



MINUTES

LEMC MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 9th October 2007 AT FESA REGIONAL OFFICES, 79 NEWCASTLE ROAD, NORTHAM COMMENCING AT 10:00AM

1. ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES

Attendance

Bert Llewellyn Chairperson Shire of Northam
Peter McLean (taken over from Crag Wanstall) Northam Police Station

Linton Mincherton FESA Yvette Grigg FESA

Phil Steven Shire of Northam

Harry Lauk Dept of Agriculture & Food

Terry Brooks Dept of Water

Paul Tholen Dept of Env & Conservation

Drew Richardson St John Ambulance
Jenny Lee Northam Hospital
Jason O'Keefe Rowland

Vince Connelly Rowland Rowland

George Tiedtke Western Power

Apologies

Jason JenkeShire of NorthamDarren AndrewsShire NorthamChadd HuntShire of NorthamSergio (Sarge) BottacinSES Northam

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 17 April 2007 were acknowledged by the Chairperson.

3. MATTERS ARISING

The previous meeting discussed the proposed update to the Local Emergency Management Arrangements and Recovery Plan, which are being progressed at this meeting.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

5. UPDATES – MEMBER LISTING

The separate sheets for Committee Members, and the broader list of addresses were circulated for correction and updating. The amended listings are circulated with these minutes.

6. ROWLAND PRESENTATION – DRAFT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS AND RECOVERY PLAN

Mr Vince Connelly provided background behind the revised Arrangements, that it includes coordination, response and recovery details. He also discussed a Local Recovery Flowchart, to see whether it reflects what the LEMC wishes to achieve.

Details of Emergency Coordination Centres, Community Events, Evacuation, Testing of the Plan, and Training were discussed to be included in the Plan

The details for Coordination Centres and Evacuation Points will be taken from the existing Arrangements. Testing of the Plan will be via Tabletop Exercises, or a description of individual Departments response plans. Training available includes AWARE training.

The proposed consultation will be with key departments within and associated with the LEMC which may include Bushfire Brigades. A final draft will be placed at the front counter of the Shire of Northam, and also taken to the Shire Council, and run past the DEMC. An expected date for the public consultation is 4 weeks approximately from early February 2008. Rowland may liaise directly with members of the DEMC for input.

To progress towards the final draft, Rowland will liaise with relevant members of the LEMC.

Mr Mincherton indicated that FESA were particularly interested in the development of the Plan, from the point of view of how it compares to other Shire's Emergency Management Plans, as it may be used as a reference in the future.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

8. NEXT MEETING DATE AND LOCATION

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 12 February 2008 at 10am at the Department of Agriculture in Northam starting at 10am.

9. CLOSE

The meeting closed at 12:15pm with a vote of thanks for attendance by the Chairperson.