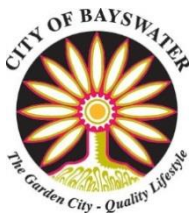


METROPOLITAN NORTH & EAST RECOVERY GROUP

PARTNERING AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF EMERGENCY RECOVERY SUPPORT

<<month>> 2022



1. PURPOSE

To establish the agreement between the participating parties for the provision of support associated with emergency recovery activities.

2. PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT

The following Local Governments are parties to this agreement.

- Town of Bassendean
- City of Bayswater
- City of Joondalup
- City of Kalamunda
- Shire of Mundaring
- City of Stirling
- City of Swan
- City of Wanneroo

3. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this agreement are to:

- To document the “goodwill and positive intent” of the partnering local governments, in relation to emergency management and recovery.
- Facilitate the provision of mutual aid and support for recovery management activities during emergencies to parties to this agreement.
- Ensure all recovery activities are conducted in accordance with *the Emergency Management Act 2005*, the *Emergency Management Regulations 2006* and the State Emergency Management Policy.
- Provide for recovery planning, utilising an “all agencies” approach, in accordance with the Local Recovery Planning Guide and the State Emergency Management Plan 2.3.

4. DEFINITIONS

Delegate means an individual allocated by Local Government make decisions on all matters affecting that Local Government’s participation at the incident.

Local Government Chairperson means the person nominated by the applicable Local Government for the relevant year, as set out in Clause 6.1.

Recovery means the support of emergency affected communities in the reconstruction and restoration of physical infrastructure, the environment and community, psychosocial and economic wellbeing.

Support Requester means the Local Government(s) seeking and/or receiving aid, support or assistance under the terms of this Agreement.

Support Provider means the Local Government(s) offering and/or providing aid, support or assistance under the provisions of this Agreement.

All other terms used within this agreement have the same meaning and intent as described in the State Emergency Management Glossary of Terms.

5. SUPPLEMENTARY DOCUMENTATION

This agreement is able to read and implemented in conjunction with any other supporting documents that have been endorsed by the relevant representatives of the parties to the agreement. These documents may relate to (but are not limited to) organisational representatives, contact details and operational response plans.

6. GOVERNANCE AND MEETINGS

6.1 The group will be chaired by a representative of the relevant Local Government, as follows:

FY ending	Party	FY ending	Party
30 June 2023	City of Bayswater	30 June 2028	City of Swan
30 June 2024	City of Joondalup	30 June 2029	City of Wanneroo
30 June 2025	City of Kalamunda	30 June 2030	Town of Bassendean
30 June 2026	Shire of Mundaring	30 June 2031	City of Bayswater
30 June 2027	City of Stirling	30 June 2032	City of Joondalup

6.2 The group will meet at least once annually (generally in September) at the civic building (or similar) of the applicable Local Government. The purpose of the meeting will be to review this Partnering Agreement and assess its relevance and suitability to the parties and other business relevant to this Agreement and its operation.

6.3 Communications in relation to this Partnering Agreement must, unless otherwise notified in writing, be addressed and forwarded as follows:

Chairperson
Metropolitan North & East Recovery Group
c/o (relevant Local Government in accordance with Clause 6.1)

7. TERMS OF AGREEMENT

7.1 That the parties will, subject to the capacity and capabilities of the parties at the given time, provide physical and human resources to assist the immediate management of emergency recovery.

7.2 All requests for, and offer of, aid are to be made be made by the relevant Chief Executive Officers (or designated delegates) of the Support Requester to the Chief Executive Officer of the Support Provider.

7.3 All offers of aid are to be made by the Chief Executive Officer (or designated delegate) of the Support Provider to the Local Recovery Coordinator (LRC) of the Support Requester.

7.4 The Incident Controller (IC) of the designated Controlling Agency is to be advised, as soon as practicable, of any offers or requests for aid during the response phase of an emergency.

7.5 Unless otherwise agreed between the relevant parties, assistance will initially be limited to a period of up to seven (7) calendar days.

7.6 Where personnel and/or equipment are provided, the Support Provider shall ensure sufficient coverage by the Support Provider's own insurance.

7.7 Unless otherwise agreed between the relevant parties, the Support Provider will be responsible for all costs associated with typical employee remuneration during the provision of support.

7.8 Unless otherwise agreed between the relevant parties, the Support Requester will be responsible for all incidental costs associated with personnel and equipment such as catering, accommodation, Occupational Health & Safety (OHS) issues, transport, fuel and storage.

8. DURATION, AMENDMENT, WITHDRAWAL AND TERMINATION

8.1 This Partnering Agreement will come into effect at the date of signing by all parties and will remain in place until 30 June 2032.

8.2 Notwithstanding Clause 8.1, this Agreement may be terminated at any time by mutual agreement of all parties in writing.

8.3 The terms of this Agreement may only be amended by agreement of all parties in writing.

8.4 Any party may withdraw from this Agreement at any time by giving three months' notice in writing to the relevant Local Government Chairperson.

8.5 In the event of one or more parties withdrawing from the agreement, the Agreement shall be amended accordingly and will be reauthorised by the remaining parties.

THIS PARTNERING AGREEMENT IS MADE BETWEEN

Town of Bassendean _____
Chief Executive Officer Date

City of Bayswater _____
Chief Executive Officer Date

City of Joondalup _____
Chief Executive Officer Date

City of Kalamunda _____
Chief Executive Officer Date

Shire of Mundaring _____
Chief Executive Officer Date

City of Stirling _____
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