OFFICER (CBFCO) UPDATE - C STEWART

- Support for the initiatives implemented this summer. Two letters sent to Northam ROC supporting the strike teams, aviation, and high season appliance availability; Support from managers etc; recommend encouragement messaging be passed up the chain of command at ROC and through to State to highlight our support for the Ideas and initiatives Everyone should feel free to also write in support of the ROC.
- Avon Valley fire, every brigade participated in three shifts per day. That was an exceptional effort. All agencies that responded to the level 2 incident

4.6.9 CHIEF BUSH FIRE CONTROL OFFICER (CBFCO) UPDATE - C STEWART

allowed a very well run incident .Everything fell into place smoothly with a structured command and control.

- The Value of preformed IMT, Salvos, SES, every other agency and WAPOL was extraordinary.
- HVMB's under new AFDRS seemed to work well. I have received plenty of counselling by disgruntled primary producers, who would not take the time to understand what the new system offers
- There is NO understanding ,of the efforts of those that administer and make the call to run harvest vehicle movement bans, including the constant monitoring, readings and discussions, for review.
- Early season fires caused by people doing slashing and firebreak work without fire suppression. Education fails to have the public think about what they are doing. Those fires attended to very quickly. Bindi Bindi road fire attended in middle of night and then patrolled for the entire week thereafter.
- Deputy 1 approached by landowners twice expressing dissatisfaction for the way the fire was dealt with (i.e. tree pushing) and accessing property without their knowledge, wanting to know who would clean up the mess, and indicated the matter would be referred to their lawyers. Not one word of thanks.
- If we have any fires at that property and owners approach, we may treat that as obstruction.
- P Hay requested that feedback be given in regard to the use of the high season equipment being utilised.
- Thank you to Coondle brigade for welfare provided at Bindi Bindi Rd fire in middle of the night.
- Thanks to Coondle Nunile brigade for fulfilling the role of crewing and maintaining HS LT for our incidents and on deployments.
- We have Had a safe fire season so far, with no injury. No fires became monsters. Very good work by all concerned. The new dynamic out of the ROC, has been very noticeable.

4.6.10 DEPUTY 1 CBFCO UPDATE - N GRIGGS

- Thanks to DFES and CBFCO for taking on the control aspect of management of the recent fire grounds.
- Private properties. Firebreaks very ordinary. Would have helped with access.
- Sunday multiple incidents Bindi-Bindi and then West Toodyay and the Avon fire and they all overlapped. The fact all incidents dealt with when needed, was brilliant.

4.6.10 DEPUTY 1 CBFCO UPDATE - N GRIGGS

- Approached twice by belligerent landowners in the Bindi-Bindi area threatening legal action to those who attended to fight the fire and knowledge of compliance
- Ensure before permits are issued that the compliance requirements are reiterated and understood by landowners.
- DFES asked for details of the property so that the landowners can be placed onto an alert list, which will mean that the police will attend any future fire events to protect volunteers on the fireground.

4.6.11 CESM UPDATE - R KOCH

- Brigades been exceptionally busy over the last twelve days and there were minimal grumbles about it. The way people just got on with the job was exceptional and a highlight of the year so far.
- Thanks to Nick and Craig for effort put in. VFRS, DPAW, active in this fire. Extremely helpful at putting crews on the ground for a sustained period.
- Budget time of the year including all sorts of requests to council but also for the LGGS. Application of the Bejoording station will be put in again.
- Debrief dates not been arranged as yet by DFES.
 - *CESM requested that over the next fortnight, all brigades do individual debriefs that will then feed into the regional debrief.*
 - *DFES requested at least one representative of all brigades to attend the regional debrief so the nitty gritty can be dealt with; deputies and chief to be included as well.*
 - *CESM to contact Morangup to advise of the above and the outcomes of this meeting.*

5 CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Bushfire Advisory Committee Meeting is scheduled to be held on 3 May 2023 commencing at 6.00pm.

6 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 7.58pm.



ATTACHMENTS MINUTES

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BFAC STATUS REPORT
Bush Fire Advisory Committee

Supporting Officer / Responsible Officer
Community Emergency Services Manager /
CEO



Meeting Date	Purpose	Resolution / Action	Target date for completion	Actioned by	Completion Date	Meeting Commentary
Updated on 2/11/2021 from previous meeting held in August 2021.	Item 6.1.8 of the Minutes from last month re FCO Nominations and request for one page cover letter – to say why they are intending to take on the role - Change to SOP's would be applicable.	CESM advised on 2/2/22: Task to be deferred to the next meeting.	In progress	CESM	t.b.a.	2.11.22 – SOP document includes something within that process. 8/2/23 – redrafting of the section needs to occur and will be brought back to Council
27/04/2022 Council Meeting	Bush Fire Operational Procedures	Authorises the CEO to arrange for the Bush Fire Operational Procedures to be reviewed and brought back to Council through the Bush Fire Advisory Committee (BFAC) by December 2022.	Dec 2022	CESM	Progress being made	2.11.22 – We pushed timeline back until early next year. Review of the document to be done and next meeting a draft will be provided. 08/02/2023 – working on these.
03/08/2022 Committee Meeting	Fire Breaks	The CEO will investigate what processes are in place and find out what strategies are to address this issue.	ASAP	CEO	t.b.a.	2.11.22 – CEO asked CESM to give feedback on internal discussions that have been had leading up to this meeting. 08/02/2023 – went to Council – find resolution in December.

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2.11.22	Fire Breaks	Bring back to BFAC results of data collection regarding firebreak inspections	ASAP	EMO	t.b.a.	08/02/2023 – went to Council – find resolution in December.
2.11.22	Updates to Shire of Toodyay Bush Fire Operating Procedures Document	That the Bushfire Advisory Committee recommends to Council the following: That changes to Section One, Item 11 of the Shire of Toodyay Bush Fire Operating Procedures, relating to the nomination and recommendation process for Bush Fire Control Officers, as per Attachment 1 of this report are adopted subject to an amendment to the SOP that the word 'be' at 11.5.3(a)(ii) be removed.	Went to the Nov. 2022 OCM and Council Resolved differently – see meeting commentary	CESM	Will go to the March 2023 OCM meeting	Council Resolution: CRN OCM246/11/22 That Council: 1. Does not consider the Bush Fire Advisory Committee Recommendation relating to update of Item 11.5 of the Shire of Toodyay Bush Fire Operating Procedures (Bush Fire Control Officers recommendation process) at this meeting; and 2. Requests that a report with a revised proposal is brought to the 22 February 2023 Ordinary Council Meeting. At BFAC Meeting on 08/02/2023 CESM Noted this as ongoing.

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2.11.22	Updates to Shire of Toodyay Bush Fire Operating Procedures Document	That the Bushfire Advisory Committee recommends to Council the following: That changes to Standard Operating Procedure 21 (SOP.21 – Criminal History Checks), as per Attachment 1 of this report are adopted.	Went to the Nov. 2022 OCM	CESM	Completed	Council Resolution No. OCM247/11/22
2.11.22	Updates to Shire of Toodyay Bush Fire Operating Procedures Document	That the Bushfire Advisory Committee recommends to Council the following: That the addition of Standard Operating Procedure 26 (SOP.26 – Recording/Use of Data/Information), as per Attachment 1 of this report is adopted.	Went to the Nov. 2022 OCM	CESM	Completed	Council Resolution No. OCM248/11/22
2.11.22	Updating landowner information	The Bush Fire Advisory Committee Meeting recommend to Council the following: That Council requests the Chief Executive Officer to introduce a procedure whereby all	Went to the Nov. 2022 OCM	CESM	Completed	Council Resolution No. OCM248/11/22 08/02/2023 – went to Council – find resolution in December. Yet to occur.

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		landholders without a mobile number on their rates contacts are contacted by the Shire, to request an update of their details that will benefit emergency response in emergency situations.				
08/02/2023	preventative building maintenance program	That Council requests the CEO to provide a comprehensive preventative building maintenance program to the BFAC meeting in May 2023 that includes, but is not limited to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pest management; • Roller and personnel door maintenance for security; • Water filter servicing; • Pest filters; • Gutter cleaning. 	March 2023 OCM	CESM on 10/02/2023	t.b.a.	Report to be finalised for inclusion in the March 2023 OCM Agenda
08/02/2023	Drinking Water	That Council:	March 2023	CESM on	t.b.a.	Report to be finalised for inclusion

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	Shortage	<p>Ensures short-term / long-term clear and safe access to those items mentioned at point 1 from the Shire depot site in an appropriate and safe location (i.e. not back in a sea container and not stored in the sun and able to be accessed 24/7);</p> <p>Ensures short-term / long-term 24/7 clear and safe access to the Shire depot wash bay; and</p> <p>Ensures prompt, in-person accessibility at the Shire Depot to contact and liaise with the Community Emergency Services Manager and the Emergency Management Officer;</p> <p>Requests the Chief Executive Officer to provide Toodyay VFRS with two key fobs for emergency access to the Shire depot for their fire fighting vehicles.</p>	OCM	10/02/2023		in the March 2023 OCM Agenda

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08/02/2023	Chainsaw Course Funding	<p>That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> requests the Chief Executive Officer write to the District Operations Advisory Committee requesting that the DOAC write to the State Bush Fire Operations Committee, seeking that the Minister allow for Chainsaw Course Funding to be funded through the LGGS system as an eligible funding source for the reason that brigades operate in a remote environment and chainsaw use is included in the Shire of Toodyay's Standard Operating Procedures and business of the brigades; and approves expenditure for training to be offered to at least six members and up to 50% of any brigade equipped with chainsaws 	March 2023 OCM	CESM on 10/02/2023	t.b.a.	Report to be finalised for inclusion in the March 2023 OCM Agenda

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		in the interim; and 3. requests the Chief Executive Officer arrange for recognised nationally accredited training, in accordance with Shire of Toodyay Standard Operating Procedures, for relevant brigade members by 31 March 2023.				