

AGENDA

LEMC MEETING TO BE HELD AT FESA
79 NEWCASTLE ROAD, NORTHAM
TUESDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2009 COMMENCING AT 10 AM

1. ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES
2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FOR THE MEETING ON 23 JUNE 2009
3. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES (which are not listed agenda items)
 - 3.1.1. Avon Industrial Park
 - 3.1.2. Airport
4. CORRESPONDENCE
5. UPDATES – MEMBERS LISTING (Separate lists for Committee Members and a broader list for circulation of minutes are attached. Please update and bring these to the meeting so that the master (electronic copies) can be amended. After-hours numbers are most important).
6. GENERAL BUSINESS
 - 6.1. Review of Emergency Management Arrangements inc Recovery Plan
 - 6.1.1. As marked in plan eg Location of Emergency Coordination Centres
 - 6.1.2. Welfare Plan update (inc evacuation Centres)
 - 6.1.3. Recommendations of the Victorian Bushfire Royal Commission.

Most of the recommendations are aimed at the State Gov. or the CFA.

However recommendations 6.4 and 8.7 specifically name Municipal Councils and states that *“they need to review their Municipal Emergency Management Plans to ensure there is appropriate provision for relocation during bushfires, in particular, to indicate the location and arrangements associated with designated emergency relief centres”*.
Recommendation 8.7 states *“Municipal Councils record the location of designated community fire refuges and neighbourhood safer places in Municipal Fire Prevention Plans and Municipal Emergency Management Plans, and inform residents and visitors about their use and location”*.

An early result of the fires is the release of the necessary information by the Federal Gov. to enable FESA to get their StateAlert telephony based warning system operational. It was first trialled in March 2007 in Wundowie but it wasn't until the trial in Bedforddale that it

considered being ready for general use. It will be available prior to the coming fire season. It is a good system and could be invaluable.

The Royal Commission is certainly directing a lot of additional responsibility onto the shoulders of the Incident Controller. Bearing in mind that he/she is often a volunteer this is a big responsibility.

With regard to the 3 amendments to the WA Bush Fire Act that are currently being proposed, the most contentious is the proposed calling of a Total Fire Ban by a senior FESA staff member based on the fire index of the Met. Office, proposed only to be done in extreme conditions in consultation with the CBFCO and others in that region.

6.1.4. Airport Emergency Plan – meeting 10 November 2009 10am, do Police have an existing plan?

6.1.5. Other Member reports

6.1.5.1. Anne Foyer – Swine Flu

7. NEXT MEETING DATE & LOCATION

24 November 2009, 23 February 2010, and 25 May 2010 at FESA.

8. CLOSE

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