

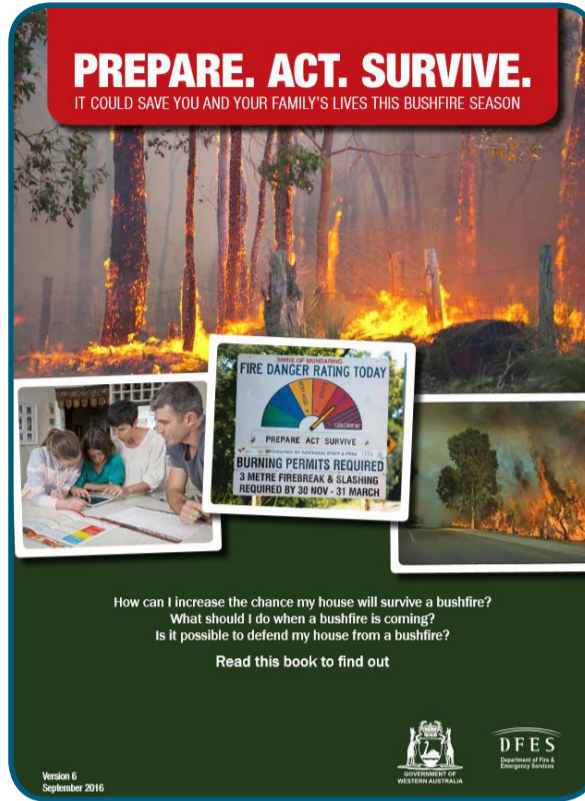


Are you Bushfire Ready?

There are many actions that can be taken throughout the year which will help prepare your property for bushfire. Preparation is the key to reducing your bushfire risk.

Here is a checklist to ensure your home stands the best chance against bushfires.

- Ensure driveway access is clear and that firebreaks have been prepared in accordance with your local fire break notice
- Make sure trees are pruned and lower branches removed
- Check that power lines are clear and use a professional contractor to remove trees and branches around power lines
- Ensure petrol and other flammable materials are stored away from your home.
- Make sure your personal and home protection equipment is in good working order.
- Overhaul your emergency pump, if you have one.
- Woodpiles and stacked timber should be stored away from the house
- Keep the grass short.
- Ensure gutters are clean and debris is removed from your roof
- Prepare your emergency kit, including your bushfire survival plan
- Water lawns, trees and shrubs near buildings to keep them green



For more information and to download bushfire preparation and survival manuals visit www.dfes.wa.gov.au

Upcoming Meetings

Ordinary Council Meeting: 4pm, Tuesday 20 December, Council Chambers

Shire of Esperance Christmas 2016 operating hours



Administration Building

December 16 - 08:30 - 12:00
December 24 - January 2 - Closed

Bay of Isles Leisure Centre

December 16 - 06:00 - 11:45
December 24 - Closed
December 25 - Closed
December 26 - Closed
December 27 - Closed
December 28 - 09:00 - 16:00
December 29 - 09:00 - 16:00
December 30 - 09:00 - 16:00
December 31 - 09:00 - 16:00
January 1 - Closed
January 2 - Closed

Esperance Public Library

December 16 - 10:00 - 12:00
December 24 - January 2 - Closed
January 3 - 12:00 - 18:00

Museum

December 24 - 27 - Closed
December 28 - 13:30 - 16:30

Wylie Bay Waste Facility

December 25 - Closed
December 26 - Closed
January 1 - 10:00 - 15:00

Esperance Civic Centre

December 25 - January 2 - Closed

Esperance Visitor Centre

December 16 - 08:00 - 12:00
December 24 - 09:00 - 16:00
December 25 - Closed
December 26 - 09:00 - 12:00
December 27 - 09:00 - 12:00
December 28 - 08:00 - 17:00
December 29 - 09:00 - 17:00
December 30 - 08:00 - 17:00
December 31 - 09:00 - 16:00
January 1 - 09:00 - 12:00
January 2 - 09:00 - 12:00

Esperance Airport

Operates as normal

Volunteer Resource Centre

December 16 - 09:00 - 12:00
December 19 - 23 - 09:00 - 12:00
December 26 - January 2 - Closed
January 3 - 31 - 09:00 - 12:00

Esperance Home Care

December 16 - 08:30 - 16:30
December 25 - 31 On Call only
January 1 - 2 - On Call only

In an Emergency

Please call:
Asset Management 0417 345 426
Esperance Home Care 9083 1800
Ranger Services 9083 1533
Chief Executive Officer 0418 924 132

For all other Emergencies

Please call 000

The Shire of Esperance wishes everyone a safe and happy festive season

Waste & Recycling Service Christmas & New Year

Kerbside Waste and Recycling days remain unchanged during the 2016 Christmas and New Year Period.

Please place your Green and Blue Bin out on your scheduled pick up day by 5am. The Recycling calendar and Green and Blue Bin Collection days are available on the Shire website www.esperance.wa.gov.au/recycling-services

Wylie Bay Waste Facility strives to take the waste out of waste by diverting as much material from landfill as possible. For further information on waste and recycling contact Waste Management Coordinator on 9071 0610.



Ordinary Council Meeting Agenda

This month's Ordinary Council Meeting will take place on Tuesday 20 December at 4pm in Council Chambers for Council to consider:

- a development application for Optus telecommunications infrastructure located in Pink Lake
- a development application for a restaurant/cafe, Downtown Espresso Bar, on Dempster St
- amending the 2016/17 Municipal Budget to accept grant funds of \$138,292, and provide an additional \$15,000 from municipal funds for the replacement and upgrading audio visual and lighting equipment at the Civic Centre
- accepting a \$49,035 grant from the Regional Airports Development Scheme (RADS) to relocate and upgrade the water bomber facility at Esperance Airport
- appointing community representatives to the Esperance Visitor Centre Management Committee
- establishing a Council Committee to act as the peak arts body in Esperance and provide additional funds for the 2017/18 financial year to extend the existing Core Arts Fund

Matters behind Closed Doors

- acquisition of a new waste management site.

To view the full agenda go to www.esperance.wa.gov.au