

1. Policy Intention

To outline a commitment by the Shire for the broad principles of Emergency Management in the district to support the community.

2. Policy

To achieve the policy intention the Shire will, through the Chief Executive Officer –

1. ensure committees/groups are established and functioning in order to meet the Shire’s statutory emergency management responsibilities, such as –
 - Local Emergency Management Committee;
 - Local Recovery Management Committee;
 - Local Recovery Coordinating Group; and,
 appropriate representation on the District Emergency Management Committee.
2. develop and maintain emergency management arrangements that meet the Shire’s statutory emergency management responsibilities and provide for operational effectiveness, including but not limited to –
 - Local Emergency Management Plan;
 - Local Welfare Plan;
 - Local Recovery Plan;
 - Local Bushfire Management Arrangements;
 - Bushfire Risk Management Plan; and,
 - Emergency Risk Management Plan.
3. actively encourage arrangements being developed and maintained to –
 - enable business continuity preparedness, training and exercising to build and maintain individual and organisational confidence and capacity that promotes a smooth and rapid restoration of normal business functions following a disaster.
 - Support neighbouring local governments for the purpose of local and regional response and/or recovery.

Previous Policy Reference	N/A
Related Legislation	<i>Emergency Management Act 2005</i>
Related Policies	Various State Emergency Management Policies
Related Documents	Local Emergency Management Plan, Local Recovery Plan, Local Bushfire Management Arrangements, Emergency Risk Management Plan, Local Welfare Plan.
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