Review of the Parkerville Fire

The WA State Emergency Management Committee* is conducting a review of the bushfire at Parkerville which occurred on 12 January 2014. This is being done to ensure that all of the organisations which have a role to play in preparing for bushfire, responding to a fire and helping communities recover, learn from the event and change policies and practices where needed.

It is important that the Review Team hears from community members directly. The following two questions have been prepared as a guide for those wishing to express their thoughts.

As a resident and / or business person of the area impacted upon by the fire on 12 January 2014, what part of the response to the fire and following services worked well for you?
Are there any things you consider did not work well and/or improvements you would like to suggest to the authorities.

You may wish to consider:

- Your prior knowledge of the risk of bushfire in your area and your level of preparedness
- Any warnings you may (or may not )have received before or during the fire and how useful they were
- The work of the fire fighters, police, local government and any other organisations during and after the fire
- Your experience in the evacuation process including at the evacuation centre(s)
- If you lost your home, your experience of how you were informed
- Any other matters that are relevant to you

Those wishing to participate may do so in one or more of the following ways:

1. Email the Review Team at parkervillefire@semc.wa.gov.au
2. Send written comments to Parkerville Fire Review Team, 20 Southport St, West Leederville, 6007. WA
3. Text to 0417 561 175
4. Ring the Review Team on 9482 1737 between 9.00 and 4.00 Monday to Friday

You are asked to provide your name but all information supplied to the Review will be treated in the strictest confidence and no comments will be identified.

Please note: The Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) will also be conducting research with the community affected by the Parkerville Fire. This research will involve one-on-one interviews with researchers from UWA and La Trobe University. For more information please contact Jennifer Pidgeon or Lauren McDonnell on 9395 9816.

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