

# MINUTES



## ***ACT BUSHFIRE COUNCIL (BFC)***

**7 July 2010**

***ACTRFS HEADQUARTERS***

***4 POINT COOK AVENUE***

***FAIRBAIRN ACT***

**Wednesday 7 July 2010**

**AGENDA**

- 1. Opening and Introduction by Chairman**
- 2. Attendees/Apologies**
- 3. Minutes of previous meeting**
- 4. Actions running sheet**
- 5. Correspondence**
  - Incoming
  - Outgoing
- 6. Agenda Items**
  - 6.1 Report on visit to Victoria by BFC Members
  - 6.2 Review of Victorian Royal Commission Report
- 7. Other Business**
- 8. Outstanding Items/Issues**
- 9. Confirmation of next meeting**

**AGENDA ITEM:** 1 – 5

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**DATE:** 7 July 2010 1600-1800Hrs

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**LOCATION:** ASOC Fairbairn

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**Meeting Opened** Time: 1615 **Close: 1800**

**1. Welcome by Chairman**

Kevin Jeffery opened the meeting at 1615

**2. Attendees/Apologies:**

Kevin Jeffery	(KJ) Chair / Member
Marion Leiba	(ML) Member
Christine Goonrey	(CG) Member
Simon Katz	(SK) Member
Cathy Parsons	(CP) Member
Neil Cooper	(NC) Ex-officio ACT Parks Conservation and Land Management
Andrew Stark	(AS) Executive Officer - RFS Chief Officer

**Apologies:**

Tony Bartlett	(TB) Deputy Chair / Member
Tony Fearnside	(TF) Member
Kenn Batt	(KB) Member
Peter Kanowski	(PK) Member
Michael Lonergan	(MIL) Member

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**3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:**

Minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2010 meeting tabled.

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*Motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting was moved by Christine Goonrey, seconded by Marion Leiba, and carried by the meeting.*

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**4. Actions Running Sheet:**

All actions have been completed.

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**5. Correspondence**

Incoming: Letter from Minister acknowledging correspondence

Outgoing: Nil

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**AGENDA ITEM: 6.1**

**SUBJECT: Report into the BFC Field trip to Victoria**

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Seven members of the ACT BushFire Council attended a field trip to Marysville and Daylesford to assess the affected areas from the 2009 Black Saturday bushfires.

Comments from this trip included:

CG – I am very grateful for the opportunity to go on this field trip and see the devastation caused by the fires. I would not have understood it completely without seeing it first-hand. It is unbelievable how close these towns (and therefore the fires) are to Melbourne City.

SK – I concur with what Christine said and found it to be an invaluable experience.

ML – Loved being to have the map on the bonnet of the car and be able to look out at the landscape and see the real thing.

There was much discussion about the convection column collapse, the location of it and what effect it had.

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**AGENDA ITEM: 6.2**

**SUBJECT: Visit to Victoria to view areas affected by Bushfire in 2009**

A date for this visit is set for 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> of July 2010.

NC offered assistance with liaison with DSE re trip

**ACTION: BFC members to advise AS of availability to attend**

**ACTION: AS to arrange travel in consultation with KJ**

**AGENDA ITEM: 7**

**SUBJECT: Other Business**

Nil

**AGENDA ITEM: 8**

**SUBJECT: Next Meeting**

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**Time and Date of Next Meeting:**

11 August 2010 at 1600hrs at Fairbairn

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