

## **Local Emergency Management Committee**

## **MINUTES**

Section 38 of the Emergency Management Act 2005

## Thursday 10 May 2017

#### Committee Brief:

To advise and assist the Local Government in ensuring that the Local Emergency Management arrangements are established for its district; to liaise with public authorities and other persons in the development, review and testing of Local Emergency Management arrangements; and to carry out other emergency management activities as directed by the SEMC or prescribed by the Regulations.

#### Members as per Council Resolution

Cr D Dow, Council Member

Cr T Chitty, Council Member

Cr J Dow, Council Member

Cr B Rayner, Deputy Member

Cr P Greenway, Deputy Member

Police Officer in Charge - Toodyay

Chief Executive Officer – Shire of Toodyay

**Local Recovery Coordinator** 

Deputy Recovery Coordinator

St John Ambulance representative

**DFES** Representative

Silver Chain Representative

Toodyay Volunteer Fire & Rescue representative

Red Cross Representative

Chief Bush Fire Control Officer

Department of Child Protection representative

Principal, Toodyay District High School

Community Emergency Services Manager

Health/Medical Representative.

## MINUTES OF THE LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN SHIRE OF TOODYAY COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON 10 MAY 2017

#### **Preface**

When the CEO approves these Minutes for distribution they are in essence "Unaccepted" until the following Local Emergency Management Committee Meeting, where the Minutes will be accepted as circulated subject to any amendments made by the members of the Committee.

The "Accepted" Minutes are then signed off by the Chairperson.

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

#### **Unaccepted Minutes**

These minutes were approved for distribution on 16 May 2017.

Stan Scott
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

#### **Accepted Minutes**

These minutes were accepted at a meeting held on .. 9. August 2017

Signed: Darrel K Dons

Note: The Chairperson at the meeting at which the minutes were accepted is the person who signs above.

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## Local Emergency Management Committee

## **MINUTES**

#### 1. MEETING OPENING

Cr D Dow, Chairperson, declared the meeting open at 5.03pm.

Members

Cr D Dow Council Member
Cr T Chitty Council Member
Cr J Dow Council Member

Sgt W Conder Police Officer in Charge – Toodyay

Mr S Scott Chief Executive Officer – Shire of Toodyay

Mrs N Rodger Local Recovery Coordinator

Mr C Stewart Chief Bush Fire Control Officer

Mr G Brown Principal, Toodyay District High School

<u>Staff</u>

Nil

<u>Visitors</u>

Ms Y Grigg Office of Emergency Management (SEMC Secretariat)

Apologies

Cr P Greenway Deputy Member

Mrs J Spadaccini Department of Child Protection representative

Mr R Koch Community Emergency Services Manager

Mr T Bendsten DFES Representative

#### 2. TABLING OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

2.1 Local Emergency Management Committee Meeting held on 8 February 2017

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION/LEMC RESOLUTION NO 02/05/17

**MOVED** Cr Chittv

**SECONDED** C Stewart

That the Minutes of the Local Emergency Management Committee Meeting held on 8 February 2017 be accepted as circulated.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### 3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

#### 3.1 Matters arising from previous minutes

#### 3.1.1 Warning Sirens

Y Grigg advised that she had emailed the report to R Koch but this has yet to be circulated to the LEMC.

There have been lengthy discussion about what is required with the sirens, when they would be used and how. Notes were taken at the meeting but no feedback since.

DFES have reviewed and advised complications within the matrix.

DFES and WALGA have Coordinator responses from different organisations but have yet to receive the report.

#### 3.2 Review of the LEMC Status Report (Action List)

#### 3.2.1 Training

A training exercise will be held in August 2017.

Toodyay District High School will be the focus of the exercise.

R Koch to liaise with the Mr G Brown, Principal to organise. Possible exercise is to be based on an earthquake.

- Y Grigg advised that Gingin will be holding a crossboundary exercise on 13 June 2017 to assess how different areas work together to work across the boundaries.
- DFES are holding an exercise on 21 June 2017. All welcome to attend and observe the exercise.
- A flood training workshop is being held in Northam on 11 May 2017.

#### 3.2.2 Ranger – Invitation for membership of the LEMC

- May not be necessary for membership on LEMC but should be invited to attend exercises held.
- Invitation should be extended to all organisations to attend exercises.

#### 4. CORRESPONDENCE

#### 4.1 Inward Correspondence

Nil

#### 4.2 Outward Correspondence

Nil

#### 5. STANDING ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED AT EACH MEETING

#### 5.1 Update of Contacts (committee and emergency)

- The private mobile of Sgt W Conder is listed in page 6. Needs to be replaced with the work number that is listed on page 17.
- Brigade lists will be updated shortly once they have had their AGM's.

#### 5.2 Any ISG Activations/ or incidents - debrief.

- It has been a busy season outside the restricted period. Issues with everyone burning. There have been excellent turnouts and the brigades have been maintaining their rosters for call-outs.
- A meeting will be held regarding the 'flow of information' from the DPaW burn recently. Normal practices were not followed and notification was not provided by DPaW. This caused a lot of angst within the community.

#### 5.3 Any LEMC exercise held – reports and/or debrief

Nil

#### 5.4 Training – future dates

Nil

#### 5.5 Funding – NDRP or other (e.g. community safety grants)

We will be applying for the next round of the Access and Egress tracks.

#### 6. DOCUMENTATION (to be considered at meetings where appropriate)

#### 6.1 CESM Briefing Note

The CESM and CEO attended a Wheatbelt Flood Preparedness Workshop on 27 March 2017. This was attended by DFES, LGA, Police, Main Roads, Western Power, and St John Ambulance representatives.

Presentations were provided by DFES DO Midlands Colin Brown summarising the recent Avon flooding; Steve Duggan BOM in regards to flood warning service levels and classifications; including modelling and mapping from the Department of Water. Agency participation and questions were sought. The following issues were raised which relate to the recent experience in Toodyay:

- Flood Level Classifications for Toodyay: A major flood level of 4m is not all that major in terms of impact on Toodyay and the ease in which the major level (the highest) was achieved and thus there is no scope for increased warning. This is determined and reviewed by the Flood Warning Consultative Committee.
- 2. Ability for agencies to gather road closure information for the various agencies: Currently Main Roads and Shire's work independently to no set format. The idea of a central repository (possibly with Main Roads) was floated.
- 3. No forecast peak level was provided to DFES/Shires during the recent events: It was revealed that this level of information is

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beyond what the BOM is required to provide for the Avon catchment, however modelling and levels were calculated, but not requested or provided. NB: Contact for this information has been added to the Contact and Resources Register.

#### 6.2 LEMC Meeting and Exercise Schedule

Nil

6.3 Exercise Report

Nil

6.4 Business Plan to be developed, reviewed, adopted?

Ni

6.5 Annual Report due?

Nil

#### 7. PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT

#### 7.1 Risk Workshop – York

Legislation requires that all local governments conduct a review of risk and concentrate on five highest levels of risk to the community.

Regulations require local governments to develop a Risk Register to:

- (a) Determine what the risks are;
- (b) Make an assessment on the level of consequences for risks;
- (c) Develop strategies to address / treat risks that would include:
  - Sourcing funding to aid in the reduction of risks; and
  - Develop worst case scenarios as training exercises in order to inform strategies to mitigate hazards.

**Action:** CESM and Y Grigg to report back to next LEMC Meeting in respect to the following:

#### LEMC's chosen five worst case scenarios as follows:

- 1. Fire;
- 2. Earthquake;
- 3. Chemical Spill/dams burst;
- 4. Storm; and
- 5. Train Derailment (dangerous goods).

#### 8. AGENCY UPDATES

Nil

#### 9. PRESENTATIONS OR EXERCISES

Nil

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#### 10. LEMA AND RECOVERY PLAN REVIEW

#### 10.1 LEMA Amendments

#### **Background:**

During the review of the Shire of Goomalling LEMA it was noted that private phone numbers existed in the LEMA which is a public document.

It was recommended by the Goomalling LEMC for Names only to be displayed with referral note to the Contacts and Resource Register (Non-public).

This was referred to Office of Emergency Management for comment and was deemed to be acceptable.

The Shire of Toodyay LEMA document also contains private phone numbers and the responsible officer requests the adoption of the revised LEMA (attached) which refers contact details where individuals are or may be listed to the Contacts and Resource Register (also attached).

This move will also ensure less duplication of information and hence reduced changes of error.

The officer has also made changes in respect to staff transitions within the Shire, update of general Shire phone numbers and amended references to SEMC to reflect the recent name change to OEM in order to keep the document current.

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION/LEMC RESOLUTION NO 03/05/17

**MOVED** S Scott

**SECONDED** C Stewart

That the LEMC endorse the updates to the Shire of Toodyay Local Emergency Management Arrangements as per draft version 1.01.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### 11. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

#### 12. CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING

The next Local Emergency Management Committee Meeting is scheduled for 9 August 2017, commencing at 5.00pm.

#### 13. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 6.15pm.



## **Attachments to Minutes**

**Local Emergency Management Committee** 

Tuesday 10 May 2017

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Including Recommendations made to Council, Action List and Completed items

#### **Recommendations to Council** Meeting Resp. **Title/Description of Item Proposed / Notes / Actions to be taken Deadline** Item **Date** Officer There were no recommendations 10 May 2017 N/A N/A N/A CESM made to Council at this meeting.

ACTION LIST (responses provided regarding other matters)					
Meeting Date	Item	Title/Description of Item	Resp. Officer	Status / Action / Notes or Comment	
		Training – Future Dates	CESM	Need to look at exercises that can be done on the ISG. Needs to define roles when the person is not operational.	
8 Feb 2017	5.4			Look to incorporate training regarding the ISG at the August 2017 LEMC meeting.	
LEMC				OEM has organised training on the 21 June 2017 with York. Y Grigg will organise an invitation to observe once the training has been finalised.	
8 Feb 2017 LEMC	11	GENERAL BUSINESS – Shire Ranger becoming a LEMC Representative.	CESM	R Koch asked (and sought feedback from) the membership whether the Shire Ranger could become a representative on the LEMC; as they would be beneficial with respect to Welfare and ISG.	
		LLIVIO Nepresentative.		The Committee took the question on notice.	

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Meeting Date	Item	Title/Description of Item	Resp. Officer	Status / Action / Notes or Comment		
		Risk Workshop – York	CESM and Y Grigg	Action: CESM and Y Grigg to report back to next LEMC Meeting in respect to the following:		
	7.1			LEMC's chosen five worst case scenarios as follows:		
10 May 2017				1. Fire;		
10 May 2017				2. Earthquake;		
						<ol><li>Chemical Spill/ dams burst;</li></ol>
				4. Storm; and		
				5. Train Derailment (dangerous goods).		

COMPLETED RECOMMENDATIONS (to Council) and ACTIONS completed.							
<b>Meeting Date</b>	Date Item Title/Description of Item Resp. Status / Action / N		Status / Action / Notes	RESOLUTION NO.			
10 May 2017	10.1	LEMA Amendments	CESM	That the LEMC endorse the updates to the Shire of Toodyay Local Emergency Management Arrangements as per draft version 1.01.	LEMC 03/05/17		

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# Local Emergency Management Arrangements 2016

LEMC endorsement date: 10/08/2016 Shire of Toodyay

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#### **Certificate of Approval**

The Shire of Toodyay Local Emergency Management Arrangements (LEMA) has been prepared by the Shire of Toodyay Local Emergency Management Committee to address the Shire's legislative responsibility under Section 36 and Section 41 of the Emergency Management Act 2005 and the Emergency Management Regulations 2006. The LEMA forms one part of a suite of documents collectively referred to as the Local Emergency Management Arrangements (LEMA).

The following documents are support plans and together with this plan will be known as the Shire of Toodyay Local Emergency Management Arrangements:

- Local Recovery Arrangements
- Risk Register and Treatment Schedule
- Contacts Directory
- Resources Register
- Local Emergency Management Arrangements for the Provision of Welfare Support (Department for Child Protection and Family Support), known as the CPFS Local Welfare Plan.

In accordance with State Emergency Management Policy 2.5 and ADP5, this plan has been endorsed and noted by the following entities:

- Shire of Toodyay Local Emergency Committee Endorsement
- Shire of Toodyay Council Endorsement

Shire of Toodyay Local Emergency

**Management Committee** 

- Wheatbelt District Emergency Management Committee Noting
- State Emergency Management Committee Noting.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date:
David Dow
Chairperson

Shire of Toodyay Council

\_\_\_\_\_ Date:
David Dow
Shire President

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Local Emergency Management Committee
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The Chairperson will refer any correspondence to the LEMC for consideration and or approval.

Amendments promulgated are to be certified in the below table when updated.

AMENDMENT		DETAILS OF	AMENDED BY	Document Version	
NUMBER	DATE	AMENDMENT	NAME		
1	26/04/2017	Removal of individual's Phone contact details. Replaced with referral to Contacts and Resource Register.	Robert Koch (CESM)	1.01	
2	26/04/2017	Update of Shire phone contacts and Staff details	Robert Koch (CESM)	1.01	
3 26/04/2017		Update of SEMC to OEM	Robert Koch (CESM)	1.01	

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Shier of Toodyay Deputy Local Recovery Coordinator	1
Shire of Toodyay Public Library	1
LEMC membership	
OIC Toodyay Police Station	1
Toodyay Volunteer Fire and Rescue	1
Toodyay Chief Bushfire Control Officer	1
Toodyay St John Ambulance sub-station	1
Toodyay District High School	1
Department of Child Protection and Family Support	1
Other Local Governments	
Shire of Northam	1
Shire of Goomalling	1
Shire of Victoria Plains	1
City of Swan	1
Shire of Mundaring	1
Other committees	
Wheatbelt DEMC	1
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#### **PART 1 - Introduction**

#### **Authority**

This plan has been prepared and endorsed by the Shire of Toodyay LEMC. They have been presented and endorsed by the Shire of Toodyay Council in compliance to the *Emergency Management Act 2005* Section 41. The plan has been tabled for information and comment with the Wheatbelt DEMC.

#### **Endorsement Date**

This plan was endorsed by the Shire of Toodyay LEMC on: 10/08/2016

#### **Area Covered**

The Shire of Toodyay Local Emergency Management Arrangements has been prepared for the area gazetted as the Shire of Toodyay Local Government District. The Shire of Toodyay, bordering the north eastern edge of the Perth metropolitan area, spans an area of 1683 square kilometres. The Shire of Toodyay represents the localities of Bejoording, Bindoon Military Training Area, Coondle, Culham, Dewars Pool, Dumbarton, Hoddy's Well, Julimar, Moondyne, Morangup, Nunile, Toodyay, Wattening and West Toodyay.

#### **Profile**

The Shire of Toodyay is made up of pockets of bushland and open farm land with terrain ranging from gently sloping to steep rocky inclines of varied aspects in the western area of the Shire, typical of the Darling Scarp, with the eastern portion of the Shire being of a similar nature with a higher ratio of farm land and a reduction in the general gradient and undulation as it becomes typical of the Wheatbelt and broad acre farming.

There are a significant number of bushland reserves within the Shire including the Avon Valley National Park and the Julimar Forest. In addition to this there are substantial pockets of privately owned bushland that are known to contain significant fuel loading.

#### **Key assets and infrastructure**

#### **Power**

Two lines from Northam service the town

#### Water - pipe lines

(from Northam on spur line), 2 reservoirs and pumps;

Water – pipe line to West Toodyay;

#### Sewage treatment;

Approx 3.7km North East of Toodyay, access Woodendale Road

#### **Communications**

Telephone exchanges;

Communication towers (Mobile, Radio, NBN);

#### Railway

Main East-West Railway Line;

Miling Railway Line; and

#### **Bridges**

Julimar Road Bridge across the Avon River, West Toodyay. Telegraph Road Bridge across the Avon River, Toodyay Goomalling-Toodyay Road Bridge across the Avon River, Toodyay Julimar Road Bridge across railway line, West Toodyay Dumbarton Road Bridge across the Avon River, Dumbarton Toodyay Road Bridge (Lloyds Crossing) across railway line, Dumbarton Railway Bridge across Harper Road, Toodyay Foot Bridge across the Avon River, Toodyay Main Railway Bridge crossing the Avon River off Railway Road.

**Waste Transfer Station** 

Railway Road, West Toodyay. General refuse and hazardous waste

Refer to **ANNEX B**: Key Assets and Infrastructure map

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this plan is to document:

- 1. The Shire of Toodyay's preparedness and capacity to support the effective management of an emergency that may impact on the local community;
- 2. The roles and responsibilities of public authorities and other agencies/stakeholders involved in emergency management in the Shire of Toodyay district;
- 3. A list of natural and technological hazards that may impact the local community;
- 4. Strategies and priorities for emergency management in the local government district; and
- 5. Other matters about emergency management in the local government district that the local government considers appropriate

#### Scope

The scope of this Plan is to ensure that appropriate strategies are in place to minimise the adverse effects on the community and ensure the best possible outcomes are delivered for the community in the long term.

In the case of the Shire of Toodyay, the plans and arrangements perform a multi-faceted role in protecting the health, welfare, environment and economic well-being of the community. Consequently similar plans may require differentiated levels prioritisation in the process compared with other assets.

To ensure the best possible outcomes for the Shire of Toodyay, key stakeholders and community, a comprehensive understanding of the hazards, community, environment and the interaction between consequences and resilience of the community are required.

The scope of this plan is limited to and includes:

- The geographical boundaries of the Shire of Toodyay;
- Existing Legislation, Plans and Local Laws;
- Statutory or agreed responsibilities;
- Support to and interface with other emergency management plans and agreements.

#### **Community Consultation**

The LEMC membership consists of key members of the community who are actively engaged in volunteering across a number of disciplines or are representatives of stakeholder organisations or groups. The majority of these members are residents of the Shire of Toodyay and have taken an active role in the preparation of this document. When approved, the document will be placed on the Shires official website for the general information of the community.

#### **Existing Plans and supporting documents**

To enable integrated and coordinated delivery of emergency management support within the Shire of Toodyay, this plan is consistent with State Emergency Management Policies (SEMP) and State Emergency Management Plans (Westplans). The flow chart in <a href="Annex C">Annex C</a> indicates the relationship between State plans and legislation, the Local Emergency Management Arrangements and other supporting plans and documents that together become the emergency management arrangements for the Shire of Toodyay.

#### Local Plans include:

Plan	Owner	Location
Local Emergency Management Plan for	Department for Child	Department for Child
the Provision of Welfare Support,	Protection and Family	Protection and Family Support
Northam District	Support	Shire of Toodyay
Avon Valley Response Plan 2015/16	Department of Fire	DFES Regional Office, Northam
	and Emergency	Shire of Toodyay
	Services	
Toodyay District High School Critical	Toodyay District High	Toodyay District High School
Incident Management Plan 2016	School	Shire of Toodyay
Bindoon Defence Training Area Bush Fire	Department of	DFES Regional Office, Northam
Management Plan Feb 2016 – June 2020	Defence	Shire of Toodyay

#### State plans and policy

OEM Policy Statements guiding Local Government, and WestPlans and Support Plans, can be viewed on the OEM website <a href="https://www.oem.wa.gov.au">www.oem.wa.gov.au</a>

#### **Local Arrangements**

The following documents form the local emergency management arrangements for the Shire of Toodyay:

- Local Emergency Management Arrangements;
- Local Recovery Plan;
- Emergency Contact & Resources Directory;
- Risk Register and Treatment Schedule;
- Bushfire Management Plan;
- Bindoon Military Training Area Fire Management Plan;
- Community Events Risk Management Plan;
- Local Emergency Management Arrangements for the Provision of Welfare Support CPFS Local Welfare Plan (Department for Child Protection and Family Support);

#### **Agreements, Understandings and Commitments**

Parties to the Agreement	Summary of the Agreement
Shire of Toodyay, Shire of Goomalling and DFES	MOU for the position of Community Emergency Services Manager (CESM) shared between the two Shires. The MOU is in place for three years until 2017.

#### **Finance Arrangements**

State Emergency Management Policy (SEMP 4.2) outlines the responsibilities for funding during multiagency emergencies. While recognizing the provisions of <u>SEMP 4.2</u>, the Shire of Toodyay is committed to expending such necessary funds within its current budgetary constraints as required to ensure the safety of its residents and visitors. The Chief Executive Officer should be approached immediately an emergency event requiring resourcing by the Shire of Toodyay occurs to ensure the desired level of support is achieved.

#### **Special Considerations**

Event Name	Details
Moondyne Festival	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in May, Toodyay main street closed.
	Attracts a large influx of tourists for the day
Avon Descent	Early August (Flexible date due impacted by river
	conditions). Two day white water event
	attracting many thousands of spectators and
	support crews. Event overnight campsite at
	Cobblers Pool Friday and Saturday evening.
Targa West Rally	(Mid-August) Tarmac rally event, large influx of
	competitors and spectators, multiple road
	closures.
Toodyay Races	(Late September/early October) Large influx of
	tourists and locals. Location Toodyay Race Course
Toodyay Agricultural Show	Occurs last Saturday of term 3 school holidays.
	Large influx of tourists and competitors, locals
	and animals. Location – Toodyay Show Grounds.
	Includes firework display.

#### **Local Government Responsibilities**

#### **Local Emergency Management Committee**

Under Section 38 of the Act, a local government is to establish one or more local emergency management committees for the local government district. The functions of a LEMC are described in <a href="Part 7">Part 7 of State EM Preparedness Procedures</a>

#### Local government emergency management planning

<u>Section 41</u> of the Emergency Management Act 2005 sets out the responsibilities of local government to prepare local emergency management arrangements for its district.

#### **Hazard Management Agency Responsibilities**

The role of Hazard Management Agencies (HMA) is described in Sections 4 and 5 of the Emergency Management Act 2005.

#### **Public Information**

The HMA is responsible for disseminating public information during an emergency. Public information is to be dealt with under <u>WESTPLAN – Emergency Public Information</u>, and <u>SEMP 4.6 Emergency Public Information</u>.

Additionally the Shire of Toodyay may utilise the following systems when required for emergency events and warnings:

- Harvest and vehicle Movement Ban SMS to communicate with the farming community
- Shire Website/social media channels
- Utilisation or leveraging of additional SMS or Email lists (such as BFB or School)

During periods where contemporary communications systems are inoperable or effective reach reduced, the following communication methods may be considered for use:

- Printed material on community notice boards
- Community meetings
- Door knocking

Once a formal transition from response to recovery has been agreed between the HMA and Local Government, local government will assume responsibility for disseminating public information to the affected community in accordance to the provisions of the <u>Local Government Act 1995</u> Section 2.8 and 5.4 (1)(f). **Refer to the Local Recovery Plan for guidance.** 

#### **Local Emergency Operations Centres**

The local EOC for an emergency will be designated by the HMA "Incident Manager". Where the HMA requests an alternate location for the EOC or where the primary location is non-operational, the following facilities are available if deemed appropriate for use:

#### **Primary Emergency Operations Centre (Response)**

	Toodyay Co-location Centre - Stirling Terrace, Toodyay		
	Contact Name		Contact
	1st Contact	CESM	
OPERATIONS CENTRE	2nd Contact	lan MacGregor	Refer to Contacts and Resource Register
	3rd Contact	Shire Ranger	Ç

#### **Alternative Emergency Operations Centres (Response/Recovery)**

	Shire of Toodyay Depot – 335 Railway Road, Toodyay		
	Contact	Contact Name Contact	
OPERATIONS	1st Contact	Scott Patterson	
&	2nd Contact	CESM	Refer to Contacts and Resource Register
RECOVERY	3rd Contact	Shire Ranger	

	Shire of Toodyay Office - 15 Fiennes Street, Toodyay (NB: Not WAERN equipped)		
	Contact	Contact Name Contact	
OPERATIONS	1st Contact	Scott Patterson	
&	2nd Contact	CESM	Refer to Contacts and Resource Register
RECOVERY	3rd Contact	Shire Ranger	J

	Morangup Fire Station and Community Hall – Wallaby Way,  Morangup  (NB: Limited mobile phone reception/capacity at this site,  community hall not WAERN equipped)		
	Contact	Name	Contact
OPERATIONS & RECOVERY	1st Contact	CESM	
	2nd Contact	Craig Stewart	Refer to Contacts and Resource Register
	3rd Contact	Shire Ranger	

#### **PART 2 - Planning**

#### **Local Emergency Coordinator (LEC)**

Under the *Emergency Management Act 2005* section 37, the LEC is appointed by the State Emergency Coordinator and is based in the Local Government district. At the local level the LEC has responsibility for providing advice and support to the LEMC in the development and maintenance of EM arrangements, and assisting the Hazard Management Agency in the provision of a coordinated multiagency response during an emergency in the district.

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The Local Emergency Coordinator for the local government district is the Officer in Charge Toodyay Police Station.

#### **Local Emergency Management Committee (LEMC)**

The Shire of Toodyay has established an LEMC to plan, administer and test this plan and other plans and documents that make up the local emergency management arrangements.

Membership of the LEMC is representative of the agencies, community groups, non-government organisations and other persons having been identified as possessing relevant emergency management knowledge or the agency or group they represent may have a role in resolving emergency events. For a complete list of LEMC member agencies refer to Annex H.

#### **LEMC Functions and responsibilities:**

The LEMC should follow a meeting and business cycle as recommended in Appendix 1 of ADP-5 Emergency management in Local Government. For direct reference to the schedule refer to <u>Annex I</u>.

#### **LEMC Executive**

Chair	Shire President
Deputy Chair	OIC Toodyay Police Station
Executive Officer	Shire of Toodyay officer

#### **Risk Register & Treatment Schedule**

The LEMC conducted a risk study in 2012 to identify and analyse natural and technological hazards likely to impact of the Shire of Toodyay local government district. Initial identification processes of the hazards most likely to have an impact has been completed and those identified hazards form the basis for this plan. Those hazards are listed at Annex F. The Shire will join with neighbouring local governments as part of the State Emergency Management Committee State Risk Project – Local to be conducted during 2016-17. Following that process, the Shire will have contributed to a district aligned risk study and will be in a better position to align its risk management process with that of the State.

#### PART 3 - Response

#### **Emergency Management Structure and Response levels**

The Shire of Toodyay Emergency Management Arrangements are consistent with the *Emergency Management Act 2005* and the *Emergency Management Regulations 2006*, State Policy and plans as appropriate to local governments. When an emergency event occurs (storm, earthquake or other incident) the HMA will make an assessment of the severity or likely impact of the event and make an informed assessment of the level to be assigned as identified in the chart below. Local response refers to the level of support required by the event level assigned. The Shire is committed to providing the appropriate level of support as is required by the Hazard Management Agency where reasonably practicable.

Event Level	Local Response
Level 1  (No significant issues, single agency response, minimal community impact)	Provide such assistance as may be required to support the resolution of an incident at the local level including:  Personnel Equipment Local knowledge and advice
Level 2  (Multi agency response, protracted duration, requires coordination of multi-agency resources, medium impact, may be declared an Emergency Situation)	Provide such assistance as may be required to support the resolution of an incident at the local level including:  • Personnel  • Equipment  • Local knowledge and advice  Where an ISG is formed:  • Provide a Local Government Liaison Officer.  • Make available to the HMA local facilities designated in this plan as evacuation centres.
Level 3  (Requires significant multiagency response, significant impact on community, declaration of Emergency Situation or State of Emergency)	Provide such assistance as may be required to support the resolution of an incident at the local level including:  • Personnel  • Equipment  • Local knowledge and advice  Where an ISG or OASG is formed:  • Provide Local Government Liaison Officers.  • Make available to the HMA local facilities designated in this plan as evacuation centres.

#### **Emergency actions**

Emergency events such as severe storms and cyclones have a lead time where the local government will receive warnings in the form of weather alerts or cyclone watch information from a number of sources. Other emergencies such as bush fires and earthquakes are rapid onset emergencies leaving little time for pre-planning. The local government officers responsible for emergency management will need to ensure that the local government reacts to emergencies in a timely and purposeful way.

To ensure a timely response to any of the hazards identified in Annex F, local or district contact details for HMA, Combat and Supporting Agency are listed below:

#### **HMA Combat and Support Agency Contact Details**

AGENCY NAME	CONTACT NUMBER
Department of Fire and Emergency	
Services	
Parks & Wildlife	Refer to Contacts and
Department for Child Protection	Resource Register
and Family Support	
WA Police	

HMAs, Controlling and Support Agencies may require resources held by the local government and assistance to manage the emergency. The Shire is committed to providing assistance/support if the required resources are available.

#### **Local Government Involvement in Response**

The Shire of Toodyay will ensure that all staff members who have a designated role in emergency management receive adequate training to equip them for the role they are designated to undertake in an emergency situation.

Depending upon the incident, the Shire of Toodyay will provide a Local Government Liaison Officer (LGLO) to attend the Incident Support Group (ISG) should one be called and to attend all subsequent meetings. The LGLO designated to attend will hold managerial status and be able to provide expert knowledge relevant to the incident.

#### **Shire of Toodyay Incident Management**

The successful resolution of any incident whether internal or external affecting the Shire of Toodyay is of paramount importance and must be responded to and resolved in a coordinated way. Senior personnel within the Shire of Toodyay must take responsibility for ensuring the Shire's response to an emergency event is coordinated and informed.

#### Responsibilities

- Ensuring planning and preparation for emergencies is undertaken;
- Implementing procedures that assist the community and emergency services deal with incidents;
- Ensuring that all personnel with emergency planning and preparation, response and recovery responsibilities are properly trained in their role;
- Reporting any matters likely to impact the Shire's systems and resources;
- Keep appropriate records of incidents that have occurred to ensure continual improvement of the Shire's emergency response capability.

#### **Incident Support Group (ISG)**

The ISG consists of a group of agency/organisation liaison officers, including the designated Emergency Coordinator, convened and chaired by a person appointed by the Controlling Agency to provide agency specific expert advice and support in relation to the response to an incident. The Incident Support Group's main function is to coordinate resources to assist the Incident Management Team/s responsible for direct combat of the emergency. The makeup and duties of the ISG are established and described in SEMP 4.1.

The Shire of Toodyay Liaison Officer will attend all meetings of the ISG as **'liaison officer'** and represent the local government on the Incident Support Group upon the request of the appointed Incident Controller.

The role of the nominated Liaison Officer is to liaise with the Incident Controller (HMA) and is described in Annex D

#### **Community Evacuation**

Circumstances may arise where there may be the need to partially or totally evacuate or relocate the population of a particular area or areas within the Shire of Toodyay.

Evacuation can be either:

**Controlled** -This refers to either a recommended or directed evacuation, where a HMA/Controlling Agency is undertaking specific activity to manage the withdrawal of people from an area at risk or subject to the effects of a hazard.

**Directed** - A HMA/Controlling Agency may issue a direction for people and/or animals to evacuate/be evacuated with which they are obliged to comply in circumstances where it is believed there is an imminent and real threat to life should they remain.

**Recommended** - A controlled evacuation whereby a HMA/Controlling Agency provides advice to members of a community that they evacuate, when the Incident Controller believes this represents the best option to mitigate the effects of an emergency on a community based on the agency's risk assessment at that time, but where the risk is not perceived as extreme/imminent.

All evacuations shall be managed in accordance with:

- SEMP 4.7 Community Evacuation
- Western Australia Community Evacuation in Emergencies Guide.

#### **Evacuation Management**

The decision to evacuate during an emergency rests with the Incident Controller appointed by the HMA/ Controlling Agency. The Act allows the Hazard Management Officer or an authorised officer to direct the evacuation and removal of persons or animals from the emergency area or any part of the emergency area only during an emergency situation or state of emergency as outlined in Section 67 of the Act. In all other circumstances a HMA can only recommend that evacuation take place.

When evacuation or relocation is being considered, the Hazard Management or Controlling Agency will consult with the Department for Child Protection and Family Support to support an informed decision on evacuation and its management.

A decision on the need for evacuation will be made by the HMA. Evacuation will occur in a planned and safe manner. Local police will be requested to assist in the evacuation process.

#### Access and egress routes

**The major access road** to the Shire of Toodyay from Perth is Toodyay Road, which runs through the townsite of Gidgegannup in the City of Swan to the townsite of Toodyay.

Other major arteries in and out of the Shire include the Toodyay-Northam Road linking Toodyay and Northam, Toodyay-Goomalling Road linking Toodyay and Goomalling, Bindi-Bindi Road linking Toodyay and Bolgart, Julimar Road linking Toodyay and Chittering and Dewar's Pool Road (off Bindi-Bindi Road) linking Toodyay with Bindoon.

The Shire is divided in two by the Avon River which has four major Road Bridges and one Railway Bridge crossing it. The road bridges are West Toodyay Bridge on Julimar Road in West Toodyay, Newcastle Bridge (Bolgart Bridge) on Stirling Terrace/Telegraph Road and Connors Bridge (Goomalling Bridge) on Goomalling Road both in the townsite and Dumbarton Bridge on Dumbarton Road (off the Northam/Toodyay Road). The Railway Bridge crosses the Avon River in the vicinity of Toodyay Brook also crossing Toodyay West Road on the edge of the Toodyay townsite on the eastern side and crossing Railway Road on the western side of the river.

Within the Shire, there are a number of rural-residential subdivisions with limited access and egress options. These limitations are identified and described in the <a href="Shire of Toodyay Strategic Review of Bushfire Policy">Shire Policy</a>. This document underpins ongoing community evacuation planning and strategy.

Currently, alternate routes for gaining access or enabling evacuation include:

SUBDIVISION OR AREA	DESCRIPTION OF ROUTE	UTILISATION
Toodyay Highlands, Coondle	Emergency Access Way linking Fawell Road, north to Church Gully Road	<ul><li>Evacuation, north to Church</li><li>Gully Road</li><li>Emergency Service Access,</li><li>south from Church Gully Road</li></ul>
Forrest Edge, Parkviews Estate, Sanctuary Park & Woodland Heights, Coondle	Emergency Access Way linking Forrest Edge, Parkviews Estate, Sanctuary Park in the east with Woodland Heights area to the west (between Jarrah Court and Horseshoe Road)	<ul> <li>Evacuation (bi-directional)</li> <li>Emergency Service Access (bi-directional)</li> </ul>
Rugged Hill/Brookdale, West Toodyay	Emergency Access Way linking ends of Dreyer Road and Wilkerson Road.	Internal connectivity link providing alternate southern connections to Julimar Road.

Julimar Springs, Julimar	Emergency Access Way linking end of Sand Spring Road to Malkup Brook Road Road.	Internal connectivity link assisting evacuation south from Sand Spring Road to greater subdivision area.
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#### Other pre emergency evacuation considerations

Mobile phone coverage is limited in much of the Shire including significant parts of the following subdivision areas:

- Bejoording
- Morangup

#### **Media Management and Public Information**

Communities threatened or impacted by emergencies have an urgent and vital need for information and direction relevant to their personal circumstances. There is the need for adequate, timely and accurate information that enables the community members to take appropriate actions to safeguard life and property. The provision of this information is the responsibility of the HMA. It is likely that individual agencies will want to issue media releases for their areas of responsibility (e.g. Water Corporation on water issues, Western Power on power issues, etc.) however, the release times, issues identified and content shall be coordinated through the ISG to avoid conflicting messages being given to the public.

#### **Public Warning Systems**

The hazard management agency controlling the response to the emergency will direct the release of public information via various sources and tools as listed below:

**SEWS:** - Standard Emergency Warning Signal. This is an electronic signal transmitted via radio immediately preceding an "Emergency Warning Message".

**Emergency Alert:** - A telephone based warning system which can capture all telephones within a specific geographic area.

**Emergency warning messages:** - Verbal messages transmitted by the electronic media.

Additionally the hazard management agency controlling the response to the emergency may consider the use of other local methods/systems as identified in Part 1 – Public Information.

#### **Vulnerable Groups**

Vulnerable groups may include the sick, elderly, children, Aboriginal people, culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) people, FIFO workers and tourists. In addition, town based organisations catering for the most vulnerable in the community must come under consideration. For a comprehensive list of these community based vulnerable groups refer to Annex G

### **Community Evacuation Organisations and Responsibilities**

Agency / Task	Responsible person / position / agency		
	Management of the emergency incident		
	<ul> <li>Warning messages to the affected community</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Decisions affecting the evacuation of locations likely to be impacted by the emergency</li> </ul>		
HMA/Controlling Agency	The decision to evacuate a community or portions thereof		
	<ul> <li>Evacuation route planning and traffic management</li> </ul>		
	Road closures during emergencies		
	Identification of evacuation centres		
	Return of the evacuated community		
WA Police	Assist with evacuating the affected community		
	Assist with traffic management		
	Liaise with Incident Controller		
	Participate in ISG and provide local support		
Shire of Toodyay	<ul> <li>Where an identified evacuation centre is a building owned and operated by the Shire of Toodyay, provide a liaison officer to support the CPFS</li> </ul>		
Department for Child Protection and Family Support & Shire of Toodyay	Identify appropriate evacuation centres in consultation with Incident Controller and Local Government		
	Receive evacuees and coordinate the provision of welfare for evacuees		
Property security	WA Police		
	WA Police initially		
Traffic management	Traffic contractors as appointed by MRWA or the Shire of Toodyay		

Welfare	Department of Chid Protection and family	
	Support (CPFS), and The Shire of Toodyay	

#### **Evacuation Centres**

Local government buildings suitable for use as evacuation centres have been identified and listed in this plan in the event an incident occurs.

The following table details the welfare centres owned by the Shire of Toodyay available and deemed suitable for the purpose. The 'number of persons' figure indicates the number of evacuees that could comfortably sleep in the welfare centre and the registered building capacity has been used to identify the number of people either sitting or sleeping.

The CPFS will activate the Local Welfare Plan should the need for activation of a welfare centre be deemed necessary by the Incident Controller (IC). The Local Government Liaison Officer (LGLO) dispatched to the Emergency Operations Centre will arrange for the opening of an Evacuation Centre when requested to do so by the IC and/or CPFS.

Building Name	Site Address	Capacity Seated	Capacity Sleeping	Contact details
Toodyay Memorial Hall	117 Stirling Terrace, Toodyay	200	60	Shire Admin Centre 9574 9300/ Rangers 9574 9370
Showground Pavilion	Cnr telegraph Rd and Toodyay Street	100	30	Shire Admin Centre 9574 9300/ Rangers 9574 9370

The above local government owned building has been identified by the Shire of Toodyay as a suitably constructed and equipped evacuation centre for use in emergencies meeting the requirements for sheltering of persons for up to 24 hours.

For other welfare centres refer to the CPFS Local Emergency management Arrangements for the Provision of Welfare Support.

Note: CPFS is to be contacted whenever an evacuation is considered as the Department has responsibility for the provision of welfare services to evacuees and management of registration and inquiry services using the Red Cross 'Register. Find. Reunite' system and associated forms which can be located at <a href="https://register.redcross.org.au">https://register.redcross.org.au</a>

CPFS Local Welfare Plan contains details of all local government controlled Welfare Centres. Shire

#### Welfare Support

CPFS is responsible for the coordination of welfare support services and undertakes the provision of services to support the physical and psychological needs of a community affected by an emergency.

This includes the functional areas of personal services, emergency accommodation, financial assistance, registration and inquiry services, emergency clothing, and personal requisites.

# **Provision of Welfare Support**

The following State plans and supporting plans apply

- Westplan Welfare
- Westplan Registration and Reunification

The provision of welfare services shall be based on a two-tier response; local resources (Local Welfare Coordinator) followed by State support (State Welfare Coordinator).

## **Department for Child Protection and Family Support**

## **Local Welfare Coordinator (CPFS):**

CPFS shall appoint a Local Welfare Coordinator (LCW) who will liaise with the Shire of Toodyay Local Welfare Liaison Officer, if one has been appointed by the Shire of Toodyay, and coordinate the provision of resources detailed in the abovementioned support plans

## **Local Government Welfare Liaison Officer (LGWLO):**

The Shire of Toodyay will provide an officer to be Liaison/support between CPFS and the local government where a welfare centre has been established within the local government district. The duties to be performed by the Local Government Welfare Officer are described in <u>Annex E:</u>

# PART 4 - Recovery

#### Introduction

## **Authority**

The local recovery plan has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the *Emergency Management Act 2005* [s.41 (4)] and State Emergency Management Policy 2.5 and forms part of the Shire of Toodyay Local Emergency Management Arrangements.

#### **Area Covered**

The Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Plan has been prepared for the area gazetted as the Shire of Toodyay Local Government District.

# **Purpose**

The purpose of this plan is to describe the arrangements for effectively managing recovery at the local level, including accountability and responsibility.

#### **Objectives**

The objectives of this plan are to:

- Describe the roles, responsibilities, available resources and procedures for the management of recovery from emergencies for the Shire of Toodyay;
- Establish a basis for the coordination of recovery activities at the local level;
- Promote effective liaison between all Hazard Management Agencies (HMA), emergency services and supporting agencies, which may become involved in recovery management; and
- Provide a framework for recovery operations for the Shire of Toodyay.

#### Scope

The scope of this recovery plan is limited to the boundaries of the Shire of Toodyay. It details the general recovery arrangements for the community and does not in any way detail how individual organisations will conduct recovery activities within their core business areas.

# **Related documents and arrangements**

The following documents are related to this plan

- Shire of Toodyay Local Emergency Management Arrangements
- Shire of Toodyay Resources & Contacts Register
- Shire of Toodyay Asset Management Plan;
- Local Emergency Management Plan for the Provision of Welfare Support (Department for Child Protection and Family Support), known as the CPFS Local Welfare Plan.

#### **Local Government**

The Shire of Toodyay is required by State legislation Section 41 (4) Emergency Management Act 2005 to ensure that a Local Recovery Plan is prepared for its local government district within the local emergency management arrangements. This includes the identification of a Local Recovery Coordinator

and other persons who may be called upon to act in that capacity upon the unavailability of the nominated Local Recovery Coordinator.

## State plans and policy

The following documents relate to this plan:

Document Title	Document Owner
State Emergency Management Plan for	OEM
Recovery Coordination	
State Emergency Management Plan for the	OEM
Provision of Welfare Support (Westplan	
Welfare)	
SEMP 4.2 Funding for Emergencies	OEM
SEMP 4.9 Australian Government Physical	OEM
<u>Assistance</u>	
State Emergency Management Procedures OP-	OEM
19 Management of Public Fundraising and	
<u>Donations</u>	
Western Australia Natural Disaster Relief and	Dept. of the Premier
Recovery Arrangements (WANDRRA) Guide for	and Cabinet
<u>Local Government</u>	
Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund	LMDRF Board

# **Local Recovery Resources**

The Local Recovery Coordinator for the Shire of Toodyay is responsible for determining the resources required for recovery activities in consultation with the Hazard Management Agency and Support Organisations. The Shire of Toodyay resources are identified in the Resources Register. The Local Recovery Coordinator (LRC) is responsible for coordinating the effective provision of activities, resources and services for the Shire of Toodyay should an emergency occur.

The internal and external local resources available and contact details for recovery have been identified and are included in Annex K.

## **Financial arrangements**

The primary responsibility for safeguarding and restoring public and private assets affected by an emergency rests with the asset owner, who needs to understand the level of risk and have appropriate mitigation strategies in place.

The Shire of Toodyay has arrangements in place to insure its assets. Assets are recorded and managed through the Roman II Asset Management System. The Shire of Toodyay has in place an Asset Management Plan. The Manager of Works and Services will be involved early in the recovery process.

Through the Western Australian Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (WANDRRA) the State Government provides a range of relief measures to assist communities recover from an eligible natural event. The Shire of Toodyay will make claims for recovery activities where they are deemed eligible under WANDRRA. More information regarding WANDRRA is available from the Department of

Premier and Cabinet web page - link -

http://www.dpc.wa.gov.au/DPCFunctions/ReliefAndRecovery/Pages/Default.aspx.

The Department of the Premier and Cabinet, as the State Administrator, may activate WANDRRA for an eligible event if the estimated cost to the State of eligible measures is anticipated to exceed the Small Disaster Criterion (currently set at \$240,000).

Wherever possible, State Government resources and services will be provided in accordance with a public authority's existing statutory and contractual responsibilities, policies or plans.

Any recommendations for the implementation of assistance measures outside existing policies must be submitted to the Premier for consideration.

## **Financial preparation**

The Shire of Toodyay will take the following actions to ensure they are prepared financially to undertake recovery activities should the need arise. These actions include:

- Understanding and treating risks to the community through an appropriate risk management process;
- Ensuring assets are recorded, maintained and adequately insured where possible;
- Establishing a cash reserve for the purpose where it is considered appropriate for the level of risk;
- Understanding the use of section 6.8(1) (b) or (c) of the Local Government Act 1995. Under this section, expenditure not included in the annual budget can be authorised in advance by an absolute majority decision of the Council, or by the mayor or president in an emergency and then reported to the next ordinary meeting of the Council;
- Understanding the use of section 6.11(2) of the Local Government Act 1995 to utilise a cash reserve established for another purpose, subject to one month's public notice being given of the use for another purpose. Local Government Financial Management Regulations 1996 regulation 18(a) provides and exemption for giving local public notice to change the use of money in a reserve where the mayor or president has authorised expenditure in an emergency. This would still require a formal decision of the Council before money can be accessed.
- Understanding the use of section 6.20(2) of the Local Government Act 1995 to borrow funds, subject to one month's local public notice of the proposal and exercising of the power to borrow by an absolute majority decision of the Council;
- Ensuring an understanding of the types of assistance that may be available under the Western
  Australian Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (WANDRRA), and what may be
  required of local government in order to gain access to this potential assistance.
- Understanding the need to manage cash flow requirements by making use of the option of submitting progressive claims for reimbursement from WANDRRA, or Main Roads WA.

## **Managing Donations**

Organisations wishing to establish public appeals for cash donations should use the Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund managed by the City of Perth, as detailed in OEM Procedure OP-19 – Managing of Public Fundraising and Donations.

NOTE: Appeals for donations of physical items such as food and furniture should be discouraged unless specifically requested through the Local Recovery Coordination Group. In all instances cash donations should be encouraged with prospective donors directed to the Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund. (Refer to Annex Q for suggested media release relating to donation of goods)

# Roles and responsibilities

The roles and responsibilities of those involved in recovery management are outlined below:

## **Local Recovery Coordinator**

The Shire of Toodyay Council has appointed the following officers and key personnel to lead the community recovery process in accordance with the requirements of the Emergency Management Act, Section 41(4). The Shire of Toodyay may appoint more than one person to the position of LRC by appointing and training more than one person to undertake the role of the LRC, coverage is assured in the event the primary appointee is unavailable when an emergency occurs.

LRCG Position	Appointee
LRCG Chair	Shire President
Local Recovery Coordinator	Finance Coordinator
Alternate LRC	Environmental Health Officer

The Local Recovery Coordinator is responsible for the development and implementation of the recovery management arrangements for the local government. The functions of the LRC are explained in Annex J

## **Local Recovery Coordinating Group (LRCG)**

The Local Recovery Coordinating Group (LRCG) comprises a core membership comprising local government managers, HMA personnel, personnel representing supporting organisations and community representatives. The LRCG is responsible for the overall coordination of community recovery following an emergency event. The LRCG may, depending upon the scale and type of event, form Subcommittees with specific responsibilities each reporting to the LRCG. The makeup of the LRCG or any respective Sub-committees will be determined by the scale of the event. The LRCG and Sub-committees will change over time.

- The LRCG must be driven by the Operational Recovery Plan. Refer to Annex O.
- For suggested composition of the LRCG and Sub-committees refer to Annex L
- For suggested roles of the LRCG Sub-committees refer to <u>Annex M</u>
- For suggested LRCG Sub-committee Terms of Reference refer to <u>Annex N</u>

## **Controlling Agency/ Hazard Management Agency**

The Controlling Agency/ HMA with the responsibility for the response to an emergency will initiate recovery activity during the response to that emergency. To facilitate recovery, the Controlling Agency/ HMA will:

- Liaise with the Local Recovery Coordinator where the emergency is occurring and include them
  in the incident management arrangements including the Incident Support Group and the
  Operations Area Support Group;
- Undertake and initial impact assessment for the emergency and provide that assessment to the Local Recovery Coordinator and the State Recovery Coordinator;
- Coordinate completion of the Comprehensive Impact Assessment, prior to cessation of the response in accordance with the approved procedure and in consultation with the Incident Support Group, all affected local governments and the State Recovery Coordinator;
- Provide risk management advice to the affected community (in consultation with the HMA).

## **Determination of level of state involvement**

## **State Recovery Coordinator**

In conjunction with the local government/s, the State Recovery Coordinator is to consider the level of state involvement required, based on a number of factors pertaining to the impact of the emergency. For a list of criteria to be considered as triggers for escalation, refer to Appendix D of <a href="Westplan">Westplan</a>—<a href="Recovery Coordination">Recovery Coordination</a>. The capacity of the local government to manage the recovery, the number of local governments affected, and the complexity and length of the recovery are likely to be critical factors.

#### **Assessment and Operational Recovery Planning**

It is essential that an assessment of the recovery and restoration requirements be conducted as soon as possible after the impact of the event. This assessment will be based on the Impact Assessment data provided by the Controlling Agency.

Depending upon the extent of the restoration and reconstruction required, the Local Recovery Coordinator and Local Recovery Coordinating Group should develop a specific Operational Recovery Management Plan setting out the recovery process to be implemented. For an Operational Recovery Plan template refer to Annex O.

# PART 5 - Testing, Exercising and Reviewing

# **Testing and Exercising**

Paragraph 27 of <u>ADP-5 Emergency Management for Local Government</u> directs that the local government will ensure the local arrangements are exercised at least annually in either of the following formats:

- Discussion (Seminars, Workshops, Desktops)
- Functional (Drills or game style)
- Field or Full Deployment (large scale)

The benefits of testing these arrangements include:

- Determining the effectiveness of the arrangements;
- Bringing together all relevant people to promote knowledge of and confidence in the arrangements and individuals;
- Providing the opportunity to promote the arrangements and educate the community;
- Providing the opportunity for testing participating agencies operational procedures and skills in simulated emergency conditions while testing the ability of agencies to work together on common tasks;
- Improving the arrangements in accordance with the results of exercise debriefings.
   It should be remembered that as the primary role of local government in emergency management is 'recovery', programs that exercise recovery activities and preparedness are to be foremost.

#### **Schedule of Exercises**

The LEMC shall undertake to conduct at least one multi-agency exercise per year, though a minimum of one exercise per year will be conducted as required by SEMP 2.5 in accordance with the provisions of <a href="ADP-5 Emergency Management for Local Government">ADP-5 Emergency Management for Local Government</a> report forwarded the District Emergency Management Committee (DEMC) in the prescribed format.

These exercises may be conducted and reviewed by an independent facilitator and/or panel of appropriately qualified people. The review will include the conduct of a multi-agency debrief and the production of a report to the committee with recommendations for areas of possible improvement to these arrangements.

Exercises may take various forms and should be developed under the guidance of a trained exercise management practitioner. Exercise Formats include:

- Discussion Exercise:
- Orientation exercise
- Agency presentation
- Hypothetical/tabletop exercise
- Functional Exercise

Where possible the community should be encouraged to participate in or observe the exercise.

# Review of this plan

The Local Emergency Management Arrangements will be reviewed on a continual basis and particularly where they have been activated for any reason. The plan will at a minimum be reviewed at least every five (5) years.

The Executive Officer of the LEMC is responsible for ensuring the review of the plan occurs.

# **ANNEX A: Glossary of Terms and Acronyms**

**CONTROLLING AGENCY** - The term "Controlling Agency" is used to refer to an agency nominated (through legislation or by agreement with the HMA) to control the response activities to an incident. A Controlling Agency may not be the prescribed HMA but a HMA will always be a Controlling Agency. The Controlling Agency appoints an Incident Controller and may appoint an Operational Area Manager for strategic management of a Level 3 emergency. (Source OEM website HMA Structure).

**DISTRICT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**- is responsible for assisting in the establishment and maintenance of effective emergency management arrangements for the district for which it is constituted and has such other functions as are prescribed by the Regulations.

**EMERGENCY-** an event, actual or imminent, which endangers or threatens to endanger life, property or the environment, and which is beyond the resources of a single organisation or which requires the coordination of a number of significant emergency management activities.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT** - Emergency Management means the management of the adverse effects of an emergency including –

- 1. Prevention the mitigation or prevention of the probability of the occurrence of, and the potential adverse effects of, an emergency;
- 2. Preparedness preparation for response to an emergency;
- 3. Response the combatting of the effects of an emergency, provision of emergency assistance for casualties, reduction of further damage, and help to speed recovery; and
- 4. Recovery the support of emergency affected communities in the reconstruction and restoration of physical infrastructure, the environment and community, psychosocial and economic wellbeing.

**EMERGENCY RISK MANAGEMENT** – Coordinated activities of an organisation or a government to direct and control risk.

The risk management process includes the activities of:

- Communication and consultation
- Establishing the context
- Risk assessment which includes
  - Risk identification
  - Risk analysis
  - Risk evaluation
- Risk treatment
- Monitoring and review

(Ref. National Emergency Risk Assessment Guidelines AEM Manual Series Handbook 10)

**HAZARD** – a situation or condition with potential of/for loss or harm to the community or the environment.

**HAZARD MANAGEMENT AGENCY** - Hazard Management Agency (HMA) - prescribed given their functions under written law or because of their specialised knowledge, expertise and resources in respect of a particular hazard. HMAs will nearly always be responsible for leading a response to an emergency in relation to the type of hazard for which they are prescribed.

The term 'HMA' is used in the context of identifying the agency responsible for specific actions as detailed within the EM Act.

**INCIDENT** – an emergency, which impacts upon a localized community or geographical area but not requiring the coordination and significant multi-agency emergency management activities at a district or State level.

**INCIDENT CONTROLLER** – The person appointed by a Hazard Management Agency or Controlling Agency to manage the response effort.

**LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS** – refers to this document and may also be referred to as 'these arrangements' or 'local arrangements'.

LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE – established by the local government and consists of a chairperson and other members appointed by the relevant local government with the Shire President/Mayor or person appointed by the Local Government as the chairperson of the committee. Functions of the Local Emergency Management Committee to advise the and assist the local government in ensuring that local emergency management arrangements are established for its district, to liaise with public authorities and other persons in the development, review and testing of local emergency management arrangements, and to carry out other emergency management activities as prescribed by the regulations and directed by the OEM.

**RECOVERY -** includes all activities to support affected communities in the reconstruction of physical infrastructure and restoration of emotional, social, economic and physical wellbeing.

**RISK** – The effect of uncertainty on objectives.

**RISK MANAGEMENT** – Coordinated activities to direct and control an organisation (or government) with regard to risk. (Adapted from ISO Guide 73:2009 Risk Management Vocabulary)

#### **ACCRONYMS USED IN THESE ARRANGEMENTS**

**CEO:** Chief Executive Officer

**CEMO:** Community Emergency Management Officer

**CPFS:** Department for Child Protection and Family Support

**DEMC:** District Emergency Management Committee **DFES:** Department of Fire and Emergency Services

**LEC:** Local Emergency Coordinator

IC: Incident Controller

IMT: Incident Management Team
ISG: Incident Support Group

**LEMC:** Local Emergency Management Committee

LGA: Local Government Authority
LGLO: Local Government Liaison Officer

**LGWLO:** Local Government Welfare Liaison Officer

**LRC:** Local Recovery Coordinator

LRCG: Local Recovery Coordinating Group

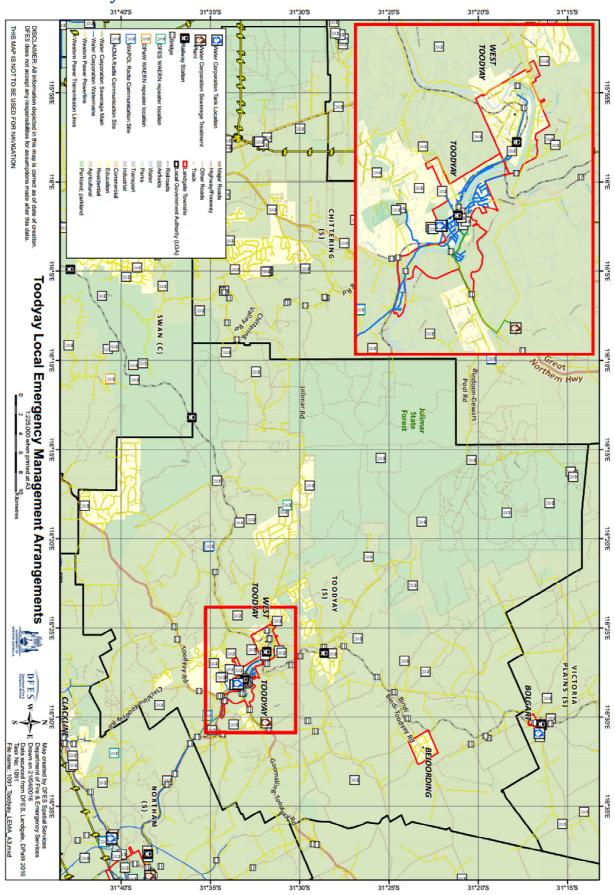
OASG: Operations Area Support Group

**OIC:** Officer in Charge

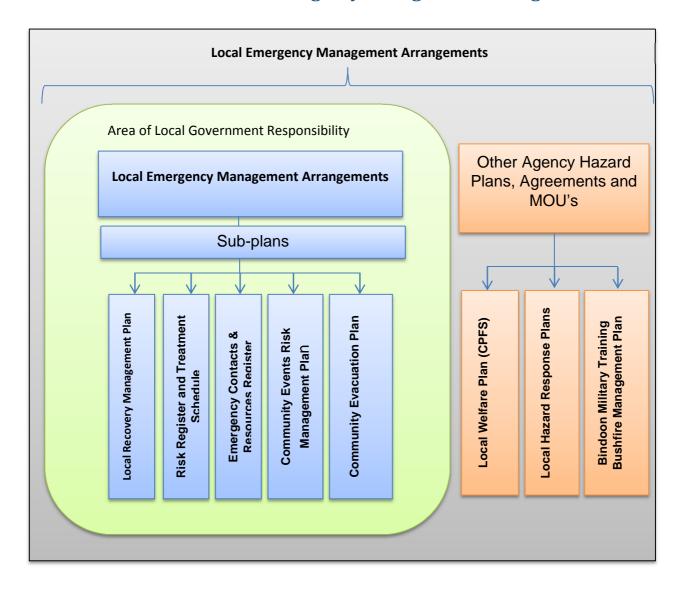
OEM: Office of Emergency Management
SEMP: State Emergency Management Policy

SES: State Emergency Service
WAP: Western Australia Police

# **ANNEX B: Key Assets and Infrastructure**



**ANNEX C: State and Local Emergency Management Arrangements** 



# **ANNEX D: Local Government Liaison Officer (LGLO)**

## **Role and Responsibilities**

The Shire of Toodyay will provide a Local Government Liaison Officer on every occasion that an Incident Support Group (ISG) is formed by the Hazard Management Agency (HMA) or the Controlling Agency (CA). It is essential for the successful determination of the response to any emergency that the LGLO be available to advise the Incident Controller (IC) and provide local resources where required. The specific roles and responsibilities of the LGLO are explained below:

#### Role

The LGLO is essentially an officer of the local government holding either a managerial or executive position within the local government and be capable of making operational decisions and committing the resources of the local government.

# **Key Responsibilities**

SEMP 4.1 Operational Management sets out the structure and responsibilities of the Incident Support Group (ISG). The ISG is headed by the Incident Controller (IC) nominated by the Hazard management Agency (HMA) or the Controlling Agency to manage the response to the emergency. The ISG consists of liaison officers from local organisations involved in the incident.

The key responsibilities of the LGLO are to:

- Make contact with the HMA or Controlling Agency Incident Controller;
- Represent the local government at all ISG meetings;
- Provide the IC with timely information on local issues and key factors affecting response activities;
- Provide the IC with a copy of the Local Emergency Management Arrangements;
- Identify vulnerable groups within the local government area;
- Provide information relating to community evacuation, welfare centres and community safe places;
- Coordinate local government resources;
- Gather information required to formulate an impact assessment of local government assets (bridges, roads, public buildings etc.);
- Coordinate the transition from response to recovery on behalf of the local government in partnership with the Local Recovery Coordinator.

Reporting to the ISG (LGLO)

The LGLO is responsible for providing the following information to the ISG:

- Local government response activities;
- Local government impact assessment (if known)
- Local government resource status;
- Significant issues.

# Responsibilities of the IC

- The IC of the HMA or Controlling Agency will provide the following information:
- A current situation report;
- Outcomes of the previous meeting (if not the first meeting);
- Details of significant issues;
- Assistance required;
- Record of outcomes of the meeting;
- Details of the next scheduled meeting.

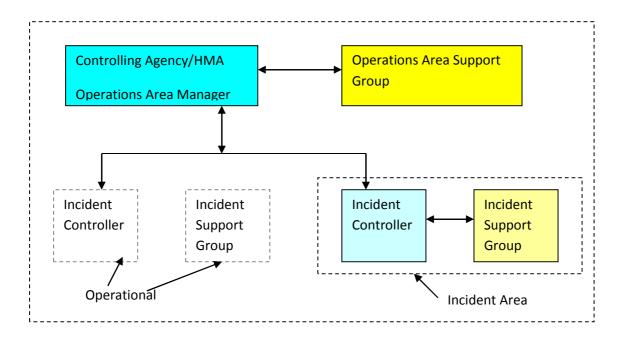


Figure 1: Multi agency support structure

# **ANNEX E: Local Government Welfare Officer (LGWLO)**

#### **Roles and Responsibilities**

The Local Welfare Plan for the Provision of Welfare Support (Local Welfare Plan) will be activated by the CPFS where welfare support is required for the community. The support plan designates that the local government will provide a liaison/support officer at welfare centres activated as a result of an emergency.

The Shire of Toodyay will provide a Local Government Welfare Liaison Officer (LGWLO) who will liaise between the local government and the CPFS Local Welfare Coordinator (LWC).

#### **Duties of the LGWLO**

- Report to the CPFS Local Welfare Coordinator;
- Where a local government owned building has been identified as a Welfare Centre, advise local groups booked to use the centre have been notified and their planned activities cancelled or moved to another location;
- Facilitate access to the Welfare Centre by the CPFS;
- Facilitate the setup of the building;
- Organise cleaning and building maintenance requirements for the centre through the Shire of Toodyay;
- Liaise with all key support agencies located at the building to ensure all needs where possible are met:
- Liaise with and assist organisations present at the centre as requested by the Local Welfare Coordinator;
- Manage vehicle access and general traffic/parking issues and request support if required;
- Coordinate and source additional resources (tables, chairs, paper, computers) as requested by the LWC;
- Assist the LWC in managing conflict at the centre;
- Identify and organise personnel and additional resources through the Local Recovery Coordinator as required;
- Attend all necessary briefings as requested by the LWC;
- Keep a log of activities conducted at the Welfare Centre;
- Carry out other duties as requested by the LWC.

# **ANNEX F: Hazards identified for analysis**

Hazard	НМА	State Plans	Local Plan
Air crash	Commissioner of Police	Westplan Air Crash	Toodyay Police Local Response Plan for Air crash
Animal & Plant Biosecurity	Agriculture Director General	Westplan Animal & Plant Biosecurity	Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Plan
Earthquake	Fire & Emergency Services Commissioner	Westplan Earthquake	Local Government Building License and construction requirements; Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Plan
Bushfire	Fire & Emergency Services Commissioner	Westplan Fire	Shire of Toodyay Bushfire Management Plan; Bindoon Military Training Area Fire Management Plan (Dept. of Defence) Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Plan
Flood	Fire & Emergency Services Commissioner	Westplan Flood	Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Plan
HAZMAT	Fire & Emergency Services Commissioner	Westplan HAZMAT	Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Plan
Human Epidemic	State Human Epidemic Controller Dept. of Health	Westplan Human Epidemic	Dept. of Health Regional Plan; Shire of Toodyay Business Continuity Plan; Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Plan

The following table (Figure 1) identifies the impact and likelihood level of hazards identified through the risk management process.

The placement of hazards on the matrix is based on an average assessment of consequence and likelihood across all risk statements. It is provided as an indicator only and must not be relied upon in isolation to make assessments of the risks to the community posed by the listed hazards. All hazard assessments are based on worst case scenario.

Figure 2: Hazard Matrix (To be updated following State Risk Project local risk assessment)

Likelihood	Consequence level				
Likelinood	Insignificant	Minor	Major	Catastrophic	
Almost certain				Bushfire	
Likely			Air Crash Riverine Flood		
Unlikely		Animal & Plant Biosecurity	HAZMAT	Human Epidemic	Earthquake
Rare					
Very rare					
Extremely rare					

- Extreme Risk
- High Risk
- Medium Risk
- Low Risk
- Very Low Risk

# **ANNEX G: Vulnerable groups**

Public and private Schools/Child Care Centres (Please refer to Contacts and Resources Register for contact details)

Organisation	Site Address	No. of Persons	Evacuation Plan in place
Toodyay District	Drummond St, East	570	Yes
High School	Toodyay		
Toodyay Day Care	2 Settlers Ridge,		Yes
Centre	Toodyay WA 6566		
Three Little	251 Sandplain Road	9	Yes
Monkeys Family	Toodyay WA 6566		
Day Care			
Little Ducklings	12 Clarkson Street	9	Yes
Family Day Care	West Toodyay WA		
	6566		
Little Bumble Bees	357 Red Brook Circle	9	Yes
Family Day Care	Morangup 6083		

Medical/Health Care Facilities (Please refer to Contacts and Resources Register for contact details)

Organisation	Site Address	No. of Persons	Evacuation Plan in place
Butterly Cottages		24	Yes
Silver Chain	Various	Current information relating to individuals	N/A

# **Accommodation Facilities** (Please refer to Contacts and Resources Register for contact details)

Organisation	Site Address	Capacity	Evacuation
		Capacity (	Plan in place
			·
Toodyay Holiday	188 Racecourse Rd,		
Park & Chalets	Toodyay		
Boshacks Bed &	Wattening Spring	100	
Breakfast	Rd, Bolgart	100	
Black Wattle	Lot 3, Black Wattle		
Retreat	Rd, Toodyay		
Freemasons Hotel	125 Stirling Terrace,	33	
	Toodyay		
Vietorie Hetel	116 Stirling Terrace,	25	
Victoria Hotel	Toodyay	25	
Avalon Homestead	406 Julimar Rd,	32	
Avaion nomestead	West Toodyay	32	
Toodyay Tayorn	86 Stirling Terrace,	20	
Toodyay Tavern	Toodyay	20	
Pecan Hill B&B	99 Beaufort West		
recall filli bob	Toodyay		
Amber Spring	270 Harders Chitty		
Gardens B&B	Road, West Toodyay		
Ipswich View	Lot 45 Folewood		
Homestead	Road, Toodyay		
The Limes Orchard	57 Clarkson St N,		
& Farm Stay	West Toodyay		
Black Wattle	Lot 3, Black Wattle		
Retreat	Rd, Toodyay		

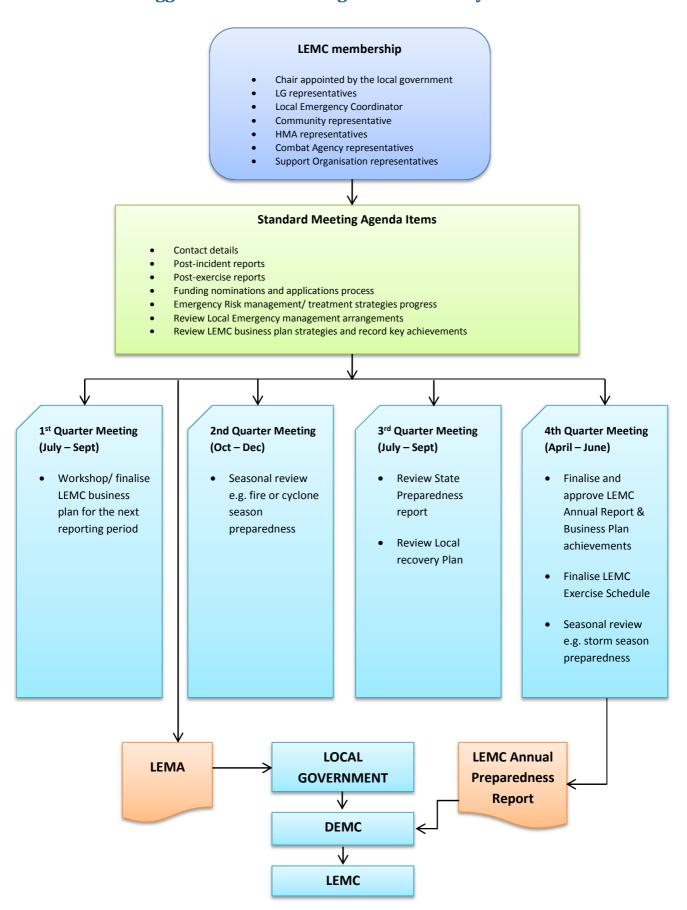
# **Tourist venues** (Please refer to Contacts and Resources Register for contact details)

Organisation	Site Address	No. of Persons	Evacuation Plan in place
Avon Valley		Various	
National Park			
Julimar Forest			
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Hoddywell Archery	1027 Clackline-		
Park	Toodyay Rd, Toodyay		

# **ANNEX H: LEMC Members**

Agency	Position
Shire of Toodyay	
	Shire President (LEMC Chair)
	Chief Executive Officer
	Community Emergency Services Officer
	Elected Member
	Elected Member
	Local Recovery Coordinator
	Deputy Local Recovery Coordinator
	Chief Bushfire Control Officer
WA Police	Officer in Charge Toodyay Police (Deputy Chair)
<b>Department of Fire and Emergency Services</b>	Manager Avon District Office
	Representative Toodyay Volunteer Fire & Rescue
Department for Child Protection & family	Team Leader
Support	
St John Ambulance	Representative Toodyay/Bolgart Depots
Toodyay District High School	Representative

# ANNEX I - Suggested LEMC meeting and business cycle



# ANNEX J: SUGGESTED ROLE AND FUNCTIONS OF THE LOCAL RECOVERY COORDINATOR

#### Role

The Local Recovery Coordinator is responsible for the development and implementation of recovery management arrangements for the local government in conjunction with the Local Recovery Coordinating Group.

#### **Functions**

- Ensure the Local Recovery Plan is established;
- Liaise with the Controlling Agency, including attending the Incident Support Group and Operations Area Support Group meetings where appropriate;
- Assess the community recovery requirements for each event in conjunction with the HMA, Local Emergency Coordinator (LEC) and other responsible agencies;
- Provide advice to the Mayor/Shire President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) on the requirement to convene the Local Recovery Coordinating Group (LRCG) and provide advice to the LRCG if convened;
- Ensure the functions of the Executive Officer are undertaken for the Local Recovery Coordinating Group;
- Assess for the LRCG requirements for the restoration of services and facilities with the assistance of the responsible agencies where appropriate;
- Determine the resources required for the recovery process in consultation with the Local Recovery Coordinating Group;
- Coordinate local level recovery activities for a particular event, in accordance with plans, strategies and policies determined by the LRCG;
- Monitor the progress of recovery and provide periodic reports to the Local Recovery Coordinating Group and State Recovery Coordinating Group, if established;
- Liaise with the State Recovery Coordinator on issues where State level support is required or where there are problems with services from government agencies locally;
- Facilitate the acquisition and appropriate application of the resources necessary to ensure an effective recovery;
- Ensure the recovery activities are consistent with the principles of Community Engagement;

- Arrange for the conduct of an operational debriefing of all participating agencies and organisations as soon as possible after cessation of the arrangements; and
- Arrange for an evaluation of the effectiveness of the recovery activities in relation to the recovery plan within 12 months of the emergency.

Source: Local Recovery Guidelines

For a full description of local government recovery activities refer to the Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Plan.

# **ANNEX K: Internal and external local recovery resources**

Department	Management area	Capability
Executive	Chief Executive Officer	<ul> <li>Corporate responsibility</li> <li>Link to Council</li> <li>Alternate Chair LRCG</li> <li>Approval of media releases</li> </ul>
	Shire President	<ul> <li>Chair Local Recovery Coordination Group</li> <li>Address public meetings</li> <li>Authorise media releases</li> </ul>
	Manager Corporate Services	<ul> <li>Financial management and accounting practices</li> <li>Management of corporate reporting</li> </ul>
		systems  Management of Shire information
		<ul><li>technology systems.</li><li>Matters relating to Human Resources &amp; Industrial Relations.</li></ul>
	Manager Community Development	<ul> <li>Responsible for the management of the following:         <ul> <li>Library &amp; Visitor Centre</li> <li>Community Events</li> <li>Sport &amp; Recreation</li> <li>Administration Support Officer/Youth</li> </ul> </li> <li>Corporate Business Plan and related plans and strategies.</li> <li>Responsible for the management of the Visitor Centre operations/services</li> <li>Engage with community organisations, committees and groups</li> <li>Manage the promotion of shire community programs/events marketing and communication.</li> <li>Responsible for Recreations Services</li> <li>Responsible for the volunteers in the role of Volunteer Coordinator</li> <li>Responsible for the management of event services/operations</li> <li>Responsible for the management of Youth/Inclusion program</li> </ul>

Manager Planning & Development	<ul> <li>Asset information</li> <li>Engineering advice</li> <li>Damage reporting Roman II Asset Management</li> <li>GIS support</li> <li>Parks and reserves management</li> <li>Equipment allocation for recovery support</li> </ul>
Manager Works & Services	<ul> <li>Asset information</li> <li>Engineering advice</li> <li>Damage reporting</li> <li>Parks and reserves management</li> <li>Equipment allocation for recovery support</li> <li>Building safety audits</li> <li>Environmental &amp; waste management advice</li> </ul>

# **Supporting organisations**

Organisation	Responsible area	Capability	Contact details
Australian Red Cross	State Manager Emergency Services	<ul> <li>Community recovery support</li> <li>Recovery advice</li> <li>Community outreach</li> <li>Personal support</li> </ul>	
Department for Child protection & Family Support	District Community Support Officer	<ul> <li>Provide a representative to the RC if required and available.</li> <li>Coordinate emergency welfare services as part of the recovery process (Westplan Recovery).</li> <li>Manage the provision of the Personal Hardship and Distress</li> </ul>	

		Measures under the WANDRRA if activated.
Department of Parks & Wildlife		<ul> <li>Wildlife information and support</li> <li>Environmental advice</li> </ul>
Disability Services Commission		<ul> <li>Community support resources for persons with disabilities</li> </ul>
Local Government Insurance Services (LGIS)	District representative	<ul> <li>Insurance and risk management advice</li> </ul>
Department of the Premier & Cabinet	WANDRRA Manager  State Recovery Coordinator	<ul> <li>WANDRRA advice and support</li> <li>State recovery advice</li> <li>Coordination of State resources</li> </ul>
Mental Health Services WA	Local Coordinator	<ul> <li>Mental health services for the community</li> <li>Community help programs</li> </ul>
State Emergency Management Committee Secretariat	Community Emergency Management Officer	Recovery support and advice
Water Corporation	Local Manager	Water restoration     and service     advice
Western Power	Local Manager	Power     restoration and     service advice

# **ANNEX L: Suggested composition Local Recovery Coordinating Group and Sub-committees**

**Suggested LRCG composition (Event specific)** 

Agency Represented	Title	Number of reps
Shire of Toodyay	Chair LRCG	1
	LRC	1
	Chief Executive Officer	1
	Manager Corporate Services	1
	Manager Works and Services	1
	Manager Planning and	1
	Development	
Hazard Management Agency/s	Incident Controller or Regional	2
	Manager	
Department for Child Protection and	Local Team Leader and/ or	1
Family Support	District Emergency Services	
	Officer	
Australian Red Cross	State Manager Emergency	1
	Services	
Office of Emergency Management	Community Emergency	1
	Management Officer	
Department of the Premier and Cabinet	State Recovery Coordinator	1
	WANDRRA Officer	1
Department of Human Services	Local Centre Link Manager	1
Community	Affected community	As required
	representative or elected	
	member	

# LRCG- Finance Sub-committee (Event specific) Role statement contained in Annex F

Agency Represented	Title	Number of reps
Shire of Toodyay	Chair – Manager Corporate	1
	Services	
	Minute taker	1
	Finance/Administration Officer	1
Department of the Premier and Cabinet	WANDRRA Officer	1
Department of Human Service	Local Centre Link manager	1

# LRCG - Infrastructure Sub-committee (Event specific)

Agency Represented	Title	Number of reps
Shire of Toodyay	Chair – Manager Works and	1
	Services	
	Minute taker	1
Department of the Premier and Cabinet	WANDRRA Officer	1
Local Government Insurance Services	District representative	1
(LGIS)		
Water Corporation	District Manager	1
Western Power	District Manager	1
Main Roads WA	Regional Manager	1

# **LRCG- Environment Sub-committee (Event specific)**

Agency Represented	Title	Number of reps
Shire of Toodyay	Chair – Manager Planning and Development Minute taker Environmental Health Officer	1
Department of Environment & Regulation (DER)	District officer	1

# LRCG – Community Sub-committee (Event specific)

Agency Represented	Title	Number of reps
Shire of Toodyay	Chair – Manager Corporate	1
	Services	
	Minute taker	1
Australian Red Cross	Local or district officer	1
Affected community	Local representatives as required	As required
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# **ANNEX M: Suggested recovery Sub-committee roles**

#### **Community Sub-committee**

#### **Objectives**

- Provide advice and guidance to assist in the restoration and strengthening of community wellbeing post event.
- Facilitate understanding of the needs of the impacted community in relation to community well-being.
- Assess and recommend priority areas, projects, and events to assist with the recovery process in the immediate and short-term regarding the restoration and strengthening of community wellbeing.
- Assess and recommend medium and long-term priority areas to the local government for consideration to assist in the restoration and strengthening of community well-being.
- Ensure the affected community is informed and involved in the recovery process so actions and programs match their needs.

#### **Environment Sub-committee**

## **Objectives**

- Provide advice and guidance to assist in the restoration of the natural environment post event.
- Facilitate understanding of the needs of the impacted community in relation to environmental restoration.
- Assess and recommend priority areas, projects and community education to assist the recovery process in the immediate and short-term regarding the restoration of the environment including weed management and impacts on wildlife.
- Assess and recommend medium and long-term priority areas to the local government for consideration to assist in the restoration of the natural environment.

#### **Infrastructure Sub-committee**

## **Objectives**

- Assist in assessing requirements for the restoration of services and facilities in conjunction with the responsible agencies where appropriate.
- Provide advice and assist in the coordination of the restoration of infrastructure assets and essential services damaged or destroyed during the emergency.
- Assess and recommend priority infrastructure projects to assist with the recovery process in the immediate short-term and medium long-term.

#### **Finance Sub-committee**

#### Role

To make recommendations to the Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund (LMDRF) on the orderly and equitable disbursement of donations and offers of assistance to individuals having suffered personal loss and hardship as a result of the event.

#### **Functions**

- Development of eligibility criteria and procedures by which payments from the LMDRF will be made to affected individuals which:
  - Ensure the principles of equity, fairness, simplicity and transparency apply;
  - Ensure the procedures developed are straightforward and not onerous to individuals seeking assistance;
  - Recognise the extent of loss suffered by individuals;
  - Complement other forms of relief and assistance provided by government and the private sector;
  - Recognise immediate, short, medium and longer term needs of affected individuals;
  - Ensure the privacy of individuals is protected at all times;
- Facilitate the disbursement of financial donations from the corporate sector to affected individuals, where practical.

#### Sample of eligibility criteria and levels of financial assistance

(Criteria used by the Shire of Mundaring for the Parkerville -Stoneville-Mt Helena fire 12 January 2014)

## **Owners/Owner occupiers**

For owners/owner occupiers of properties impacted by the event, there are three levels of LMDRF grant assistance available as follows:

**Level One** – Shall apply to those instances where the house/ house and contents have been totally destroyed.

**Level Two** – shall apply in those instances where the house/house and contents have been damaged but the house remains habitable.

**Level Three** – shall apply in those instances where there has been other property damage/loss, e.g. shed, shed contents, pergolas, outdoor furniture etc.

#### **Occupiers**

For occupiers (those renting) of properties impacted by the event, there are two levels of LMDRF grant assistance available as follows:

**Level Four** – shall apply in those instances where the house contents have been totally destroyed as a consequence of the house being totally destroyed.

**Level Five-** shall apply in those instances where there has been partial damage/loss of house contents and other personal effects.

# **ANNEX N: Suggested Terms of Reference (Templates)**

## **COMMUNITY SUB-COMMITTEE**

# **Terms of Reference**

## **Background**

The Sire of Toodyay Local Recovery Coordinating Group has convened several Sub-committees to assist in the coordination of recovery tasks as required. These Sub-committees include:

- Finance Sub-committee
- Infrastructure Sub-committee
- Community Sub-committee
- Environmental Sub-committee

Key functions of these committees it to provide advice to assist the effected community towards re-establishing economic, social, environmental, emotional and physical well-being.

# Membership

Name	Representing

## Chairperson

- Chair all scheduled meetings of the Sub-committee
- Report to the Recovery Coordinating Group on the activities of the Sub-committee.

# **Local Government Staff**

- Operational implementation and decision making as per normal Local Government approval processes.
- Provide administrative support to the Sub-committee.

## Agency Representative

• Advice, information and support specific to the agency role.

## **Community Member**

- Provide a linkage between the community and the Sub-committee
- Receive guidance and perspective from the community

# **Objectives of Community Sub-committee**

The primary objectives of the Community Sub-committee will include:

- To provide advice and guidance to assist in the restoration and strengthening of community well-being post Click here to enter text.;
- To facilitate understanding on the needs of the impacted community in relation to community wellbeing;
- To assess and recommend priority areas, projects, and events to assist with the bushfire recovery process in the immediate and short-term regarding the restoration and strengthening of community wellbeing;
- To assess and recommend medium and long term priority areas to the Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Coordinating Group for consideration to assist in the restoration and strengthening of community wellbeing.

## **Conduct of Meetings**

- The quorum for a meeting of the Sub-committee will be at least 50% of the number of the membership.
- When decisions of the Sub-committee cannot be determined by general consensus, then the decision will be made by a simple majority of the members present.
- If a member of the Sub-committee has a *financial interest* in any matter before the Sub-committee, that member shall before discussion on the matter, disclose to the meeting their interest and leave the meeting:

A person has a **financial interest** in a matter if it is reasonable to expect that the matter will, if dealt with by the Sub-committee in a particular way, result in a financial gain, loss, benefit or detriment for the person.

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- The Sub-committee does not have any powers of delegation.
- All meetings of the Sub-committee will be conducted on the basis of a written Agenda and Minutes the Shire of Toodyay will provide this secretarial support.
- Meetings of the Sub-committee are not open to the public.

#### Reporting

The Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Coordinating Group may, from time to time, direct the Community Sub-committee to provide to them, reports and other information as specified in the direction.

## **Probity**

The Community Sub-committee acknowledges that the Shire of Toodyay is responsible for post action reporting and that the deliberations of this committee will be subject to scrutiny as part of that report.

These Terms of Reference may, from time to time, be amended by agreement of the Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Co-ordinating Group.

# **Termination of the Community Sub Committee**

Termination of the Sub-committee shall occur at the direction of the Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Coordinating Group. Termination of any membership within the Sub-committee shall be at the direction of the members within the Sub-committee by consensus.

#### **ENVIRONMENT SUB COMMITTEE**

# **Terms of Reference**

# **Background**

The Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Coordinating Group has convened several Subcommittees to assist in the coordination of recovery tasks as required. These Subcommittees include:

- Finance Sub-committee
- Infrastructure Sub-committee
- Community Sub-committee
- Environmental Sub-committee

Key functions of these committees it to provide advice to assist the effected community towards re-establishing economic, social, environmental, emotional and physical well-being.

# Membership

Name	Representing

#### Chairperson

- Chair all scheduled meetings of the Sub-committee
- Report to the Recovery Coordinating Group on the activities of the Sub-committee.

#### Local Government Staff

- Operational implementation and decision making as per normal Local Government approval processes.
- Provide administrative support to the Sub-committee.

#### Agency Representative

• Advice, information and support specific to the agency role.

#### Community Representative

• Link to community. Receive guidance and perspective from the community.

#### **Objectives of Environment Sub-committee**

- To provide advice and guidance in the immediate and long term treatment and restoration of affected areas of the community and surrounding environment;
- To provide advice and guidance to assist in the restoration of the natural environment post event;
- Facilitate the understanding of the needs of the impacted community in relation to environmental restoration;
- To assess and recommend priority areas, projects and community education to assist with the recovery process in the immediate and short-term regarding the restoration of the environment including weed management and impacts on wildlife
- To assess and recommend medium and long term priority areas to the Click here to enter text. Local Recovery Coordinating Group for consideration to assist in the restoration of the natural environment in the medium to long term.

#### **Conduct of Meetings**

- The quorum for a meeting of the Sub-committee will be at least 50% of the number of the membership.
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- Meetings of the Sub-committee are not open to the public.

#### Reporting

The Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Coordinating Group may, from time to time, direct the Environment Sub-committee to provide to them, reports and other information as specified in the direction.

#### **Probity**

The Environment Sub-committee acknowledges that the Shire of Toodyay is responsible for post action reporting and that the deliberations of this committee will be subject to scrutiny as part of that report.

These Terms of Reference may, from time to time, be amended by agreement of the Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Co-ordinating Group.

#### **Termination of the Environment Sub Committee**

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# FINANCE SUB COMMITTEE

# **Terms of Reference**

# **Background**

The Shire of Toodyay Local Recovery Coordinating Group has convened several Subcommittees to assist in the coordination of recovery tasks as required. These Subcommittees include:

- Finance Sub-committee
- Infrastructure Sub-committee
- Community Sub-committee
- Environmental Sub-committee

Key functions of these committees it to provide advice to assist the effected community towards re-establishing economic, social, environmental, emotional and physical well-being.

# Membership

Name	Representing

# Chairperson

- Chair all scheduled meetings of the Sub-committee
- Report to the Recovery Coordinating Group on the activities of the Sub-committee.

# Local Government Staff

- Operational implementation and decision making as per normal Local Government approval processes.
- Provide administrative support to the Sub-committee.

#### Agency Representative

• Advice, information and support specific to the agency role.

#### **Objectives of Finance Sub Committee**

The primary objective if the Finance Sub-committee is to assess and make recommendations to the Local Recovery Coordinating Group on the disbursement of donations made for individuals having suffered personal loss and hardship as a result of the bushfires which occurred on Click here to enter text. in the Shire of Toodyay.

It should be noted that the Sub-committee has no direct access to donated funds or goods/services. The collection and management of monies, goods and services donated, does not form part of the Sub-committee's role. This includes any relevant legal, financial or taxation laws that may be applicable.

The Finance Sub-committee has been established to make recommendations to the Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund on the orderly and equitable disbursement of donations and offers of assistance to individuals having suffered personal loss and hardship as a result of the bushfire which occurred on the Click here to enter text.

The primary role of the Finance Sub-committee will include:

- With regard to the Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund (LMDRF), the development of eligibility criteria and procedures by which payments from the fund will be made to affected individuals; and
- With regard to donations of support and assistance from the corporate sector, assist and where practical, facilitate the disbursement of their donations to affected individuals.

In developing the eligibility criteria and procedures pertaining to the LMDRF, the Finance Sub-committee will endeavour to:

- Ensure the principles of equity, fairness, simplicity and transparency apply;
- Ensure the procedures developed are straightforward and not onerous to individuals seeking assistance;
- Recognise the extent of loss suffered by individuals;
- Complement other forms of relief and assistance provided by government and the private sector;
- Recognise immediate, short, medium and longer term needs of affected individuals; and
- Ensure the privacy of individuals is protected at all times.

The Finance Sub Committee will need access to funding information provided to individuals by other agencies to assist with the above assessments.

#### **Conduct of Meetings**

- The quorum for a meeting of the Sub-committee will be at least 50% of the number of the membership.
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#### Reporting

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#### **Probity**

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#### **Termination of the Community Sub Committee**

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#### **INFRASTRUCTURE SUB COMMITTEE**

# **Terms of Reference**

# **Background**

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- Finance Sub-committee
- Infrastructure Sub-committee
- Community Sub-committee
- Environmental Sub-committee

Key functions of these committees it to provide advice to assist the effected community towards re-establishing economic, social, environmental, emotional and physical well-being.

# Membership

Name	Representing

#### Chairperson

- Chair all scheduled meetings of the Sub-committee
- Report to the Recovery Coordinating Group on the activities of the Sub-committee.

# Local Government Staff

- Operational implementation and decision making as per normal Local Government approval processes.
- Provide administrative support to the Sub-committee.

#### Agency Representative

Advice, information and support specific to the agency role.

# Community Member

- Provide a linkage between the community and the Sub-committee
- Receive guidance and perspective from the community

# **Objectives of Infrastructure Sub-committee**

The primary objectives of the Infrastructure Sub-committee will include:

- Assess the requirement for the restoration of services and facilities to the affected community;
- Provide advice and assistance for the coordination of the restoration of Local Government and State infrastructure lost or damaged;
- To assess and recommend priority infrastructure projects to assist with the recovery process in the immediate, short and long-term; and
- Identify opportunities for application of betterment to rebuilding of infrastructure specifically local roads, bridges and culverts.

#### **Conduct of Meetings**

- The quorum for a meeting of the Sub-committee will be at least 50% of the number of the membership.
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#### Reporting

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#### **Probity**

The Infrastructure Sub-committee acknowledges that the Shire of Toodyay is responsible for post action reporting and that the deliberations of this committee will be subject to scrutiny as part of that report.

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#### **Termination of the Infrastructure Sub-committee**

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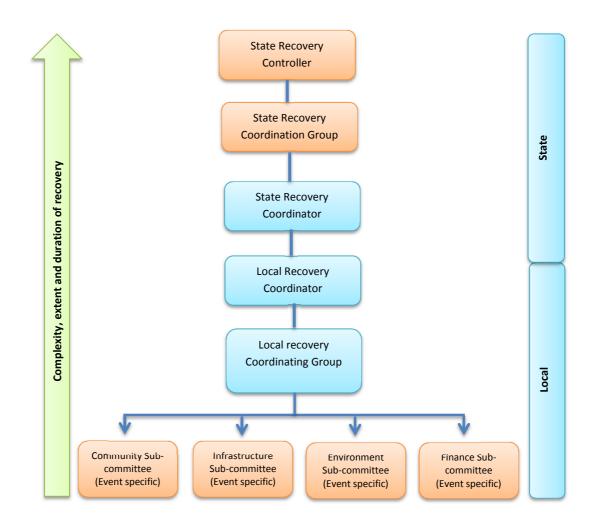
# **ANNEX O: Operational Recovery Plan template**

# Shire of Toodyay Operational Recovery Plan

Date emergency occurred:  Section 1 – Introduction  Incident description  Purpose of this plan  Authority  Section 2 – Assessment of recovery requirements  Details of loss and damage:  Residential:  Commercial:	Emergency Type and location:
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Transport:	Transport:
<b>Essential Services:</b> (include State and local government infrastructure)	Essential Services: (include State and local government infrastructure)

Estimates of damage costs:
Temporary accommodation requirements: (includes evacuation centres)
Additional personnel requirements:
Human services: (personal and psychological support requirements
Other health issues:
Section 3 – Organisational Aspects
Details of the composition, structure and reporting lines of the groups/committees and Sub-committees set up to manage the recovery process:
Details of inter-agency relationships and responsibilities:
Details of roles, key tasks and responsibilities of various groups/committees and those appointed to various positions including Recovery Coordinator:
Section 4 – Operational Aspects
Resources available:
Resources required:
Redevelopment plans: (includes mitigation proposals)

# **ANNEX P: Potential Recovery Governance Structures**



#### **ANNEX Q: (Suggested) MEDIA RELEASE - DONATIONS**

#### Donations in time of disaster

Recovery of the community following an emergency event is the legislative responsibility of local government and as such we are anxious to ensure that we ensure the best possible outcome for our citizens affected by an emergency event or disaster.

In times of disaster, Western Australians have proved in the past to be extremely generous. Monetary donations have always and will continue to be the preferred means of providing assistance for affected persons. These donation not only provide the affected persons with the ability to make choices that best fit their situation but will also support local suppliers and merchants whose business would likewise benefit when we shop local.

The donation of any goods is strongly discouraged and should the need for specific items arise, this need will be broadcast in the normal way.

We strongly urge the public to find out what may be required before committing to donating goods. These donations often cause an unnecessary financial and storage burden for your local government as has been demonstrated following other national disasters.

The best way to assist those in need is through your generous donation of money and this is best achieved through the Lord Mayor's Disaster Relief Fund of WA, or through agencies such as the Australian Red Cross. These avenues for cash donations will be widely advertised so watch the media.

Thank you for your generous support.

President

**Shire of Toodyay** 

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