



# **Agenda**

## **Local Emergency Management Committee Meeting**

**First Quarter  
Wednesday 2 August 2023**

# Local Emergency Management Committee Meeting - 2 August 2023

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## Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Local Emergency Management Committee meeting will be held at the Lesser Hall at 1915 Pinjarra Road, Pinjarra (Between the Civic Centre and the Library) on Wednesday 2 August 2023 commencing at 10:00am.



Dean Unsworth  
Shire of Murray Chief Executive Officer



Mark Goodlet  
Shire of Waroona Chief Executive Officer

### 1. ATTENDANCES

### 2. ABSENT

### 3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING

- 3.1 Confirmation of Minutes of Local Emergency Management Committee Meeting - **refer to Appendix 1 - 3 May 2023**

#### **Committee Recommendation LEMC23/006**

**That the Minutes of the Shire of Murray & Waroona Local Emergency Management Committee Meeting held on 3 May 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record.**

- 3.2 Review of Meeting Action Register – **refer to Appendix 2**

The Shire of Murray & Waroona LEMC meeting action register is to be reviewed and updated as necessary.

### 4. BUSINESS ARISING

- 4.1 LEMC Exercise Schedule

Following the last LEMC meeting Pinjarra Police OIC - Mark Howes suggested conducting a Murrayfield Airport plane crash exercise. A previous exercise template has been supplied which we can alter accordingly. A date and time will need to be scheduled.

### 5. State EM Preparedness Procedure 3.7 - LEMC Requirements

#### 5.1 Every Meeting

- 5.1.1 Confirmation of LEMC Contact Details - **refer to Appendix 3**

The updated LEMC Contact Register is attached in **Appendix 3**.

### 5.1.2 Review any Post-Incident Reports and/or Post-Exercise Reports

### 5.1.3 Funding Nominations and Applications Progress - **Appendix 4**

#### ***Independent Review of Commonwealth Disaster Funding***

The Minister for Emergency Management, Senator the Hon. Murray Watt, has commissioned an Independent Review of Commonwealth Disaster Funding. Mr Andrew Colvin AO APM has been appointed as the Independent Reviewer, supported by a team from consulting firm Deloitte and a taskforce within the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA).

The Review will explore the most effective ways for the Australian Government to support communities through the funding it provides to state and territory governments, local governments, businesses and community organisations in support of natural disaster management. It will consider how the Commonwealth Government can better invest in disaster risk reduction to lessen the impacts of natural disasters and help communities respond and recover more quickly.

This review is one of three Commonwealth reviews examining Australia's Emergency Management sector. The Government will also examine Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA), and National Natural Disaster Governance Arrangements.

A draft submission from WALGA is attached in **Appendix 4**. Local Governments can make an online submission by Friday 4 August 2023. Local Government CEO's and Mayors/Presidents will also be sent a survey.

#### ***All West Australians Reducing Emergencies (AWARE) Grant Program***

The 2023 round of AWARE grants open on Wednesday 16 August and close on Wednesday 20 September 2023. There is a total allocation of \$238,000. Applicants can apply for between \$2,500 and \$35,000 grant funding. However Local level risk assessment projects can only request a maximum of \$6,000.

Applicants must contribute at least 25 percent of the total project cost in cash or in-kind.

Eligible project types:

- further the emergency risk management process,
- facilitate capability-based exercises,
- assist in reviewing Local Emergency Management Arrangements,
- deliver emergency management training; or,
- host or facilitate emergency management events or forums.

As we have only just recently reviewed our LEMA we could apply for AWARE funding for exercises to test the LEMA and sub plans or for emergency management training for LG staff that have roles and responsibilities in the LEMA.

It was also identified in the LEMA and LEMC Business Plan that a comprehensive local level risk assessment would be undertaken in both Shire of Murray and Waroona. The aim was for the review to be completed prior to 2025 pending suitable State grant funding being identified.

### 5.1.4 Bush Fire Risk Management Planning / Treatment Strategies Progress

R Bloxsidge and N Stevens to provide update on MAF progress.

5.1.5 Local Emergency Management Arrangements

5.1.6 Review Business Plan Strategies and Record Key Achievements

**6. GENERAL BUSINESS**

6.1 DFES - DO Emergency Management - **Appendix 5** - J Carter

A report has been submitted as per **Appendix 5**.

**7. NEXT MEETING**

The next Local Emergency Management Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday 1 November 2023 commencing at 10:00am. The meeting will be held at the Shire of Waroona Council Chambers at 52 Hesse Street, Waroona.

**8. CLOSE**