



Annual General Meeting

Minutes

**Bush Fire Advisory Committee Meeting to be held
Monday 1 September 2025 at 7.00pm**

Nannup SES, Sexton Way, Nannup

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Agenda Monday 1 September 2025

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY:

The Presiding Member Cr Cheryle Brown declared the meeting open at 7.00pm.

Welcome to country was acknowledged by the presiding member:

I would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land we are meeting on, the Wardandi and Bibbulmun people. I acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and their contribution they make to the life of this region.

Presiding Member advised the Committee the meeting would be recorded for minute purposes only.

2. ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES:

2.1 Attendance

Councillors	Staff
Cr Cheryle Brown (Presiding Member)	Geoff Allam – Community Emergency Services Manager (CESM)
Cr Patricia Fraser (Deputy Presiding Member)	Lisa Atkinson – Executive Support Officer
	Liam Freedman, Ranger, Shire of Nannup

Members (Full Voting rights)
Mark Scott – Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and Balingup Road FCO (DCBFCO)
Robert Marshall – Carlotta FCO
Gerald Brown – Cundinup FCO
Jesse Francis – Darradup FCO
Vic Lorkiewicz – East Nannup FCO
Geoff Allam – Nannup Townsite FCO/CESM
Mike Vasey – Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and North Nannup FCO (DCBFCO)
Andrew McNab – Scott River/Lake Jasper FCO

Other Attendees (Non-Voting rights)
John Thompson – Captain, North Nannup
Bryce Edwards – Forest Products Commission (FPC)
Peter Grubb, President, Nannup Brook Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade
Alistair McIlroy – Scott River/Lake Jasper Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade
Steve Fraser, Balingup Road Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade
John Fishwick – Acting Fire Coordinator Donnelly District, Parks and Wildlife (DFCA)
Keith Traver, Officer in Charge, Nannup Police
Peter Thomas – District Officer - Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES)

2.2 Apologies

Members (Full Voting rights)
John Patman, Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer (DCBFCO)
John Jonker– Peerabeelup Coastal FCO
Leigh Fletcher, Nannup Brook FCO

Councillors	Staff
	David Taylor, Chief Executive Officer

3.CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1. Bush Fire Advisory Committee Annual General Meeting – 5 August 2024

That the Minutes from the Bush Fire Advisory Committee held 5 August 2024 be confirmed as a true and correct record (Attachment 3.1).

<i>MOVED: MIKE VASEY</i>	<i>SECONDED: MARK SCOTT</i>
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CARRIED

4.ELECTION OF OFFICERS – PRESIDING MEMBER AND DEPUTY PRESIDING MEMBER

4.1. The current presiding member will call for nominations for Presiding Member and Deputy Presiding Member.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect Councillor Cheryle Brown as Presiding Member of the Shire of Nannup Bush Fire Advisory Committee.

MOTION

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect Councillor Cheryle Brown as Presiding Member of the Shire of Nannup Bush Fire Advisory Committee

<i>MOVED: MARK SCOTT</i>	<i>SECONDED: ANDREW MCNAB</i>
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CARRIED

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect Councillor Patricia Fraser as Deputy Presiding Member of the Shire of Nannup Bush Fire Advisory Committee.

MOTION

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect councillor Patricia Fraser as Deputy Presiding Member of the Shire of Nannup Bush Fire Advisory Committee

<i>MOVED: MIKE VASEY</i>	<i>SECONDED: GERALD BROWN</i>
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CARRIED

5.ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PERSON PRESIDING:

Nil.

6. APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF BUSH FIRE CONTROL OFFICER, DEPUTY CHIEF BUSH FIRE CONTROL OFFICER AND BRIGADE FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS:

6.1 The current presiding member will call for nominations for Chief Bush Fire Control Officer, Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officers.

Mark Scott - Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and Balingup Road FCO (DCBFCO) nominated John Patman as the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect John Patman as Chief Bush Fire Control Officer for the Shire of Nannup.

MOTION

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect John Patman as Chief Bush Fire Control Officer for the Shire of Nannup.

<i>MOVED: MARK SCOTT</i>	<i>SECONDED: MIKE VASEY</i>
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CARRIED

Mark Scott Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and Balingup Road FCO (DCBFCO) nominated Mike Vasey as Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer.

Mike Vasey – Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and North Nannup FCO (DCBFCO) nominated Mark Scott Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and Balingup Road FCO (DCBFCO)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect Mark Scott and Mike Vasey as Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officers for the Shire of Nannup.

MOTION

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect Mark Scott as Deputy Bush Fire Control Officer.

<i>MOVED: MIKE VASEY</i>	<i>SECONDED: GERALD BROWN</i>
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CARRIED

MOTION

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect Mike Vasey as Deputy Fire Control Officer.

<i>MOVED: ANDREW MCNAB</i>	<i>SECONDED: MARK SCOTT</i>
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CARRIED

6.2 The current presiding member will request an honorarium for the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and Deputy Bush Fire Control Officers.

At 7.07pm, Mark Scott, Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and Mike Vasey, Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer, left the meeting after declaring a Financial Interest in the recommendation item at agenda item 6.2.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee request the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and Deputy Bush Fire Control Officer receive an honorarium of \$1,500 and \$750 each respectively.

MOTION

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee request the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and Deputy Bush Fire Control Officers receive an honorarium of \$1,500 and \$750 each respectively.

<i>MOVED: GERALD BROWN</i>	<i>SECONDED: ANDREW MCNAB</i>
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CARRIED

At 7.08pm, Mark Scott, Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and Mike Vasey, Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer, returned to the meeting

6.3. The current Presiding Member will call for nominations for Fire Control Officers.

Current Fire Control Officers:

- Balingup Road (Mark Scott)
- Carlotta (Peter Hastie)
- Cundinup (Gerald Brown)
- Darradup (John Patman)
- East Nannup (Victor Lorkiewicz)
- Scott River/Lake Jasper (Andrew McNab)
- North Nannup (Mike Vasey)
- Nannup Townsite (Geoff Allam)
- Nannup Brook – (Leigh Fletcher)
- Peerabeelup – (Brett Fowler)
- Peerabeelup Coastal – (John Jonker)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect Mark Scott as Fire Control Officer for the Balingup Road Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect Robert Marshall as Fire Control Officer for the Carlotta Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect Gerald Brown as Fire Control Officer for the Cundinup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect Jessie Francis as Fire Control Officer for the Darradup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect Vic Lorkiewicz as Fire Control Officer for the East Nannup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect Andrew McNab as Fire Control Officer for the Scott River/Lake Jasper Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect Mike Vasey as Fire Control Officer for the North Nannup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect Leigh Fletcher as Fire Control Officer for the Nannup Brook Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade.

It was agreed to put forward one motion and vote en bloc for FCO positions

MOTION

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee elect as Bush Fire Control Officers:

- *Mark Scott for the Balingup Road Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade*
- *Robert Marshall for the Carlotta Volunteer Bush Fire*
- *Gerald Brown for the Cundinup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade*
- *Jesse Francis for the Darradup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade*
- *Victor Lorkiewicz for the East Nannup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade*
- *Andrew McNab for the Scott River/Lake Jasper Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade*
- *Mike Vasey for the North Nannup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade*
- *Geoff Allam (CESM) for Nannup Townsite Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade*
- *Leigh Fletcher for the Nannup Brook Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade*
- *John Jonker for Peerabeelup Coastal Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade*

MOVED: PATRICIA FRASER

SECONDED: CHERYLE BROWN

CARRIED

Note – No FCO for Peerabeelup was appointed

7. CLOSURE OF MEETING:

The Presiding Member Cr Cheryle Brown declared the meeting closed at 7.10pm.