

**SHIRE OF RAVENSTHORPE**  
**Bushfire Advisory Committee**  
**MINUTES**

**of the Meeting held on Tuesday 10 April 2012 in the Ravensthorpe  
Entertainment Centre, commencing 7.30pm.**

**BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**HELD IN THE ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE, RAVENSTHORPE**  
**ON 10 APRIL, 2012 COMMENCING AT 7.30pm.**

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## 1. DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

Nil.

## 2. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

The Chief Executive Officer called for nominations.

Current Chairman – Mr Keith Rowe.

Peter Blond nominated Keith Rowe  
Keith Rowe was elected unopposed.

## 3. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON

Current Deputy Chairman – Mr Bernard Featherstonhaugh

Gavin Gibson nominated Bernard Featherstonhaugh.  
Bernard Featherstonhaugh was elected unopposed.

## 4. ELECTION OF CHIEF BUSH FIRE CONTROL OFFICER

Peter Blond nominated Rod Daw.  
Rod Daw was elected unopposed.

## 5. ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHIEF BUSH FIRE CONTROL OFFICER

### 5.1 Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer – Southern Region

Andy Duncan nominated Richard Foulds.  
Richard Foulds was elected unopposed.

### 5.2 Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer – Northern Region

Rod Daw nominated Andy Duncan.  
Andy Duncan was elected unopposed.

## 6. ATTENDANCE

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| Simon Williams – Jerdacuttup | Paul Bell – Jerdacuttup              |
| Gavin Gibson – Munglinup     | Bernard Featherstonhaugh – Munglinup |
| Rod Daw – Bandalup           | Ken Norman – Shire Delegate          |
| Andy Duncan – DCBFCO         | Peter Blond – Hopetoun Central       |
| Brett Kershaw – West River   | Andy Chambers – North Ravensthorpe   |
| Peter Thurkle – CESM         | Richard Norrish – Mt Short           |
| Peter Kuiper – West River    | Dick Kuiper – West River             |
| Keith Rowe – Ravensthorpe    | Pascoe Durtanovich - CEO             |

**Apologies:** Richard Foulds  
Colin Guest  
Doug Bray  
James Mollet

## 7. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

*Division 6: Sub-Division 1 of the Local Government Act 1995. Care should be taken by all Committee members and staff to ensure that a financial/impartiality interest is declared and that they refrain from voting on any matter, which is considered to come within the ambit of the Act.*

Nil.

## 8. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

*This is an opportunity for any member or visitor to ask questions about any aspect of fire management.*

Nil.

## 9. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 13 September 2011

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| COMMITTEE & OFFICER RECOMMENDATION   | ITEM 9.1              |
| MOVED: ANDY DUNCAN   | SECONDED: PETER BLOND |
| That the minutes of the Bushfire Advisory Committee meeting held on 13 September 2011 be confirmed as a true and correct recording of proceedings. |                       |
| CARRIED  |                       |

## 10. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

### ITEM 6.2 – CARBON SEQUESTRATION PLANTATION – FESA GUIDELINES

FESA guidelines have been released. The Shire's Town Planner is preparing a draft policy for these type of plantations in the Shire of Ravensthorpe. The policy will address fire management and will give due regard to the FESA guidelines.

The draft policy will be made available to all Bush Fire Brigades with the view to a consolidated response being made through the Bush Fire Advisory Committee.

*Noted.*

### ITEM 6.6 – SMS FORMAT

This matter has been addressed.

*Noted.*

**ITEM 6.9 – RADIOS SERVICING**

Has been completed by Esperance Communications.

Please report any issues to the CBFCO or the CESM.

*Noted.*

**ITEM 6.12 – FUEL REDUCTION BURNING IN THE FITZGERALD NATIONAL PARK**

CESM and CBFCO to report on meetings held.

*Rod Daw updated the meeting in respect to burns planned and referred members to the DEC report in this agenda.*

**ITEM 10.2.2 – NEW RADIOS**

Council has purchased 3 VHF mobiles and 1 handheld with 3x12v chargers.

*Noted.*

**ITEM 10.2.5 – MOBILE PHONE COVERAGE**

*Rod and Andy reported on the recent meeting with Telstra facilitated by Council.*

**ITEM 10.3.1 – RAVENSTHORPE AIRPORT FIRE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

The Shire is undertaking a concerted slashing and spraying program in April/May 2012 to control love grass, both air side and land side.

A fire management strategy can be developed at the conclusion of that work, once the level of success is known.

*Noted.*

## 11. OFFICER REPORTS

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| <b>11.1</b> | <b>SHIRE OF RAVENSTHORPE ANNUAL FIRE REGULATION NOTICE<br/>2012/2013</b> |
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**File Ref:**

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|--|--|
| <b>Applicant:</b>                      | Not applicable                               |
| <b>Location:</b>                       | Shire of Ravensthorpe Municipal District     |
| <b>Disclosure of Officer Interest:</b> | None   |
| <b>Date:</b>                           | 2 April 2012                                 |
| <b>Author:</b>                         | Pascoe Durtanovich – Chief Executive Officer |
| <b>Authorising Officer:</b>            | Not applicable                               |
| <b>Attachments:</b>                    | Yes – Draft Fire Regulation Notice           |

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**Summary:**

Committee is required to review the current Fire Regulation Notice and recommend the notice to Council for adoption.

**Background:**

The Fire Regulation Notice is reviewed every year by Council and forwarded to all ratepayers in October.

**Comment:**

Committee is requested to consider the attached notice and recommend any changes to Council.

Omitted from the 2011/2012 Order is the requirement for a fire unit with a water capacity of a minimum 400 litres be provided within close proximity to harvesting operations. This will be included in the 2012/2013 Order.

**Consultation:**

Not applicable.

**Statutory Obligations:**

Section 33 Bush Fires Act, 1954

**Policy Implications:**

Nil

**Budget / Financial Implications:**

Nil

**Strategic Implications:**

Nil

**Sustainability Implications:**

- **Environmental:**

There are no known significant environmental considerations.

• **Economic:**

There are no known significant economic considerations.

• **Social:**

There are no known significant social considerations.

**Voting Requirements:**

Simple Majority

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| OFFICER RECOMMENDATION  | ITEM 11.1 |
| That the draft Shire of Ravensthorpe Annual Fire Regulation Notice 2012/2013 be adopted subject to the following changes: |           |

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| COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION   | ITEM 11.1             |
| MOVED: ROD DAW   | SECONDED: PETER BLOND |
| That the draft Shire of Ravensthorpe Annual Fire Regulation Notice 2012/2013, as circulated, with a more definable harvest ban area map, be adopted. |                       |
| CARRIED  |                       |

## 11.2 APPOINTMENT OF BRIGADE FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS

**File Ref:**

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|--|--|
| <b>Applicant:</b>                      | Bush Fire Brigade                            |
| <b>Location:</b>                       | Shire of Ravensthorpe Municipal District     |
| <b>Disclosure of Officer Interest:</b> | None   |
| <b>Date:</b>                           | 2 April 2012                                 |
| <b>Author:</b>                         | Pascoe Durtanovich – Chief Executive Officer |
| <b>Authorising Officer:</b>            | Not applicable                               |
| <b>Attachments:</b>                    | Yes – List of current FCOs                   |

**Summary:**

Committee is required to recommend Fire Control Officers for appointment by Council

**Background:**

In the past the appointment of FCOs has been made by Council without reference to the Bush Fire Advisory Committee. This practice is not necessarily a problem however due process requires the Committee's involvement.

**Comment:**

A list of current FCOs, contact details etc. is attached. Brigade representatives are asked to review the list and highlight any changes.

**Consultation:**

Brigade Representatives to confirm details.

**Statutory Obligations:**

Section 38 Bush Fires Act, 1954

**Policy Implications:**

Nil

**Budget / Financial Implications:**

Nil

**Strategic Implications:**

Shire of Ravensthorpe Strategic Plan, Action Plan No 6.5, Action 404 identifies the need to ensure the sustainability of emergency services volunteers, including Fire Brigades.

**Sustainability Implications:****• Environmental:**

There are no known significant environmental considerations.

**• Economic:**

There are no known significant economic considerations.

**• Social:**

There are no known significant social considerations.

**Voting Requirements:**

Simple Majority

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| COMMITTEE & OFFICER RECOMMENDATION  | ITEM 11.2             |
| MOVED: BERNARD FEATHERSTONHAUGH   | SECONDED: PETER BLOND |
| That the attached list of Fire Control officers, identified as Attachment 11.2 be recommended to Council for approval and gazettal. |                       |
| CARRIED   |                       |



**11.3 BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE - AGM****File Ref:**

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| <b>Applicant:</b>                      | Not applicable                               |
| <b>Location:</b>                       | Not applicable                               |
| <b>Disclosure of Officer Interest:</b> | None   |
| <b>Date:</b>                           | 2 April 2012                                 |
| <b>Author:</b>                         | Pascoe Durtanovich – Chief Executive Officer |
| <b>Authorising Officer:</b>            | Not applicable                               |
| <b>Attachments:</b>                    | None   |

**Summary:**

Committee support is requested for a change to the Annual General Meeting date from September to April.

**Background:**

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee Operation Guidelines require the Annual General meeting to be held in September.

The main business to be transacted at the Annual General meeting is:

- Elections for nomination to Council of Chief Bush Fire Control Officer, Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer, Chairman and Deputy Chairman.
- Any matters raised by Bush Fire Brigade members and the public.

**Comment:**

Given the Fire Break Order is issued in October, holding the AGM in April provides better time lines for the appointment and gazettal of FCOs by Council and to ensure that those listed on the Fire Break Order are correct.

**Consultation:**

This is a procedural matter therefore consultation is not required. It is up to this Committee to make a recommendation to Council.

**Statutory Obligations:**

The Bush Fire Advisory Committee Operational Guidelines are a policy of Council and as such can be amended by Council.

The Shire of Ravensthorpe Bush Fire Brigade Local Laws and the Bush Fire Act, 1954 do not specify AGM meeting dates.

**Policy Implications:**

Shire of Ravensthorpe Bush Fire Advisory Committee Operational Guidelines.

**Budget / Financial Implications:**

Nil

**Strategic Implications:**

Nil

**Sustainability Implications:**

• **Environmental:**

There are no known significant environmental considerations.

• **Economic:**

There are no known significant economic considerations.

• **Social:**

There are no known significant social considerations.

**Voting Requirements:**

Simple Majority

COMMITTEE & OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

ITEM 11.3

MOVED: ROD DAW

SECONDED: ANDY DUNCAN

That the Shire of Ravensthorpe Bush Fire Advisory Committee Operational Guidelines be amended to enable the Annual General Meeting of the Committee to be held in April each year.

CARRIED

## 12. OTHER REPORTS

### 12.1 Community Services Emergency Services Manager

The season has been relevantly quiet with only a few incidents, but the incident at Starvation Bay certainly showed some potential to escalate, but with good coordination and leadership by our volunteers and the support of local DEC, SES units and the appliance from Jerramungup VES this was diminished and the outcome has provided a strategic fuel reduction on the eastern side of the Starvo camp site. I wish to say Thank You to all who contributed on behalf of the Shire this was a great achievement and efforts were appreciated.

- . Have attended a couple of brigade meetings.
- . Membership review has been well supported and is progressing well to achieve correct records once completed will pass member information to brigades.
- . The Shire was subject to an ESL audit since our last meeting, resulting in us requiring some adjustment to the way we acquit our funding and brigades will need to assist to achieve this.
- . The Shire applied compliance on the fire break order this year around Ravensthorpe and Hopetoun which had a huge reaction from some local residents, but has influenced ratepayers to comply to install the required standard within subdivisions. The required compliance is continuing at this time with work being carried out even at this stage.

- . Some good news is that new appliances for West River, Jerdacuttup and Cocanarup are progressing through fleet development. Next step is to apply for Fire Stations in next year's ESL allocation. Jerdacuttup fire station is being looked at in conjunction of new hall, at this stage.
- . Some brigades have received PPE and others equipment requests are being processed at this time.
- . From last meeting we have been working on a sustainable Hopetoun Fire Management Plan with 20 km radius, consolidating strategic firebreaks within the Shire which is ongoing at this time Ravensthorpe, Jerdacuttup and Hopetoun.
- . A group has been formed to develop Fire Management strategy and policy for submission to council for adoption. At this stage the group will also look at proposed Fire Management Plans .Ongoing at this stage.
- . Plantation Policy development is still under way but the adoption of the FESA guidelines with added local policy amendments or requirements is being considered.
- . A meeting was held after identifying a risk at Mt Short airstrip and some works needs to be carried out at this location, for safe work practises during bomber operations. This is a leased property which carries some responsibility on maintenance, DEC has offered assistance where possible, but will be looked at over winter.
- . The four tanks provided through drought relief funding have arrived and been placed at both Hopetoun Airport and at the bottom of Munglinup dam wall. We are now working on connection and supply to these resources.
- . Have attended training, administration and operational meetings over this period some of which were positive and some still a bit uncertain.
- . Leading up to and during the fire season we have been pro-active in promotion of Prepare Act Survive throughout the Shire and had a Emergency Services stall at Paddy's Market in Hopetoun which was attended well by both locals and visitors. Thanks to those whom helped during these times.

I wish to say Thanks to all for their assistance during this period. Also Rod and Shire staff your support has been appreciated.]

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| COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION  | ITEM 12.1          |
| MOVED: B FEATHERSTONHAUGH<br>That the CESM's report be received.<br>CARRIED | SECONDED: G GIBSON |

## 12.2 Chief Bush Fire Control Officer - 13/9/2011 to 14/4/2012

- . Hopetoun meeting 15/9 and 5/10 and draft Bush Fire Prevention Plan.
- . List of BFCOs circulated.
- . Invite to respond to Kealty Report to all BFCOs – 1 response.
- . 12/10 H & R Standpipe access cards to R, RF, Hope HD, Mal Grant.
- . Detailed list of radio allocations prepared by RD.
- . Munglinup town meeting 6/10 – re firebreaks.
- . Munglinup Brigade meeting 6/10.

- . Responded to request to comment on findings of ??? 53 Kealty Report.
- . 24/10 PT requests our permits to reflect conditions to comply with as per old books.
- . 11/10 PT with lists of brigade members to be checked and adjusted.
- . WR Brigade 26/10 and training afternoon.
- . PT – application for 2 x light tankers for period 1/12/11 to 1/3/12.
- . 7/11 meeting with Karen Westheimer FESA community safety officer re Hopetoun.
- . Cocanarup Brigade meeting 15/11.
- . 16/11 Albany – 2011/12 Seasonal operational changes – conference.
- . Cocanarup Brigade requesting a fast fill trailer and PT response.
- . TFB exemption granted to J Ray.
- . Definition of a spade break – FESA's reply.
- . Ravensthorpe declared species group – re permit required to travel rabbit proof fence.
- . Meetings with PT 11/10, 12/10/ 25/10, 1/11, 1/12, 8/2.
- . Upgrade of strategic fire access roads in the NW of the Shire by DFC.
- . BOM – Proposed changes to fire weather districts – Rav Coastal Rav inland.
- . Airport tank meeting 2/3/11 and 13/9/11.
- . 5/3 meeting for overview of proposed fire management planning.
- . Telstra mobile tower meeting 15/3.
- . M Brigade meeting 19/3.
- . Krystal Park estate fire plan meeting 20/3.
- . BF Consult Comm meetings 17/10, 29/2.
- . 3 H Ba?o 25/11, 23/2 (12/3 TFB).
- . Spot Forecast 16/2.
- . Fire weather warnings 4/11, 23/11, 24/11, 28/11, 30/11, 19/1, 22/2, 12/3.
- . Fires 15/10, 20/10, 22/11, 3/12, 4/2, 29/1, 16/2, 19/3, 26/3, 29/3, 2/4 (16/2 to 20/2) and several not reported.
- . Albany DOAG meeting 30/3.
- . Narrogin DOAG meeting 29/3.
- . 40 odd permits issued since 1/2.
- . FESA plans received to slash or mulch within gazetted town boundaries at R H & J.

It's been a busy 7 months, my thanks go to all that have supported me in fire control.

Thanks to the Shire and CEO and Peter Thurkle CESM.

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**ITEM 12.2**

**MOVED: RICHARD NORRISH      SECONDED: GAVIN GIBSON**  
 That the CBFCA's report be received.  
**CARRIED**

**12.3 FESA**  
 Nil

## 12.4 Department of Environment and Conservation - 10/04/2012

1 bushfire was reported within the Ravensthorpe Shire, FRNP Cell 9 Fire 4 (4ha)

Master burn programming for autumn is continuing with several burns planned for the autumn, including completing.

### Prescribed burns requiring completion when conditions are suitable (Autumn 2012)

FRNP\_17\_HB01 2248ha Drummond Track partly completed  
ANR\_HB01 190ha, Aerodrome Road "eastern cell completed".

### Proposed prescribed burns to commence when conditions are suitable (Autumn 2012)

UCL\_SofR\_21, 736ha, west of Ravensthorpe, Hopetoun Road.  
UCL\_SofR\_27, 676ha, Road Eleven.

FRNP\_Cell20\_ACB02 (Aircraft Burn East of Moir Track) 1,500ha  
FRNP\_Cell19\_HB01 (Aircraft Burn 33km West of Hopetoun) 1,200ha  
FRNP\_Cell17\_HB01 (Hand Burn 30km West of Hopetoun) 1,200ha  
FRNP\_Cell17\_ACB02 (Aircraft Burn 50km West of Hopetoun) 2,200ha

Firebreak tractor slashing has been completed on strategic fire breaks around Ravensthorpe and Hopetoun town sites, and associated DEC estate, using the new tractor for the Albany District.

7 staff within are now working within the Ravensthorpe Work Centre and the FRNP

*Peter Masters  
Senior Operations Officer  
Ravensthorpe Work Centre*

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

ITEM 12.4

MOVED: ROD DAW

SECONDED: PAUL BELL

That the DEC report be received.

CARRIED

## 13. GENERAL BUSINESS

*This is an opportunity for members to raise issues for discussion, for recommendation to Council, or for further research.*

### 13.1 PAUL BELL – BURNING PERMITS OVER EASTER

Suggested that permits to burn should not be issued over the Easter period, given that many landowners are away during this period.

The matter raised was discussed extensively by Committee.

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| COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION   | ITEM 13.1 |
| MOVED: ROD DAW                      SECONDED: BERNARD FEATHERSTONHAUGH<br>That the status quo remain and FCOs use their powers to restrict burning as required.<br>CARRIED |           |

13.2 ANDY DUNCAN – RE: FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS' HANDBOOK

Requested FCOs be issued with FCOs' handbooks issued by FESA.

13.3 FIRE BREAK COMPLIANCE ISSUES

Acknowledged the effort made by Council in enforcing the Shire Fire Break Regulation Notice, but indicated that more has to be done.

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| COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION   | ITEM 13.3 |
| MOVED: ROD DAW                      SECONDED: PETER BLOND<br>That Council employ a full time Compliance Officer for the fire break implementation period.<br>CARRIED |           |

13.4 CO2 CARBON SEQUESTRATION PLANTATION FIRE MANAGEMENT PLANS

Raised non compliance issues by CO2 in respect to adopted Plantation Fire Management Plans.

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| COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION  | ITEM 13.4 |
| MOVED: ANDY DUNCAN                      SECONDED: DICK KUIPER<br>That Council follow up on non compliance issues with CO2 Plantations Fire Management Plans.<br>CARRIED |           |

13.5 ANDY DUNCAN – SUBDIVISION/REZONING APPROVAL POLICY

Advised the Committee that Council has adopted the following policy:

**TP19 Rezoning and Subdivision Applications – Fire Management Process**

**Policy objectives:**

To ensure fire risk issues are identified and addressed prior to applications being considered by Council.

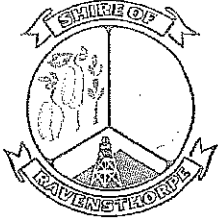
**Policy:**

Prior to rezoning and subdivision application for residential, small rural holding and rural conservation developments being considered by Council the application be referred to a meeting of at least four of the following; Chief Bushfire Control Officer, Deputy Chief Bushfire Control Officer, Community Emergency Services Manager and Manager of Planning and Development; for comment and recommendation on fire risk, fire safety and fire management issues.

13.6 PETER THURKLE

Advised additional mitigation work is being undertaken in Hopetoun and surrounding areas.

**CLOSURE – 9.35pm**



**SHIRE OF RAVENSTHORPE  
ANNUAL FIRE REGULATION NOTICE  
2012/2013**

**To all owners and occupiers of land in the Shire of Ravensthorpe  
First and Final Notice**

Pursuant to the powers contained in Section 33 of the Bush Fire Act 1954, you are hereby required on or before 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2012, to implement, and then continuously maintain until 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2013, the Regulations relevant to your property as specified in this Notice.

**Rural**

All owners or occupiers of rural land within the Shire of Ravensthorpe shall, to the satisfaction of Council or a duly authorised officer, have firebreaks during the firebreak period of at least 3 metres width clear of all flammable material within 200 metres perimeter of all buildings, haystacks or groups of buildings in such a manner as to completely encircle the buildings and haystacks and any grasses within the 3 metre firebreak and encircled facility maintained at a height of not more than 50mm. This may be completed by, slashing, burning (with a permit), grading, sprayed or grazing etc. A fire unit with a water capacity of a minimum 400 litres must be provided within close proximity to harvesting operations.

**Townsites/Rural Small Holdings and Rural Conservation**

All owners or occupiers of land within the above areas shall, to the satisfaction of Council or a duly authorised officer, have firebreaks during the firebreak period for:

**Lots 2000 sq metres and under:**

All vegetation shall be maintained in a fuel reduced state of no more than 50mm high. This may be completed by, slashing, burning (with a permit), grading, sprayed, etc.

**Lots greater than 2000 sq metres:**

Construct a 6 metre wide firebreak completely clear of flammable material immediately inside and along all external boundaries so as to divide lots. This may be completed by, slashing, burning (with a permit), grading, sprayed or grazing.

Landowners or occupiers shall be responsible for maintaining other cleared areas in a low fuel conditions by grazing, slashing or other methods approved by the Council.

**Building Protection Zones:**

A building protection of not less than 20 metres wide shall be provided and maintained around all residential buildings.

The Building protection zone may comprise:

- Reduced flammable materials and vegetation maintained at a height of no more than 50mm;
- Green vegetation (i.e. green lawns or garden beds);
- Slashed or grazed vegetation;

**Note:** Trees and branches overhanging buildings must be removed.

**Harvest Ban Areas – Harvesting, Machinery and Vehicle Movement Bans**

From time to time the Bush Fire Control Officers will apply Harvest Bans or Harvesting, Machinery and Vehicle Movement Bans as, and when, the conditions require. A Harvest Ban prohibits the operation of harvesting during this time. An exception is the movement of vehicles and machinery on made gazetted roads and laneways. Other activities may also be permitted. Please contact R Daw, A Duncan or R Foulds for further information. Harvest Ban Areas are defined on the map attached. Please contact the Shire office should you require a clearer version. These areas are referred to in all broadcasts. It is your responsibility to ensure that you are aware of any ban that is in place. Information on bans will be broadcasted on the ABC, Radio 747 and on Council's Harvest Ban Information Line (9838 1998 or 9839 0035).

**Important Dates**

|                                    |   |  |
|------------------------------------|---|--|
| Prohibited Burning Period          | - | 1 <sup>st</sup> November, 2012 to 31 <sup>st</sup> January, 2013 |
| Restricted Burning Period          | - | 1 <sup>st</sup> February, 2013 to 31 <sup>st</sup> October, 2013 |
| No Burning Permitted on ANY Sunday | - | All Year   |

**Permits to burn are required for anytime of the year**

A permit to burn issued under Section 18 of the Bush Fire Act must be sought from a permit issuing Fire Control Officer, and is only valid for the day specified on the permit. Please contact R Daw, A Duncan or R Foulds for further information.  
your area.



Please see over for important information.

Persons who fail to comply with the requirements stated in this order may incur penalties, either by way of infringements or prosecutions, as defined in the Bush Fires Act 1954 Regulations and Infringements.

In addition should the property owner / occupier fail to comply with this order, the Shire of Ravensthorpe can, at any time after the specified dates enter the property to carry out the required work, and the owner / occupiers will then be liable for all penalties and costs incurred.

If the requirements of this order are carried out by burning, such burning must be carried out in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Bush Fires Act 1954 and the Shire of Ravensthorpe Fire Permit requirements.

In addition to this order, the Shire of Ravensthorpe may issue separate special orders on owners / occupiers if a particular fire hazard removal is deemed necessary.

The Council no longer installs firebreaks for ratepayers; Council recommends that you contact local contractors as soon as possible to ensure the requirements of this notice are carried out

#### Important Telephone Numbers

|                              |   |  |    |           |
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| R Daw                        | - | Chief Bush Fire Control Officer                | -  | 9838 1204 |
|                              |   |  | or | 9838 1175 |
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| Hopetoun Sand and Gravel – Morray King    | -  | 0409 881 282 |
| PM & J Contractors – Phil Townsend        | -  | 0427 936 527 |
| Corgingup Contractors – Wayne Daw         | -  | 0427 381 497 |
| GE & JJ Fairhead – Geoff Fairhead         | -  | 0429 389 023 |
| G.D Walker – Gary Walker                  | -  | 0429 155 351 |
| Meridian Earthworks – Mark King           | -  | 0427 381 408 |
| Venos Dingo Services – Andrew Venning     | -  | 0427 383 552 |
| Belli Mini Earthworks – Greg Belli        | -  | 0427 027 003 |
| RS & EE Colvin – Ron Colvin               | -  | 0428 381 180 |
| Keith Roy – Spraying Contractor           | -  | 0412 435 459 |
|   | or | 9838 3182    |

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