

Wagait Shire Emergency Management Recovery Committee

Draft Minutes

Meeting Date

21 June 2017 at 6.30pm

Venue

Wagait Shire Community Centre

Attendance

Chris Tyzack, Peter Clee, Fred Gillis, Kym Dye, Lorna Manning, Mark Sidey

Apologies

Barry Demasson, Nic Barclay, Ian Hinchliffe,

Welcome to new CEO. All members gave a brief history of themselves

Previous Minutes

Minutes of meeting 29 March agreed.

Business Arising/Action arising from previous minutes

- Committee members to familiarise themselves with the Emergency Management 2013 Act and the Emergency Management Plan 2016
- Kym to seek the involvement of Police to attend a meeting and brief the group on how Police and Emergency Services operations would occur for Wagait Shire area. This request was discussed further and agreed that it should occur for our next meeting as a pre cyclone update opportunity. Police will be asked to advise of their activation processes in the event of a cyclone. It was suggested NTES central office attend and the local NTES be invited.
- Recovery Issues identified with cyclone Debbie. This and the events of the Grenfell Tower fire and Portuguese fire were discussed. Chris has been unable to obtain any evaluation of the recovery process and pitfalls experienced for cyclone Debbie. Mark will try to talk with local government and see if there is any "learnings" out of the event.

General Business

- Committee list updated and distributed

New Business

- Wagait Beach Fire Scenario with attached proforma recovery plan. Chris introduced this scenario and the suggested issues that would need to be addressed for recovery. The group discussed the issues raised. Copy of document attached.
- National Disaster resilience and relief funding. The group was advised funds are available to assist communities prepare and be more resilient in face of emergencies. Suggestions for additional infrastructure for the cyclone shelter were made including extra water tanks and solar panels/battery bank to ensure operations if fuel availability diminishes. Peter also talked about rewiring and upgrading one of the generators for a more efficient operation, and the Radio Tower construction.

Business arising from this meeting

- Kym to seek the involvement of Police in attending the next meeting to brief the group on how Police and Emergency Services operations would occur for Wagait Shire area in the event of a cyclone.
- Recovery Issues identified with Cyclone Debbie - Mark to check with LGA for any information/evaluations.
- Disaster resilience grant applications – Peter to progress

Next meeting

The next meeting - Wednesday 20 September 2017 at 6.30.