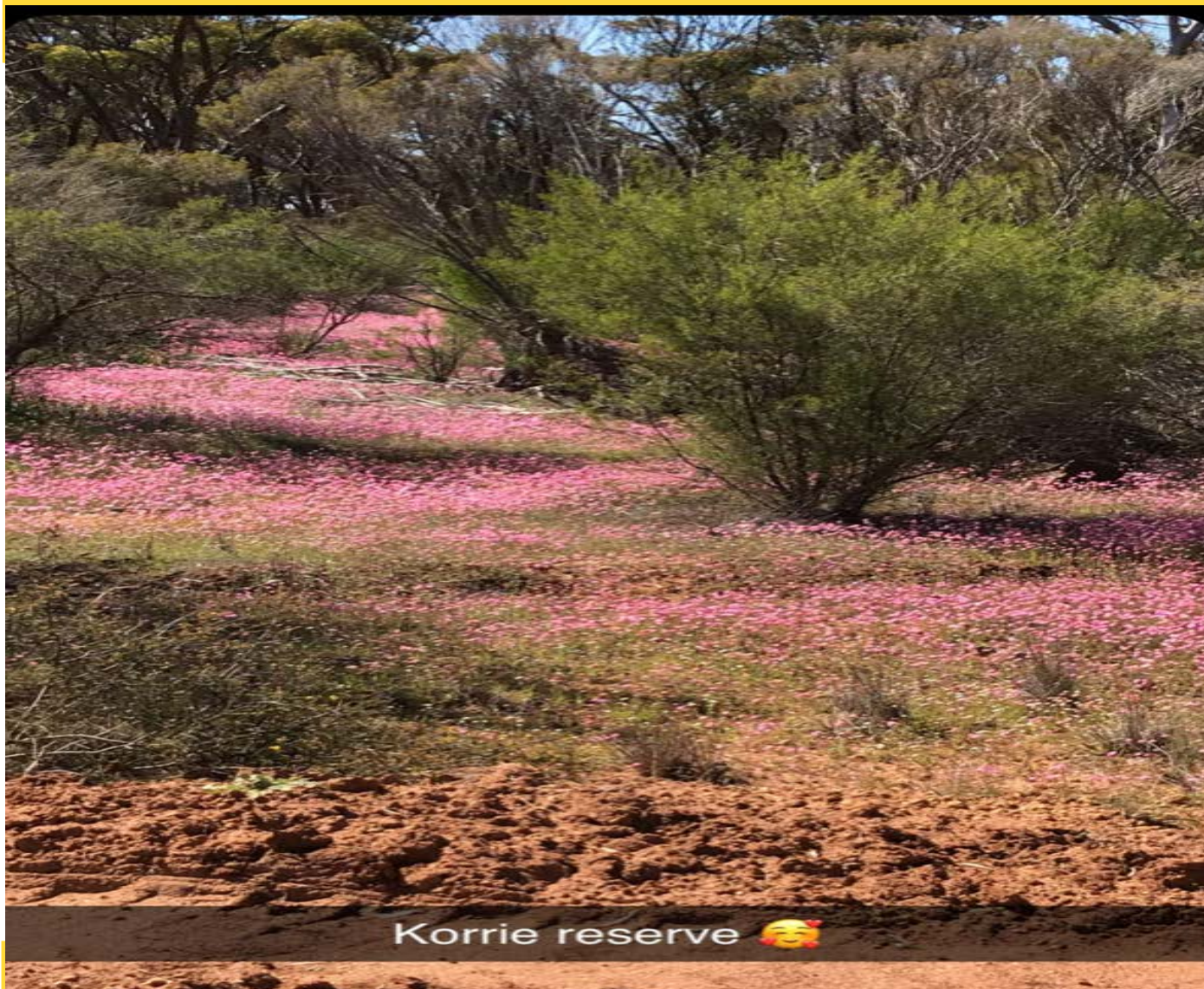




SHIRE OF WYALKATCHEM



Korrie reserve 🌸

SEPTEMBER 2020

INFORMATION BULLETIN

LIST OF ITEMS

- 1. Status Report as at September 2020**
- 2. NEWROC Newsletter**
- 3. NEWROC Strategic Plan**
- 4. BOC Communique July 2020**
- 5. LGAFG Email**
- 6. WALGA AGM NOTICE**

Council makes a number of decisions at its monthly ordinary meeting of Council.

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995 5.41(c)* the function of the CEO is to; Cause council decisions to be implemented.

The purpose of the Shire of Wyalkatchem Council Meeting Status report is to provide Council's with a progress status and actions performed to date, as well as anticipated completion dates. The presentation of the status report is effective from the August 2018 Ordinary Council Meeting. Actions and status updates since the last status report are indicated in bold. Items that have been reported as completed will be removed in future reports.

SHIRE OF WYALKATCHEM COUNCIL MEETING STATUS REPORT AS AT 11 SEPTEMBER 2020

MINUTE REFERENCE	DETAIL	REPOSIBLE OFFICER	STATUS / COMMENTS	ANTICIPATED COMPLETION DATE
OMC – 20/9/2018 122/2018	That Council agrees to donate the Council received Building Permit fees associated with CEACA Seniors Housing Project subject to all other CEACA Council members agree to the same undertaking.	CEO	Letter send to CEACA requesting confirmation of Council members' agreement to refund Building fees and notification to refund to CEACA building fees received. Confirmation of other LG arrangements discussed at recent CEACA meeting. LG to advise CEACA executive on position. Pending notification	Recommend deletion from the status report

OMC – 23/9/2019 127/2019	<p>Permission to Collection Native Flora</p> <p>That the matter lay on the table pending further information.</p>	CEO	Correspondence sent to Mrs Taylor and Mrs Poli requesting additional information on 8 October 2019	Recommend deletion from the status report
--------------------------------	-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-----	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-------------------------------------------

OMC – 21/11/2019 15.2.1	Locked Standpipes Ms Dayman to explore the configurations of the locked Standpipes further in order to find a way to resolve the issue. Discussions highlighted a need to assess the out of town standpipe locks and solutions to access.	MOW	2. Noted. Solution being discussed with MOW. Standpipes locks have been unlocked during the fire risk season. Unannounced inspection resulted in a warning for Stand Pipes to be locked. The issue of access still remains.	
OMC – 19/12/2019 175/2019	7. The Chief Executive Officer to provide a report to Council on the effectiveness of the 12 month meeting structure trial at the December 2020 meeting.	7. CEO	7. Noted.	Pending
OMC – 19/12/2019 176/2019	That Council; 2. Include an allocation of \$20,000 for the 2020/2021 CEACA membership subscription in the 2020/2021 annual budget considerations.	2. CEO	2. Noted, to be included in 2020/2021 draft budget	Completed
OMC – 21/05/2020 77/2020	That Council: 3. Gives delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a lease agreement with Mr Bruce Eckersly, as per confidential attachment 14.1.2, for a portion of Shire of Wyalkatchem owned land being Lot 500 on deposited plan 68673, hangar one, and facilitate all	5. CEO	Noted. To be completed on completion of advertising period and on assessment of any submissions	Represented to Council 27/8/20

	<p>Elected Member Training LG E learning Subscription for Elected members was paid for 19/05/2020. Councillors to agree on moving this forwards- group session dates. All training is now required to be posted on the Shire website on a monthly basis.</p>	3. GEO	3. Email sent to WALGA training department 27 July requesting access to e learning.	<p>COMPLETE 3. COUNCIL TO SET A DATE FOR GROUP TRAINING</p>
<p>OMC – 16/07/2020 15.2.1</p>	<p>REED CHILDCARE REED childcare advised of some work required at the tennis club prior to being acceptable for use. These works need to be identified and followed up. 3.</p>	CEO	Contact made with Caroline Robinson	Works identified. and Awaiting sign-off from Cwlth Govt's LRCI Program.
<p>OMC – 16/07/2020 15.2.2</p>	<p>DOCTORS RESIDENCE The kitchen needs a makeover- dishwasher is unsuitable, a breather valve needs to be relocated and new cabinetry installed. We are currently sourcing the 3 quotes as per policy</p>	GEO	A third party has been engaged for a third quote, an email has been sent for the second party to carry out the quote asap. Complete	<p>Booked for the 11 September 2020 Dishwasher delivered.</p>

<p>OMC – 27/08/2020 14.1</p>	<p>Option 1 <i>That Council conduct the recruitment of a CEO in-house and approve the following process for the selection and appointment of a CEO:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Shire President and Acting CEO to review the CEO position description and selection criteria and amend where appropriate.</i> • <i>Shire President and Acting CEO to develop an Information Package</i> • <i>Shire President and Acting CEO to develop a job advertisement for placement in the West Australian newspaper as required by legislation</i> • <i>Shire President and Acting CEO to place vacancy details on relevant on-line platforms (Seek, Local Government Jobs WA)</i> • <i>Applications to be received in confidence by the Shire President. Applications received that do not meet the basic criteria are to be declined</i> • <i>All other applications are to be shared with all Councillors after the closing date.</i> • <i>Full Council to assess all applications and determine a short list of candidates for interview</i> • <i>Interview questions to be prepared by Shire President and Acting CEO</i> • <i>Interviews arranged by Shire President with the assistance of the Acting CEO</i> • <i>Preferred candidate to be selected by full Council</i> • <i>Shire President to undertake reference checks</i> • <i>Employment contract to be negotiated by the Shire President, using the model contract of employment for CEO's as endorsed by WALGA.</i> 			
--------------------------------------	------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	--	--	--

Information bulletin

15.2.2 Review of meeting dates

Review meeting dates in Dec as planned – Workshop to be arranged for recruitment selection and meeting dates review.

15.2.3 Elected Member training

E learning session to be arranged.

15.2.4 NEWROC Waste management proposal

Councillors to read the report.

15.2.5 Drag Racing

Council agreed that more information is required. ANDRA needs to sanction prior any further discussion. Mr Tindale to approach the police for any prior feedback. Standing starts- need options. To be discussed further with the other Shires mentioned in the email.

15.2.6 Proposed Fly in

Council is in agreement. Mr Tindale to communicate with David Holdsworth.

NEWSLETTER

August 2020

The North Eastern Wheatbelt Regional Organisation of Councils is a voluntary organisation of seven local governments, established for over 20yrs. The purpose of NEWROC is to ***work together for successful communities***. NEWROC achieves this with ***regional collaboration to champion opportunities for the communities***.



New Member

The NEWROC has welcomed the Shire of Dowerin to its membership.

"We warmly welcome the Shire of Dowerin. They bring many benefits to the NEWROC and their community and businesses are well aligned to us" said Cr Stratford, President Shire of Koorda and NEWROC Chair.

"Council believes there are natural synergies between the NEWROC member Councils and the Shire of Dowerin" said Cr Darrel Hudson, Shire of Dowerin President.

"This membership provides an exciting opportunity for Dowerin to be a part of a proactive group of councils and we look forward to working with the NEWROC Member Councils to achieve some great benefits for our communities and the region."



Reliable Energy

The provision of reliable energy to residents and businesses in the district is a strategic priority for the NEWROC and was identified at the group's strategy day.

Many residences and businesses lose power for significant periods of time.

This also impacts telecommunications towers which deliver landline, mobile and internet services.

In early August the NEWROC hosted InfraNomics, Magellan Power, UWA and Telstra to work together to resolve power reliability issues.

Meetings were held in Bencubbin to discuss town site power followed by Bonnie Rock and Mukinbudin for power to the Telstra towers. Further work will continue with all parties to improve energy reliability.



Internet Solutions

The communities across the NEWROC have access to fast and reliable internet through a partnership with Crisp Wireless.






Crisp Wireless is a Western Australian company and provides a variety of plans for residents and businesses in Koorda, Bencubbin, Beacon, Mukinbudin, Nungarin, Trayning and Wyalkatchem.

Further information is available at www.crispwireless.com.au

Farewell and Welcome

NEWROC thanks and farewells Brian Jones as CEO of the Shire of Trayning and welcomes Leanne Parola into the role.

NEWROC STRATEGIC PLAN 2020 - 2023

PURPOSE		MISSION	VISION	ABOUT US	
Working together for successful communities		Regional collaboration to champion opportunities for our communities	Enabling and creating progressive, healthy and prosperous communities	NEWROC is a voluntary regional organisation of Councils including the LGs of Dowerin, Koorda, Mt Marshall, Mukinbudin, Nungarin, Trayning and Wyalkatchem. Established in the late 1990s	
REGIONAL PRIORITY	STRATEGY			PRIORITY	LONG TERM GOALS
Advocacy	Work together to advocate on issues and opportunities that have an impact on our communities			High	<div>1. Stable to increasing population in the NEWROC</div> <div>2. Increased visitation to the NEWROC communities</div> <div>3. Industry growth and diversification</div> <div>4. Quality of life for our communities</div>
Economy	Partner with NEWTravel to promote the region as a great place to visit through the effective planning and marketing of attractions and events.			High	
	Identify opportunities and strategies for attracting new businesses and expanding existing businesses by promoting the availability of accessible land, the community spirit and high-speed communications network available within the region.			High	
	Advocate for solutions to mobile blackspots and expansion of the NEWROC telecommunications network			Medium	
Community	Attract and retain health professionals and age care providers in a co-ordinated manner within the region.			High	
	Expand and improve access to childcare services.			Medium	
Environment	Advocate and seek funding for a renewable power / emergency power / micro-grid that will compliment current power supplies and improve sustainability within the region.			High	
	Determine the best location and design for a regional waste facility or improved waste management services and local infrastructure.			Medium	
Governance	Review the delivery of Local Government services and projects across the region to identify opportunities to resource share, and attract and retain LG professionals			High	
	Continue to review regional subsidiary legislation and prepare for the opportunity			High	
	Advocacy and support to volunteer networks to expand the volunteer base across the region and to continue to improve regional co-operation.			Medium	
HOW DO WE ASSESS WHAT WE DO AND DON'T DO					
To achieve our strategic goals, we use the following values to guide our decision making regarding what we will or will not undertake to deliver against our purpose, mission and vision.					
<div><div> Regional Commitment: We will make decisions and deliver services that achieve regional goals that couldn't be achieved individually.</div><div> Community Focus: We will ensure that everything we do benefits the people that live and work in our region.</div><div> Accountability: We will be open and accountable in everything we do, by involving stakeholders in decisions that affect them and by using effective engagement and communication techniques.</div><div> Innovation: We are committed to continually working together to improve the local government services we provide and projects we deliver by being prepared to share, listen, learn and use technology where this delivers positive outcomes for our communities.</div><div> Collaboration: Councils will work together for the good of the region and encourage business and community groups to also work together to provide a supportive environment where our people prosper.</div></div>					

Bushfire Operations Committee

Communique



Meeting date: 23 July 2020

Location: Gosnells Emergency Operations Centre, Beckenham.

TRAINING

Establishment of a new Training Advisory Group

Presentation by DFES Superintendent BCoE Training, Craig Garret

DFES Bushfire Centre of Excellence (BCoE), has established a new Volunteer Bush Fire Service Training Advisory Group (VBFSTAG), providing a forum to discuss and resolve training matters for the bush fire service. The Terms of Reference are currently being developed in consultation with the AVBFB with the intention to have the group meet at least twice a year.

Membership will include Superintendent Training of the Bushfire Centre of Excellence (Chair), an Executive Officer (appointed by the Chair), 2x Association of Volunteer Bush Fire Brigades representatives and 10x BFB Regional Representatives (one from each region's ROAC/DOAC). Nominations will be requested through expressions of interest from each of the ROACs and DOACs and then be endorsed through the BOC.

Concerns regarding the minimum standards of training and standards for spontaneous volunteers were raised and noted.

COMMONWEALTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS RESILIENCE IMPROVEMENT

Presentation by DFES Executive Director Corporate Services, Richard Burnell

The Telecommunications Resilience Improvement Program is a national initiative from the National Bushfire Recovery Program. Federal funding has been committed to the program with DFES proposing the following for WA:

Battery power to mobile black spot base stations

DFES is proposing a two-tier model to provide battery power to mobile blackspot base stations. The model proposes that areas close to Telstra tech support receive an 8 hour battery and areas remote from Telstra tech support receiving 12 hour batteries/solar power. Telstra data will be used to inform the proposal, which will be reviewed by WALGA prior to submission.

Increasing mobile emergency communications support assets

NBN Co is increasing their communications support fleet from 5 to 15 vehicles. DFES is proposing a truck to be based in Albany for southern bushfire risk mitigation, a truck to be based in Port Hedland/Karratha area for cyclone risk mitigation, and a truck to be based in Esperance for bushfire and transport corridor risk mitigation. DFES has also asked for satellite Flyaway kits to be based at all DFES regional offices.

Failover Services for BGU's and LG Evacuation Centres

The original request from WA for funding to provide satellite mobile services was declined based on an initial allocation for 20 brigade groups and units (BGU's) and no evacuation centres. DFES has since provided a ranked list of all DFES and local government BGU's (800) and evacuation centres (400) reflecting the level of bushfire risk, population density and current level of communications service redundancy.

The allocation is for 370 BGU's and 19 evacuation centres, with installation being planned for September and October. The roll out of the installation is driven by the NBN to be completed ahead of the southern fire season. Funding is for 3 years with no recurrent or replacement follow up funding.

WA GOVT COVID 19 STIMULUS PROGRAM

Presentation by DFES Executive Director Corporate Services, Richard Burnell

The presentation provided a brief explanation of the WA Government's COVID-19 stimulus package. The Government has "allocated" funding outside of Emergency Services Levy (ESL) as a part of its stimulus package spending, subject to DFES submitting a detailed Business Case on proposed works.

Funding for 100 water tanks for BFB

DFES has been "approved" \$2 million, funding 100 water tanks. DFES Operations has developed a listing of BFB locations prioritised according to bushfire risk and will submit as part of the proposal.

Funding for VFRS and VFES for all LGGS Capital Grants and building works applications

DFES is exploring a proposal to fund unfunded Local Government Grant Scheme (LGGS) Capital Grants applications and all unfunded building works modifications for Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service (VFRS) and Volunteer Fire and Emergency Services (VFES) buildings. Local Governments are assisting DFES by providing more detail on the existing LGGS Capital Grant applications and VFRS and VFES Volunteer Advisory Committees are assisting with the details regarding their building works.

SEASONAL FLEET – SHARING RESOURCES

Agenda item submitted by the Mid-West DOAC

For the past two seasons the Mid-West Gascoyne has been loaning the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) an appliance to assist them in achieving more mitigation works during autumn planned burn season. It was proposed that that DFES look at making high season fleet available to DBCA where required.

DFES advised that high season bushfire appliances moved around the state as different regions enter their peak season for bushfire response. Appliances based in the south are moved to the north as the Southern Bushfire season ends and the Northern Bushfire season starts. As it stands, there is little opportunity for those vehicles to be serviced and repaired in time, and as the seasons get longer they overlap, making timely delivery of appliances to the regions challenging.

DFES advised that local regional arrangements should be maximised as much as possible, with progression to inter regional arrangements to work more broadly across the regions. The concept of resource sharing across brigades, local governments and agencies is important for maximising coverage and tackling management of bushfire risk. However, it will require a proactive approach from all parties, starting with local brigades being willing to loan appliances and establish coverage arrangements. Timely access to appliances for response and mitigation works has been highlighted in various incident review reports. Inter-agency and local government resource sharing for mitigation can be raised through regional Fire Working Groups.

LEGISLATION REVIEW UPDATE

Presentation by DFES Project Manager- Review of the Emergency Services Acts, Lauren Townsend

Members were provided an update on the Review of the Emergency Services Act project. DFES reiterated that all ROACs and DOACs will have the opportunity to provide feedback when the Exposure Draft Bill for the consolidated Emergency Services Act is released for public consultation. DFES Project Manager for the Review of the Emergency Services Acts will be available to attend ROACs and DOACs to discuss the Exposure Draft Bill and consultation process on request.

ROYAL COMMISSION PROCESS SUMMARY

Update provided by Executive Director Rural Fire Division, Murray Carter

A summary of the process undertaken for the Royal Commission into National Natural Disaster Arrangements (the Royal Commission) was given. The Royal Commission invited submissions from the general public, and jurisdictional agencies were issued 'Orders to Produce'. These orders are often in a form of a number of questions and requests for documents and are often due within a very tight timeframe. The State Solicitors Office took a lead role in collating and providing a whole of government approach.

APPOINTMENT OF NEW BOC CHAIR & REVIEW OF THE TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Committee has an opportunity to appoint a new Chair. When the committee first met almost eighteen months ago, the discussion on appointment of the Chair aimed to ensure that the position was independent from DFES operational areas and reflected the "ownership" of the Committee by local government. The Committee can now either appoint from within the voting membership (ROAC/DOAC nominated representatives) or appoint an independent person to the position.

The Committee's Terms of Reference were discussed, and comments were noted by the Executive Officer. The changes proposed include a new section regarding the appointment of the Chair. An update to the Terms of Reference will be further circulated for consideration.

The members will approve the Terms of Reference out of session and provide nominations for the chair position for consideration and voting at the next BOC meeting.

ROAC DOAC COMMON & SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

WALGA with assistance from the DFES RFD, are investigating common and significant issues identified through the ROAC and DOAC's meeting minutes.

Total Fire Bans (TFB's) and Harvest Vehicle Movement Bans (HVMB's)

From the 1st July, the *Bush Fire Regulations 1954* were updated to include exemptions for TFB's and HVMB's and the old system of applying for an exemption ceased. There has been some misunderstanding and some people were operating under the assumption that local government could stop someone carrying out works if they deemed it unsafe or high risk, however this is not the case. Local governments are notified of the works being carried out, but do not have to approve the works. As long as they are complying with their exemption conditions they are able to carry out the work. However, if they are in breach of the conditions of their exemption, then work can be stopped, and they can be fined. The exemption conditions are outlined in the regulations.

The changing times of the season

This issue of seasonal change is directly affecting many regions, including the LSW region, with the extension of the fire season and significant fire events occurring for the past three seasons outside of restricted burning. It was noted that this can be managed through changing restricted times and local laws, however under the current legislation can only be changed once. This is a big issue and it has been captured by the Combined Emergency Services Acts project team to be addressed in the new legislation.

CARRY OVER DISCUSSIONS

Communication of TFBs

Many Local Governments like those in the South West region have been proactive in aligning their seasonal bushfire restrictions and dates in attempt to minimise public confusion and improve compliance. However, this has not provided the intended results, especially when including the addition of TFB messages.

The Lower South West has suggested an app be developed to include incident notifications, Harvest Vehicle Movement bans, Section 46 notices and TFB notifications, local burn times, and incident warnings for all hazards, this would improve communication of these notifications. DFES advised there is a business case being developed to replace or upgrade Emergency WA to include more functions such as push notifications and 2 way data exchange.

Tablet and Equipment for CBFCOs

The members raised the need for tablets and mobile phones for CBFCOs for use on the fireground. With support from the BOC, DFES Executive Director of Corporate Services advised the suggestions will be referred to the LGGS Operating Grants manual working group for consideration.

Mitigation and responsibility for private property

Concerns were raised regarding who was responsible for funding mitigation and initial fuel reduction works on private property and it was queried if this would be dealt with in the new legislation?

DFES advised the legal responsibility for private land sits with the landowner. However Local Government through the provisions of the Bushfires Act has the ability to recoup costs from private landowners who have failed to comply with an issued section 33 notice. Any mitigation activities funded by the Emergency Services Levy can only apply to works carried out on crown land. Note that volunteers are not covered by insurance to undertake works on private property.

DFES is working with WALGA and relevant agencies to provide some clarity on this issue as this is a complex area and there is some confusion and crossover between the acts. This work aims to make it easier for private property owners and local government.

OTHER BUSINESS

Roll out of 4.4 Broadacre Tanker

Great Southern raised concerns with the process of rolling out the 4.4BT which required brigades to select new cab chassis' without seeing or testing the options available, within a tight timeframe.

DFES acknowledges the process was not ideal and that their intent was always to have first of type vehicles to trial. However this situation has arisen due to contractual delays and exacerbated by the impacts of COVID 19. DFES Executive Director Corporate Services acknowledges the concerns with choosing between four vehicle types without having the opportunity to test them and has committed to investigate a mechanism to alleviate operational issues and stress that will arise for Local Governments and brigades during this transitional year of 4.4BT fleet type expansion, where they have been forced to make a decision without a working knowledge of the vehicles which have yet to be made available for first of type examination. An update will be provided at the next BOC meeting.

Amalgamation of the North and South Metropolitan DOACs

The amalgamation of the Metropolitan DOACs is complete and a new BOC representative will be elected at the next Metro DOAC meeting.

Interstate deployment of Volunteers

Concerns were raised with DFES' management of the volunteer interstate deployments, which did not include notification to Local Government and CBFCOs. An action was taken for DFES to investigate with State Operations that the issue had been addressed and report back at the next BOC meeting.

UP COMING BOC MEETINGS Dates

Thursday 5 November 2020

Thursday 4 February 2021

Thursday 6 May 2021

CONTACTS

For BOC related information or enquiries please email Jo.Harding@dfes.wa.gov.au

From: Katrina Crute <sp@brookton.wa.gov.au>

Date: 18 August 2020 at 7:42:09 pm AWST

To: Robert Dew <tambin@westnet.com.au>, Cr Steven Pollard

<president@northam.wa.gov.au>, Cr Phil Blight <sp@wagin.wa.gov.au>, Bruce Wittber <bwittber@wsquared.com.au>, Helen Westcott <hwestcott@wsquared.com.au>, Cr Rhonda Cole <rmcole@outlook.com>, Cr Scott Crosby <smcrosby@bigpond.com>, Cr Julie Flockart <crflockart@merredin.wa.gov.au>, Cr Rod Forsyth <president@kellerberrin.wa.gov.au>, Tony Brown <tbrown@walga.asn.au>, Annabel Paulley <annabel13@westnet.com.au>, Cr Barry Haywood <cr.haywood@goomalling.wa.gov.au>, Cr Russell Thomson <kunmallup@bigpond.com>

Subject: RE: MOVEMENT OF AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY

Hi Robert,

If the LGAFG which represents the Agricultural Region of WA requested:

That the WA Local Government Association be requested to prepare a discussion paper on the speed limits on public roads of tractors and self-propelled agricultural machinery for consideration by the Group.

Why do we need to provide any more evidence that this is required, the LGAFG exists under the workings of WALGA to provide advice and advocacy on behalf of the Ag region. Although I do not operate a farming enterprise I would argue that the limitation on the speed of Tractors on State roads is absolutely creating a safety issue and if these vehicles are manufactured to travel at a higher speed then our state laws need to keep pace with this.

I would like to think that a request by LGAFG for a discussion paper to be prepared is taken up by WALGA and if it isn't then an explanation from WALGA would be appropriate, so that LGAFG can make further applications to have this done.

Regards,

Katrina Crute

Tel: 0439 373 282



Katrina Crute
Shire President

☎ (08) 9642 1106

☎ 0439 373 282

✉ sp@brookton.wa.gov.au

🌐 www.brookton.wa.gov.au

📍 14 White St, Brookton WA 6306

✉ PO Box 42, Brookton WA 6306

From: Avon-Midland Country Zone <tambin@westnet.com.au>

Sent: Friday, 14 August 2020 3:34 PM

To: Cr C Antonio <president@northam.wa.gov.au>; Cr P Blight <sp@wagin.wa.gov.au>; Central Country Zone <BWittber@wsquared.com.au>; Central Country Zone <hwestcott@wsquared.com.au>; Cole, Cr Rhonda <CrR.Cole@narembreen.wa.gov.au>; Cr Scott Crosby <smcrosby@bigpond.com>; Katrina Crute <sp@brookton.wa.gov.au>; Cr Julie Flockart <crflockart@merredin.wa.gov.au>; Cr Rod Forsyth <president@kellerberrin.wa.gov.au>; Great Eastern Country Zone <tbrown@walga.asn.au>; Great Southern Country Zone <annabel13@westnet.com.au>; Cr Barry Haywood <cr.haywood@goomalling.wa.gov.au>; Cr Russell Thomson <kunmallup@bigpond.com>
Subject: MOVEMENT OF AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY

To All Local Government Agricultural Freight Group Members & Delegates

Ian Duncan has provided the following advice with regard to (a) pilot requirements for the movement of overwidth agricultural machinery and (b) speed limit on tractors and self-propelled agricultural machinery on public roads.

The Agricultural Pilot matter was on the State Road Funds to Local Government Advisory Group (SAC) agenda for the meeting yesterday. In the absence of a compelling case for change, which we don't have, Main Roads advised delegates that the risk analysis supports the current 1km maximum distance on regional distributors without a licenced pilot.

Mal Shervill is across the tractor speed limit matter with AVAC. I would need to convince the Infrastructure Policy team that a discussion paper on this matter is a high priority. I don't think many Local Governments drive tractors extensive distances on the road – but suggest that this would have to be the justification. There is potentially a road safety benefit (to following traffic) if tractors are travelling closer to the speed of other traffic.

Regards
Robert

--

Robert Dew
Executive Officer
AVON-MIDLAND COUNTRY ZONE WALGA

Phone - (08) 9620 1234
Mobile - 0429 962 013
E-mail - tambin@westnet.com.au
Post - PO Box 70, Wongan Hills 6603

Notice of Annual General Meeting

**and
Procedural Information
for Submission of Motions**

**Crown Perth
Friday, 25 September 2020**

Deadline for Agenda Items

(Close of Business)

Friday, 31 July 2020

2020 Local Government Convention

General Information

WALGA Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting for the Western Australian Local Government Association will be held from 1:30pm on Friday 25 September 2020. This event should be attended by delegates from all Member Local Governments.

Cost for attending the Annual General Meeting

Attendance at the Annual General Meeting is **free of charge** to all Member Local Governments; lunch is not provided. Delegates must register their attendance in advance.

Submission of Motions

Member Local Governments are invited to submit motions for inclusion on the Agenda for consideration at the 2020 Annual General Meeting. Motions should be submitted in writing to the Chief Executive Officer of WALGA.

The closing date for submission of motions is 5:00pm **Friday, 31 July**.

Please note that any motions proposing alterations or amendments to the Constitution of the WALGA must be received by 5:00pm Friday, 17 July 2020 in order to satisfy the 60 day constitutional notification requirements.

The following guidelines should be followed by Members in the formulation of motions:

- Motions should focus on policy matters rather than issues which could be dealt with by the WALGA State Council with minimal delay.
- Due regard should be given to the relevance of the motion to the total membership and to Local Government in general. Some motions are of a localised or regional interest and might be better handled through other forums.
- Due regard should be given to the timeliness of the motion – will it still be relevant come the Local Government Convention or would it be better handled immediately by the Association?
- The likely political impact of the motion should be carefully considered.
- Due regard should be given to the educational value to Members – i.e. does awareness need to be raised on the particular matter?
- The potential media interest of the subject matter should be considered.
- Annual General Meeting motions submitted by Member Local Governments must be accompanied by fully researched and documented supporting comment.

Criteria for Motions

As per the Corporate Governance Charter, prior to the finalisation of the agenda, the WALGA President and Chief Executive Officer will determine whether motions abide by the following criteria:

Motions will be included in the Business Paper agenda where they:

1. Are consistent with the objects of the Association (refer to clause 3 of the constitution);
2. Demonstrate that the issue/s raised will concern or are likely to concern a substantial number of Local Governments in WA.;
3. Seek to advance the Local Government policy agenda of the Association and/or improve governance of the Association;
4. Have a lawful purpose (a motion does not have a lawful purpose if its implementation would require or encourage non-compliance with prevailing laws);
5. Are clearly worded and unambiguous in nature;

Motions will not be included where they are:

6. Consistent with current Association advocacy/policy positions. (As the matter has previously considered and endorsed by the Association).

Motions of similar objective:

7. Will be consolidated as a single item.

Submitters of motions will be advised of the determinations.

Enquiries relating to the preparation or submission of motions should be directed to Margaret Degebrodt, Executive Officer Governance on (08) 9213 2036 or via email mdegebrodt@walga.asn.au.

Emergency Motions

No motion shall be accepted for debate at the Annual General Meeting after the closing date unless the Association President determines that it is of an urgent nature, sufficient to warrant immediate debate, and delegates resolve accordingly at the meeting. Please refer to the AGM Standing Orders for details.



Mayor Tracey Roberts JP
President



Nick Sloan
Chief Executive Officer

EMAIL BACK

Voting Delegate Information 2020 Annual General Meeting



TO: Chief Executive Officer

Registered:

All Member Councils are entitled to be represented by two (2) voting delegates at the Annual General Meeting of the WA Local Government Association to be held on Friday 25 September 2020 at Crown Towers Perth.

Please complete and return this form to the Association by **Friday 28, August 2020** to register the attendance and voting entitlements of your Council's delegates to the Annual General Meeting.

In the event that a Voting Delegate is unable to attend, provision is made for proxy delegates to be registered.

Only registered delegates or proxy registered delegates will be permitted to exercise voting entitlements on behalf of Member Councils. Delegates may be Elected Members or serving officers.

Please Note: All Voting Delegates will need to present at the WALGA Delegate Service Desk prior to the AGM to collect their electronic voting device (keypad) for voting and identification tag to gain entry into the Annual General Meeting.

VOTING DELEGATES	PROXY Voting Delegates
Name of Voting Delegates (2):	Name of Proxy Voting Delegates (2):
For (Local Government Name): Shire/Town/City of	
Signature Chief Executive Officer _____ (An electronic signature is <u>required</u> if submitting via email)	
Date _____	

ON COMPLETION PLEASE EMAIL TO: mdegebrodt@walga.asn.au

Margaret Degebrodt, Executive Officer Governance