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Local Emergency Management Arrangements

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Exmouth Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade	1
Exmouth Volunteer Marine Rescue	2
Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions	2
Department of Communities	2
Red Cross	2
Exmouth Hospital	2
Water Corp	1
Raytheon Fire Department (HEH)	1
Horizon Power	4
Telstra	1
Department of Transport	3
Department of Defence	1
Centacare Family Services	2
Exmouth District High School	1
St John Ambulance Exmouth	1
RAAF	1
Army	2
Australian Border Force	1
Learmonth Airport	3
Anglican Church	1
Bureau of Meteorology Learmonth	1

Amendment Record

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1	July 2008	Initial Issue	AS	
2	Nov 2014	Updated document to reflect changes in Department names and contacts	DG	
3	Feb 2016	Mandatory Review of LEMA commenced	DG	
4	Aug 2017	Update department names and review	CW	
5	Oct 2017	Complete re-write	CW	

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Glossary of Terms

Terminology used throughout this document shall have the meaning as prescribed in either Section 3 of the *Emergency Management Act2005* or as defined in the <u>State EM Glossary</u> or the <u>WA Emergency Risk Management</u> <u>Guide</u>.

District; means an area of the State that is declared to be a district under Section 2.1 *Local Government Act 1995*.

Municipality: Means the district of the local government

General acronyms used in this arrangement

CEO	Chief Executive Officer
Communities	Department of Communities
DBCA	Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions
DEMC	District Emergency Management Committee
ECC	Emergency Coordination Centre
EM	Emergency Management
DFES	Department of Fire and Emergency Services
VFRS	Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service
VBFB	Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade
НМА	Hazard Management Agency
ISG	Incident Support Group
LEC	Local Emergency Coordinator
LEMA	Local Emergency Management Arrangements
LEMC	Local Emergency Management Committee
LRC	Local Recovery Coordinator
LRCG	Local Recovery Coordination Group
SEC	State Emergency Coordinator
SEMC	State Emergency Management Committee
SES	State Emergency Service
SEWS	Standard Emergency Warning Signal
SOP	Standard Operating Procedures

Part 1: Introduction

Community consultation

These Arrangements have been prepared by the Shire of Exmouth through the Exmouth Local Emergency Management Committee (LEMC) pursuant to Section 41(1) of the Emergency Management Act 2005 (EM Act 2005) and in accordance with SEMC Policy and Procedure.

The LEMA has been provided to the members of the Exmouth Local Emergency Management Committee for their review and comment; and promotion among their networks including community groups and members. The composition of the Local Emergency Management committee is representative of the Shire of Exmouth community as a whole.

Document Availability

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Area Covered

The Shire of Exmouth is located on the North West Cape of Western Australia approximately 1267km north of Perth, 366km north of Carnarvon and 553km south east of Karratha on the coast of the Indian Ocean. It is bordered by the Shire of Carnarvon to the South and the Shire of Ashburton to the East and includes the Murion Islands (nature reserve) and is classified as 'Very Remote Australia' under the Australian Census classification of remoteness.

The Shire has an area of 6,261km² consisting of pastoral land, mining leases, Crown land, the Cape Range National Park, reserves, Commonwealth land throughout the localities of Exmouth, Learmonth, Exmouth Gulf and North West Cape with Exmouth town site being the major centre.

Being predominantly located on the North West Cape peninsula, the town site of Exmouth essentially has one route in and out for approximately 100km which makes it relatively easy for the location to become isolated in extreme weather and fire events. At the closest point, the North West Coastal Highway, the main arterial road for the North West, is 170km from Exmouth.

These Arrangements apply to the Shire of Exmouth and include the localities of Exmouth, Learmonth, North West Cape and Exmouth Gulf.

Topography

The topography and landform of the Exmouth area is dominated by Cape Range which forms the spine of the North West Cape. Cape Range itself is a prominent feature which is approximately 80 km long, 20 km wide, reaching a maximum elevation of 314 m and features limestone based deep steep sided gorges and ravines.

Caves, gorges and other karst features occur throughout the range with over 700 caves catalogued in the area and it is likely that many remain undiscovered.

Cape Range drains to the Indian Ocean and Exmouth Gulf through coastal flats on either side. Several creek beds running from Cape Range to the coast and across roads are susceptible to flash flooding during heavy rains.

The Shire of Exmouth is bordered by open-ocean to the West and North and by the Exmouth Gulf to the East. The Ningaloo Reef eco system on the West coast features shallow reefs, strong currents and dangerous breaking swells.

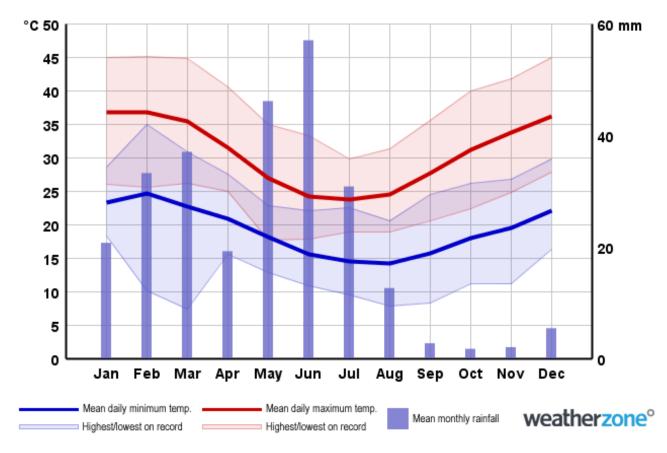
The natural vegetation throughout the district is predominantly low laying grasses, scrub and spinifex with significant trees predominantly found only within creek beds. Parts of the coastal strip and flats of the North West Cape feature marsh lands and mangroves. Many of these areas remain flooded for periods of time after heavy rains or extreme high tides including the areas around Learmonth and Bundegi.



Climate

The Shire of Exmouth district is a semi-arid area which is characterised by hot dry summers from October to April with temperatures frequently exceeding 40 degrees Celsius. By contrast winters are mild with the July average maximum and minimum temperatures being 24.0°C and 11.3°C respectively. Overnight temperatures rarely fall below 5.0°C.

Average annual rainfall in the region is 258 mm of rain per year over an average of 24.5 days which falls mostly during January to March and is associated with tropical lows and cyclones, or from May to July when tropical cloud bands originating to the northwest often bring heavy rains. Records show rainfall in excess of 300mm falling in 24 hour periods during cyclonic and other severe weather events.



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Aim

The aim of the Shire of Exmouth Local Emergency Management Arrangements is to detail emergency management arrangements for the district and ensure an understanding between agencies and stakeholders involved in managing emergencies within the Shire.

Purpose

The purpose of these Arrangements is to set out:

- The Shire of Exmouth's policies for Emergency Management;
- The roles and responsibilities of public authorities and other persons involved in emergency management in the Shire of Exmouth;
- The provisions about the coordination of emergency operations and activities relating to emergency management performed by the aforementioned persons;
- a description of emergencies that are likely to occur in the Shire of Exmouth;
- strategies and priorities for emergency management in the Shire of Exmouth;
- other matters about emergency management in the Shire of Exmouth prescribed by the regulations; and
- Other matters about emergency management in the Shire of Exmouth considered appropriate as per S.41 (2) of the Emergency Management Act 2005.

Scope

These arrangements are to ensure there are suitable plans in place to manage identified emergencies should they arise.

It is not the intent of this document to detail the procedures for Hazard Management Agencies (HMAs) who have the allocated responsibility to respond to and manage an emergency. Those procedures will be detailed in the respective HMA's specific plans.

Furthermore, these Arrangements apply to:

- The geographic location of the Shire of Exmouth
- Areas where the Shire of Exmouth provides support to HMAs in the event of an incident;
- The Shire of Exmouth's capacity to provide resources in support of an emergency, whilst still maintaining business continuity; and
- The Shire of Exmouth's responsibility in relation to recovery management.

These Arrangements are to serve as a guideline to be used at the local level. Incidents may arise that require action or assistance from district, state or federal level.

Local EM strategies and priorities

The Shire of Exmouth has identified emergency management strategies and priorities as follows

LEMA endorsed by LEMC, Council, noted by DEMC and SEMC	Review and development of compliant LEMA and LRP which is compliant with legislation; LEMA to be exercise in accordance with
Current compliant Emergency Risk Management process	Completion of Emergency Risk Management Process which complies with State EM Policy 1 and the National Emergency Risk Assessment Guidelines 2015; prioritisation and implementation of treatments
LEMCs to comply with legislation and policy	Shire of Exmouth LEMC to meet quarterly and submit annual report in accordance with State EM Policies and procedures

Local Emergency Management Policies

The Shire of Exmouth does not currently have any local emergency management policies.

Related Documents and Arrangements

Document	Owner	Location	Date
Local Welfare Plan	Department of	Communities – Geraldton	Oct 2015
	Communities		
Bushfire	Shire of Exmouth	Shire of Exmouth,	2013
Management Plan		Maidstone Cr, Exmouth	
Local Cyclone Plan	Exmouth State	Exmouth SES – Payne St	Oct 2015
	Emergency Service		
Local Tsunami Plan	Exmouth State	Exmouth SES – Payne St	Jul 2009
	Emergency Service		
Learmonth Airport	Shire of Exmouth	Shire of Exmouth,	Dec 2016
Aerodrome		Learmonth Airport	
Emergency Plan			
Exmouth Boat	Department of	DoT Exmouth – 21	Aug 2017
Harbour Cyclone	Transport (DoT)	Maidstone Cr	
Contingency Plan			
Exmouth Boat	Department of	DoT Exmouth – 21	Sep 2017
Harbour Oil Spill	Transport (DoT)	Maidstone Cr	
Plan			
Exmouth Boat	Department of	DoT Exmouth – 21	Nov 2015
Harbour Emergency	Transport (DoT)	Maidstone Cr	
Management Plan			

Exmouth Hospital	Department of Health –	Exmouth Hospital – Lyon	May 2017
Business Continuity	Exmouth	St	
Plan			
Exmouth Hospital	Department of Health -	Exmouth Hospital – Lyon	Mar 2017
Disaster Manual	Exmouth	St	
Road Crash	WAPOL	Exmouth Police Station,	
		Maidstone Cr, Exmouth	
Air Crash	WAPOL	Exmouth Police Station,	
		Maidstone Cr, Exmouth	
Land Search and	WAPOL	Exmouth Police Station,	
Rescue		Maidstone Cr, Exmouth	
Marine Search and	WAPOL	Exmouth Police Station,	
Rescue		Maidstone Cr, Exmouth	
Terrorist Incident	WAPOL	Exmouth Police Station,	
		Maidstone Cr, Exmouth	
Space Debris Re-	WAPOL	Exmouth Police Station,	
Entry		Maidstone Cr, Exmouth	
Nuclear Powered	WAPOL	Exmouth Police Station,	
Warships		Maidstone Cr, Exmouth	

Agreements, understandings and commitments

Parti	es to Agreement	Summary of Agreement
Shire of Exmouth	Communities	Mutual Support for the Provision of
		Welfare Services
Shire of Exmouth	DFES	Bush Fire Handover
Communities	IGA	Opening up after hours to provide food
		for the welfare centre
Shires of Ashburton, East Pilbara, Exmouth, City of Karratha & Town of Port Hedland		Memorandum of Understanding for provision of mutual aid during emergencies and post incident recovery
Shire of Exmouth Raytheon Fire		Assistance with fires North of Town

Special considerations

Defence capabilities

The Shire of Exmouth hosts an Airforce base and a Naval base with Defence lands comprising nearly 10% of the Shire.

For any emergency incident within the Shire of Exmouth where the scale of the emergency or disaster exceeds or exhausts the response capacity and capabilities (government, community and/or commercial) of the State or where resources cannot be mobilised in sufficient time, they may request Commonwealth assistance including from Defence in accordance with State Emergency Management Response Policy 5.10 *Interstate Assistance* and State Emergency Management Response Procedure 20 *Australian Government Physical Assistance*.

The primary Defence point of contact within the Shire of Exmouth for emergency Defence Assistance to the Civil Community (DACC) enquiries is the ADF Liaison Officer (ADFLO) on the LEMC contact List located in Appendix 6

Isolation / Transport Networks

Exmouth has a single two lane sealed transport route, being the Minilya-Exmouth Road, servicing the town from the North West Coastal Highway which is located 170km South East via Burkett Road or 220km South. The sealed road link which connects Learmonth to Exmouth and the rest of the state is particularly vulnerable to being cut-off for a period following heavy rain.

To the north of Exmouth, one unmarked two lane sealed roads connects the town to the Cape Range National and the many beaches that form part of the Ningaloo Coast World Heritage area.

One major airport at Learmonth services daily commercial flights to and from Perth. An aircraft landing area at the Exmouth Aerodrome approximately 13km south of the Exmouth town houses a range of fixed wing and rotary aircraft which primarily service the resource and tourism industries throughout the greater region. Two other Aircraft Landing Areas can be located at Ningaloo Station to the south of the district and Yardie Homestead Caravan Park on the west side of the Cape Range.

There are three boat ramps with walkways and jetties within the district at the Exmouth Boat Harbour, Bundegi Beach and Tantabiddi which are all capable of servicing trailer able vessels. The Exmouth Boat Harbour is a busy commercial harbour which is utilised by large commercial vessels.

High risk periods:

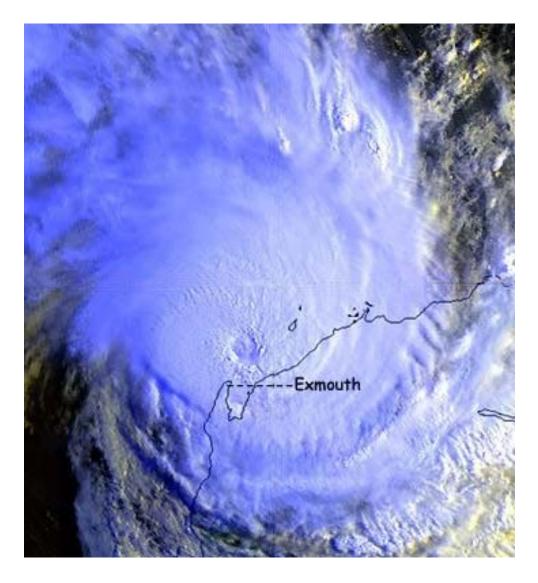
1. Cyclone Season: 1 November until 30 April of each year

The North West of Western Australia is in an area susceptible to Tropical Cyclones with the Shire of Exmouth being directly affected by cyclones on numerous occasions and are most common in February and March (75 % of occurrences). Severe Tropical Cyclone Vance (1999) made direct impact with Exmouth where the recorded wind speeds of 267 km/h remain the highest ever recorded on mainland Australia.

2. Bush fire season: 1 October until 30 April of each year

The dry and arid environment essentially gives Exmouth a 12 month bush fire season with the summer months being of greater concern with high winds and soaring temperatures.

The coastal heath and grasslands have a high oil content and when preheated and driven by strong wind will move wildfire at incredible speeds burning fast and also very hot.



High risk locations:

- 1. Cape Range National Park terrain/flooding/isolation
- 2. Wilderness Estate Fire risk
- 3. Learmonth Airport Isolation risk
- 4. Exmouth Harbour/Marina Canals Flood risk

Large public events:

- 1. Whaleshark Festival (Late May)
- 2. GAMEX (Late March)

Tourist periods & locations:

Tourist Season – March to October Peak Tourist periods;

- Easter/April School Holidays
- July School Holidays
- October School Holidays

Popular locations:

- Exmouth town site
- Cape Range National Park
- Pastoral Stations
- Ningaloo Marine Park and surrounding waters
- Jurabi and Bundegi Coastal Parks



Critical infrastructure

Item	Location	Owner	Contact	Community Impact Description
Power Station	Welch St, Exmouth	Horizon Powe	•	Loss of power supply resulting in economic and health impacts on the community
Sewerage Works	Willersdorf Road, Exmouth	Watercorp		Environmental health impacts
Water Supply	Exmouth Bore Field, immediately west of Exmouth town	Watercorp		Loss of water resulting in public health and hygiene impacts on the community
Fuel Storage	Multiple Locations (Refer Exmouth Emergency Resource Register)	Multiple owners		Loss of fuel supply resulting in inability to supply the community and industry
Learmonth Airport	Minilya-Exmouth Rd, Learmonth	Shire c Exmouth	f 9949 3000	Loss of transport and evacuation routes; economic impact to industry and tourism
Exmouth Aerodrome	13km south of Exmouth town along the Minilya- Exmouth Rd	Shire c Exmouth	f 9949 3000	Loss of transport and evacuation routes. Economic impact to industry and tourism.
Minilya- Exmouth Road		MRWA		Loss of access to the community, evacuation routes and supply routes
Exmouth Boat Harbour		DoT		Economic impact to industry and tourism; Loss of evacuation and supply routes
Bridge, Horwood Quays	Horwood Quays, Exmouth Marina Village	Shire c Exmouth	f 9949 1699	Loss of access to sections of the community
Telstra Tower	Maidstone Cr, Exmouth rear Post Office	Telstra		Loss of communications
Yardie Creek Road		Shire c Exmouth	f 9949 1699	Loss of access to the popular tourist locations which can result in economic impacts; Loss of access to sections of the community and their evacuation route
North West Coastal Highway	Approx 170km south of Exmouth	MRWA		Loss of access to the community, evacuation routes and supply routes
Exmouth Hospital	Lyon St, Exmouth	Department c Health	f	Loss of emergency health care services

Utilities Profile

Being in a remote corner of Western Australia, the Shire of Exmouth is not serviced by the usual utilities found elsewhere. The main utilities are;

• *Electricity* – The electrical supply consists of a gas powered generation station in the town of Exmouth. Gas is supplied by road trains which decant gas from the Dampier-Bunbury pipeline at a station on the North West Coastal Highway, 60km south of Nanutarra and about 230km from Exmouth. Road closures have the ability to disrupt this supply.

A significant percentage of the power grid is above ground pole/wire and is prone to damage in cyclones.

The Harold E Hold Naval Communication Station operates its own diesel generators and is not connected to the town grid while RAAF Base Learmonth does feed from the grid but does have a backup power supply.

- *Water* The Water Corporation operates a bore field in the ranges to the west of Exmouth where water is pumped into a tank for chlorination/Fluoridation before being pumped into the supply grid. The bore pumps are electric and rely on the town power supply to operate with limited generator capacity.
- Mobile Communication Network The Telstra mobile network covers the east side of the cape from the northern tip (Vlamingh Head) to about 15km south of RAAF Base Learmonth or approximately 60km south of Exmouth. Other networks are essentially restricted to the actual town site of Exmouth and some networks do not even receive coverage. There is limited mobile reception on the west side of the cape.

Economy

The main local industries are tourism, prawning, fishing, pastoral, light engineering, building and construction, Defence, Oil and Gas and Government services. Woodside, Quadrant Energy and BHP Billiton have Floating Production Storage and Offtake (FPSO) facilities off the North West Cape. The area's major employers are Raytheon, the Department of Defence, the Department of Parks and Wildlife, the Shire of Exmouth, Kailis Fisheries, Exmouth Hospital and tourism operators.

Population

The Shire of Exmouth has a resident population of 2713 people with 2290 dwellings (ABS 27 June 2016), although it can be seen as very transient with many people not living in the district for long periods. This can limit the availability and knowledge of trained local emergency service volunteers.

During the peak holiday times, many of the permanent residents of Exmouth may take periods of leave away from the district which again can lessen the availability of local emergency service volunteers.

Whilst Exmouth is the central hub of the Shire, there are a number of scattered and isolated population locations throughout the district with permanent residents living in the Wilderness Estate, Exmouth Aerodrome, Yardie Creek Caravan Park the Lighthouse Caravan Park at Kailis the Solar Observatory and also on Pastoral Stations.

In peak tourist times of April to October the population can swell to approximately 6000 with many of these visitors towing caravans, boats or trailers. The Ningaloo World Heritage Cape Range National Park and the Ningaloo Marine Park are the biggest tourism draw cards for Exmouth with most visitors coming for the excellent fishing, snorkelling and diving on a seasonal basis.

Pastoral Stations offer camping and accommodation while the Cape Range National Park contains several camping areas. These can be relatively remote and have limited lines of communication.

Coral Bay, while not in the Shire of Exmouth, is 155km south of Exmouth and does not have a school. Subsequently, students commute daily to Exmouth by bus to attend the Exmouth District High School which caters from students Kindergarten to year 12.

The number of students fluctuates regularly from around 5 to 35 on two small busses.



Resources

The Shire of Exmouth has limited Earthmoving equipment and resources all of which are listed in the resource register (Appendix 1)

In a large scale emergency incident /recovery event the Shire would rely on a number of local contractors who are summarised in the following table.

Company	Contact Details	Machinery Type
Cape Water Cart	9949 2310	Some Loader / Grader options
& Landscaping	Lot 900 Patterson Way	
Exmouth Civil	9949 2000	Multiple Loaders Graders and
	15 Ingram Street Exmouth	Earthmoving Equipment
Exmouth Crane	9949 2080	Various cranes and ancillary
and Truck Hire	41 Koolinda Way Exmouth	equipment
Exmouth Freight	9949 2168	Trucks and ancillary equipment
	35 Ingram Street Exmouth	
Exmouth Hire	9949 2634	Earthmoving and various
	Lot 50 Maley Street Exmouth	machinery
Exmouth	0419 044 108	Earthmoving
Quarries and	24 Pelias Street Exmouth	
Concrete		
Jackhaul	9949 4286	Heavy Haulage trucks and
	102 Ingram Street Exmouth	Earthmoving equipment
Norcape Handy	0419 930 214	Earthmoving/Civil Hire
Hire	6 Huston Street	

In addition Appendix 1 lists the resources available in the following categories.

Accommodation, Aircraft/Airstrips, Auto Electricians, Banks, Catering, Communication Equipment, Defence Force contacts, Electricians, Emergency services, Fuel, Liquid Waste disposal, Marine services, Mechanics, Media, Medical, Plumbers, Police Services, Telecommunications, Tree loppers, Vehicle Hire (car, bus and truck), Vehicle towing and wildlife emergencies

Part 2 Roles and Responsibilities

Local role	Description of responsibilities
Local government	The responsibilities of the Shire of Exmouth are defined in Section 36 of the EM Act.
Local emergency coordinator	The responsibilities of the LEC are defined in Section 37 of the EM Act.
Local recovery coordinator	To ensure the development and maintenance of effective recovery management arrangements for the local government. In conjunction with the local recovery coordinating group to implement a post incident recovery action plan and manage the recovery phase of the incident.
LG welfare liaison officer	During an evacuation where a local government facility is utilised by Department of Communities provide advice, information and resources regarding the operation of the facility.
LG liaison officer (to the ISG/IMT)	During a major emergency the liaison officer attends ISG meetings to represent the local government, provides local knowledge input and provides details contained in the LEMA.
Local Government- Incident management	Ensure planning and preparation for emergencies is undertaken. Implement procedures that assist the community and emergency services deal with incidents. Ensure that all personnel with emergency planning and preparation, response and recovery responsibilities are properly trained in their role. Keep appropriate records of incidents that have occurred to ensure continual improvement of the Shires emergency response capability. Liaise with the incident controller (provide liaison officer) Participate in the ISG and provide local support Where an identified evacuation centre is a building owned and operated by the local government, provide a liaison officer to support the Department of Communities.

Local roles and responsibilities

LEMC Roles and Responsibilities

The Shire of Exmouth has established a Local Emergency Management Committee (LEMC) under Section 38(1) of the <u>EM Act</u> to oversee, plan and test the local emergency management arrangements.

The LEMC includes representatives from agencies, organisations and community groups that are relevant to the identified risks and emergency management arrangements for the community.

The LEMC is not an operational committee but rather the organisation established by the local government to assist in the development of local emergency management arrangements for its district.

The LEMC plays a vital role in assisting our communities become more prepared for major emergencies by

- Developing, enhancing and testing preparedness planning from a multi-agency perspective having local knowledge of hazards, demographic and geographic issues; they provide advice to Hazard Management Agencies to develop effective localised hazard plans
- providing a multi-agency forum to analyse and treat local risk
- providing a forum for multi-agency stakeholders to share issues and learnings to ensure continuous improvement.

The LEMC membership must include at least one local government representative and the Local Emergency Coordinator. Relevant government agencies and other statutory authorities will nominate their representatives to be members of LEMC The term of appointment of LEMC members shall be determined by the local government in consultation with the parent organisation of the members.

Local role	Description of responsibilities
LEMC Chair	Provide leadership and support to the LEMC to ensure effective meetings and high levels of emergency management planning and preparedness for the local government district is undertaken.
LEMC Executive Officer	Provide executive support to LEMC by: Provide secretariat support including: Meeting agenda; Minutes and action lists; Correspondence; Committee membership contact register; Coordinate the development and submission of committee documents in accordance with legislative and policy requirements including; Annual Report; Annual Business Plan; Local Emergency Management Arrangements; Facilitate the provision of relevant emergency management advice to the Chair and committee as required; and Participate as a member of sub-committees and working groups as required



Agency roles and responsibilities

In the event of an emergency, the local government will need to liaise with a range of state agencies who will be involved in the operational aspects of the emergency. The following table summarises the key roles.

Agency	Description of Responsibilities				
Roles					
Controlling Agency	A Controlling Agency is an agency nominated to control the response activities to a specified type of emergency. The function of a Controlling Agency is to; Undertake all responsibilities as prescribed in Agency specific legislation for Prevention and Preparedness. Control all aspects of the response to an incident. During Recovery the Controlling Agency will ensure effective transition to recovery				
Hazard Management Agency	A hazard management agency is 'to be a public authority or other person who or which, because of that agency's functions under any written law or specialised knowledge, expertise and resources, is responsible for emergency management, or the prescribed emergency Management aspect, in the area prescribed of the hazard for which it is prescribed.' [EM Act 2005 s4] The HMAs are prescribed in the <u>Emergency Management</u> <u>Regulations 2006.</u> Their function is to: Undertake responsibilities where prescribed for these aspects [EM Regulations] Appoint Hazard Management Officers [s55 Act] Declare / revoke emergency situation [s 50 & 53 Act] Coordinate the development of the Westplan for that hazard [State EM Policy Section 1.5] Ensure effective transition to recovery by local government				
Combat Agency	A Combat Agency as prescribed under subsection (1) of the <i>Emergency Management Act2005</i> is to be a public authority or other person who or which, because of the agency's functions under any written law or specialised knowledge, expertise and resources, is responsible for performing an emergency management activity prescribed by the regulations in relation to that agency.				
Support Organisation	A public authority or other person who or which, because of the agency's functions under any written law or specialised knowledge, expertise and resources is responsible for providing support functions in relation to that agency. (State EM Glossary)				

Part 3: Managing Risk

Emergency Risk Management

Risk management is a critical component of the emergency management process. Building a sound understanding of the hazards and risks likely to impact the community enable local governments and LEMCs to work together to implement treatments. This process helps to build the capacity and resilience of the community and organisations which enable them to better prepare for, respond to and recover from a major emergency. The process and mandate for local governments to undertake risk management is detailed in State EM Policy Section 3.2.

Risk Assessment

The Shire of Exmouth facilitates an on-going emergency risk management program which assesses the possible risks the identified hazards pose.

Description of emergencies likely to occur:

Hazard	Controlling Agency	НМА	Local Combat Role	Local Support Role	WESTPLAN	Local Plan (Date)

These arrangements are based on the premise that the Controlling Agency is responsible for the above risks and will develop, test and review appropriate emergency management plans for their hazard.

The identified hazards, risk treatments and methodology are found at Appendix 2 CCRM plan.

Coordination of emergency operations

It is recognised that the HMAs and combat agencies may require local government resources and assistance in emergency management. The Shire of Exmouth is committed to providing assistance/support if the required resources are available through the Incident Support Group when and if formed.

Incident support group (ISG)

The ISG is convened by the Controlling Agency appointed Incident Controller to assist in the overall coordination of services and information during a major incident. Coordination is achieved through clear identification of priorities by agencies sharing information and resources.

The role of the ISG is to provide support to the incident management team. The ISG is a group of people represented by the different agencies who may have involvement in the incident.

Triggers for an ISG

The triggers for an incident support group are defined in State EM Policy Statement 5.2.2 and State EM P Plan Section 5.1. These are;

- where an incident is designated as Level 2 or higher;
- multiple agencies need to be coordinated

Membership of an ISG

The Incident Support Group is made up of agencies' representatives that provide support to the Controlling Agency. Emergency Management Agencies may be called on to be liaison officers on the Incident Support Group.

The local recovery coordinator should be a member of the ISG from the onset, to ensure consistency of information flow, situational awareness and handover to recovery.

The representation on this group may change regularly depending upon the nature of the incident, agencies involved and the consequences caused by the emergency.

Agencies supplying staff for the ISG must ensure that the representative(s) have the authority to commit resources and/or direct tasks

Frequency of Meetings

The frequency of meetings will be determined by the Incident Controller and will generally depend on the nature and complexity of the incident. As a minimum, there should be at least one meeting per incident. Coordination is achieved through clear identification of priorities and objectives by agencies sharing information and resources.

Location of ISG Meetings

The Incident Support Group meets during an emergency and provides a focal point for a coordinated approach.

The following table identifies suitable locations where it can meet within the District.

Facility	Responsible Agency	Address	Contact Details	
Exmouth SES	Exmouth SES	19 Payne St,	Exmouth SES Unit	
Headquarters		Exmouth	Manager	
			Kasey Steer	
			0437 961 994	
Exmouth Police	WAPOL	Maidstone Cr,	OIC Exmouth Police	
Station		Exmouth	08 9947 8700	
Learmonth	Shire of Exmouth	Minilya-Exmouth Rd,	Learmonth Airport	
Airport		Learmonth	08 9949 1326	
Conference Room				

Media Management and Public Information

This policy governs the actions of all Shire of Exmouth staff and LEMC members when dealing with the media in relation to an emergency incident.

Its purpose is to ensure a professional and consistent approach is taken by staff and LEMC members, in relation to external communications, through the maintenance of positive media relationships.

In the first instance the Hazard Management Agency (HMA) is responsible for managing the media in relation to the emergency incident.

Shire staff and LEMC members will refer media inquiries to the HMA and not comment on the incident unless they are:

- authorised by the Controlling Agency / HMA; or
- providing information as directed or related to local government's functions or responsibilities.

Media relations:

- Media representatives are to be treated with courtesy and respect;
- All media calls are to be returned as soon as possible;
- All media releases from the Exmouth LEMC or Council must go through the Shire of Exmouth approval process prior to release; and
- Media releases must be consistent with other internal and external communications.

Public Information & Community Warning Systems

State based public information and community warning systems will be used as required to alert and inform the community about an emergency incident.

The State based systems and local systems that may be utilised within the district are listed at Appendix 4: Public Information & Community Warning Systems.

Finance Arrangements

State EM Policy Section 5.12, State EM Plan Section 5.4 and 6.10 and State EM Recovery Procedures 1-2) outlines the responsibilities for funding during multi- agency emergencies. While recognising the above, the Shire of Exmouth is committed to expending such necessary funds within its current budgetary constraints as required to ensure the safety of its residents and visitors. The Chief Executive Officer should be approached immediately an emergency event requiring resourcing by the Shire of Exmouth occurs to ensure the desired level of support is achieved.

Community Evacuation

Comprehensive emergency management planning should involve planning for community evacuations. Although the actual act of evacuating a community is the responsibility of the Controlling Agency, the local government with the assistance of its LEMC has clear responsibilities to undertake pre emergency evacuation planning.

A comprehensive evacuation plan is of considerable value to all agencies with a role in evacuation and can be very effective in assisting the controlling agency to make timely and informed decisions. Consideration also needs to be given to receiving evacuees from other local governments.



Vulnerable Groups - Special Needs Groups

The identification of and planning for people within the district who may be vulnerable and/or have special needs is required to allow for specific planning to assist them in times of emergency. An emergency may impact their ability to cope with an emergency event.

A list of Vulnerable and/or Special Needs Groups who reside within or visit the District is provided at Appendix 5.

Routes and Maps

The Shire of Exmouth has a single two lane sealed transport route, being the Minilya-Exmouth Road, servicing the town from the North West Coastal Highway which is located 170km South East via Burkett Road or 220km South. The sealed road link which connects Learmonth to Exmouth and the rest of the state is particularly vulnerable to being cut-off for a period following heavy rain.

To the North of Exmouth, one unmarked two lane sealed roads connects the town to the Cape Range National and the many beaches that fall part of the Ningaloo Coast World Heritage area.

One major airport at Learmonth services daily commercial flights to and from Perth. An aircraft landing area at the Exmouth Aerodrome approximately 13km south of the Exmouth town houses a range of fixed wing and rotary aircraft which primarily service the resource and tourism industries throughout the greater region. Two other Aircraft Landing Areas can be located at Ningaloo Station to the south of the district and Yardie Homestead Caravan Park on the west side of the Cape Range.

There are three boat ramps with walkways and jetties within the district at the Exmouth Harbour, Bundegi Beach and Tantabiddi which are all capable of servicing trailer able vessels. The Exmouth Harbour is a busy commercial harbour which is utilised by large commercial vessels.

A map of the Shire and of the Exmouth Town site is provided at Appendix 7

Part 4 Welfare

The Department of Communities has the role of managing welfare. The Department of Communities have developed a local Welfare Emergency Management Plan for The Shire of Exmouth.

The plan is available from the Shire of Exmouth or the Department of Communities, Geraldton.

Local Welfare Coordinator

The Local Welfare Coordinator is appointed by the Department of Communities District Director to

- Establish, chair and manage the activities of the Local Welfare Emergency Committee (LWEC), where determined appropriate by the District Director;
- Prepare, promulgate, test and maintain the Local Welfare Plans;
- Represent the department and the emergency welfare function on the Local Emergency Management Committee and Local Recovery Committee;
- Establish and maintain the Local Welfare Emergency Coordination Centre;
- Ensure personnel and organisations are trained and exercised in their welfare responsibilities;
- Coordinate the provision of emergency welfare services during response and recovery phases of an emergency; and
- Represent the department on the Incident Management Group when required

The Department of Communities will appoint a local welfare coordinator - contact details available in the LEMC contact list at Appendix 6

Local Welfare Liaison Officer

The Local Welfare Liaison Officer is nominated by the local government to coordinate welfare response during emergencies and liaise with the Local Welfare Coordinator. Local government should appoint a liaison officer. This role will provide assistance to the Local Welfare Centre, including the management of emergency evacuation centres such as building opening, closing, security and maintenance.

It is important to identify the initial arrangements for welfare to occur, particularly in remote areas, where it may take some time for the Department of Communities to arrive.

	Role	Position	Contact Details
1 st Call	ISG Liaison	Compliance and Emergency	Wk: 9949 1699
		Services Coordinator	Mob: 0427 491 399
2 nd Call	ISG Liaison	Works Coordinator	Wk: 9949 1699
			Mob: 0417 177 302
1 st Call	Local Welfare Liaison	Compliance and Emergency	Wk: 9949 1699
		Services Coordinator	Mob: 0427 491 399
2 nd Call	Local Welfare Liaison	Works Coordinator	Wk: 9949 1699
			Mob: 0417 177 302

The following local government officers are endorsed to represent and undertake actions on behalf of the Shire of Exmouth:

Register.Find.Reunite

When a large scale emergency occurs and people are evacuated or become displaced, one of the areas the Department of Communities has responsibility for is recording who has been displaced and placing the information onto a National Register.

This primarily allows friends or relatives to locate each other. Because of the nature of the work involved the Department of Communities have reciprocal arrangements with the Red Cross to assist with the registration process.

Contact details for the Exmouth Red Cross unit are available in the LEMC contact list at Appendix 6

Preparing your pets and animals for evacuation

The Shire of Exmouth advises to prepare for your pets as well as your family. Animals, other than assistance animals, are not allowed at welfare centres.

The Shire's website contains information regarding animal welfare during emergency incidents.

Welfare and Evacuation Centre Facilities

For more detailed information on each facility, refer to the Department of Communities Shire of Exmouth Local Emergency Management Plan for the Provision of Welfare Support.

Designated welfare evacuation centres:

Facility	Location	Contact	Capacity
Shire of Exmouth	Maidstone Crescent	Shire of Exmouth	Approx 200
Hall	next to Shire	9949 3000	
	Administration Centre		
Exmouth	Wilersdorf Rd, between	Shire of Exmouth	Approx 180
Recreation	Koobooroo and	9949 3000	
Centre	Talanjee Ovals		
Learmonth Airport	Minilya-Exmouth Road,	9949 1326	Airport
Learmonth			-

NB: Exmouth Recreation Centre is prone to flooding so facility not to be used if the event is water-related.

Part 5: Recovery

Aim of Recovery

The aim of recovery is to allow the community to return to normal social and economic activities, and to physically re-establish as soon as possible. At the same time actions should be taken to prevent the future occurrence of emergencies by noting opportunities that arise to make improvements within the community.

The Shire of Exmouth has developed a local recovery plan that complements the Local Emergency Management Arrangements.

Local Recovery Coordinator

The Shire of Exmouth has nominated the Deputy Chief Executive Officer as the Local Recovery Coordinator with contact details available at the LEMC members contact list at Appendix 6

Local Recovery Coordinators are to advise and assist local government and coordinate local recovery activities as outlined in State EM Policy Section 6, State EM Plan Section 6 and State EM Recovery Procedures 1-4.



Part 6: Exercising, reviewing and reporting

Exercises

The Shire of Exmouth is to ensure an exercise is conducted annually to test either the whole or part of the LEMA as per State EM Policy Section 4.8, State EM Plan 4.7.

It may be done in conjunction with emergency management agencies testing their response or support plans.

The aim of exercising

Testing and exercising is essential to ensure that emergency management arrangements are workable and effective. Testing and exercising is important to ensure individuals and organisations remain aware of what is required of them during an emergency response situation.

The exercising of a HMA's response to an incident is a HMA responsibility however it could be incorporated into the LEMC exercise.

Exercising the emergency management arrangements will allow the LEMC to:

- Test the effectiveness of the local arrangements
- Bring together members of emergency management agencies and give them knowledge of, and confidence in, their roles and responsibilities
- Help educate the community about local arrangements and programs
- Allow participating agencies an opportunity to test their operational procedures and skills in simulated emergency conditions
- Test the ability of separate agencies to work together on common tasks, and to assess effectiveness of co-ordination between them.

Frequency of exercises

State EM Policy Section 4.8, State EM Plan 4.7 and State EM Preparedness Procedure 19 outline the State's arrangements for EM exercising, including the requirement for LEMCs to exercise their arrangements on at least an annual basis.

Types of exercises

Some examples of exercise types include:

- desktop/discussion;
- a phone tree recall exercise;
- opening and closing procedures for evacuation centres or any facilities that might be operating in an emergency;

- operating procedures of an Emergency Coordination Centre; or
- locating and activating resources on the Emergency Resources Register.

Reporting of exercises

The Exmouth LEMC reports their exercise schedule to the Pilbara DEMC by the 1st May each year for inclusion in the DEMC report to the Exercise Management Advisory Group (EMAG).

Once the exercises have been completed, post exercise reports will be forwarded to the DEMC to be included in reporting for the SEMC annual report.



Review

The Local Emergency Management Arrangements (LEMA) shall be reviewed in accordance with State EM Preparedness Procedure 8 *Local Emergency Management Arrangements*.

According to State EM Preparedness Procedure 8, the LEMA (including recovery plans) are to be reviewed and amended as follows:

- contact lists are reviewed and updated quarterly (<u>Refer to Appendix 6 –</u> <u>Contacts</u>);
- after an event of incident requiring the activation of an incident support group or after an incident requiring significant recovery coordination;

- an entire review is undertaken every five (5) years, as risks might vary due to climate, environment and population changes; and
- whenever the local government considers it appropriate.

If a major review takes place, the full approval process is required. If the amendments are minor, the local government is to make amendments and ensure that these are distributed to members of its LEMC, DEMC and OEM.

Review of Local Emergency Management Committee Positions

The Shire of Exmouth in consultation with the parent organisation of members shall determine the term and composition of LEMC positions.

Review of resource register

The Executive Officer shall have the resources register checked and updated on an annual basis, ongoing amendments occur at each LEMC meeting.

Annual Reporting

The annual report of LEMC is to be completed and submitted to the DEMC within two (2) weeks of the end of the financial year for which the annual report is prepared.

The LEMC is required to submit a signed hard copy of the annual report to the Executive Officer of the DEMC.

The information provided by the LEMC annual report is collated into the SEMC and Office of Emergency Management Annual Report which is tabled in Parliament.

The SEMC issue the annual report template.

Part7: Appendices

Appendix 1: Exmouth Emergency Resource Register

This information is restricted to operational officers only and is updated annually prior to the cyclone season.

Appendix 2: Shire of Exmouth Risk Register

Risk #	RISK SOURCE	RISK STATEMENT	Likelihood	Consequence	Level	Priority	Confidence
1	ROAD TRANSPORT EMERGENCY	There is a risk that if a road transport emergency occurred, people in the accident may be seriously injured or killed. Other road users may be involved, with possible injuries and /or deaths. Toxic fumes from chemicals and hazardous material spills and/or subsequent fires etc. may cause people with respiratory issues or other health conditions to become ill in surrounding areas. Emergency response personnel are also at risk of injury or death in the event of an unforeseen explosion/s whilst attending to the injured, spillages and fires. Major arterial routes include Exmouth Minilya Rd and many roads to communities and stations. There is also a network of 160 km's of sealed and 300 km of unsealed roads in the shire that service many communities, stations, farms and mining settlements. The user mix is from heavy haulage, commuter and tourist buses, and 4WD and passenger vehicles.	Almost Certain	Major	Extreme	1	High
2	CYCLONE	There is a risk that if a cyclone occurred, it may cause injury or death to people . People residing in coastal areas such as at Exmouth and the DBCA camp park reserves, hostels, schools, may require assistance. Some people may be stranded and displaced. With many pets may be homeless or killed. People living in remote coastal and low laying coastal areas are most at risk from the force of wind, rain and possible storm surge from the natural weather event. Industries or tourists are at risk if they are at sea and should move to a saver locational or secure harbour before the onset of strong winds and swells.	Almost Certain	Major	Extreme	2	High

3	BUSH FIRE	There is a risk that if a bushfire occurred, it may cause injury or death to people . People residing in bush land areas anywhere in the Shire are at risk and may require assistance, smoking embers, dirt and dust may litter the Shire of Exmouth causing an onset of respiratory conditions and increased demand on medical services. Medication supplies could run out. Some people may be stranded in areas that have poor emergency egress and those on walking and riding trails. Tourist may become stranded and disorientated with Emergency Services having no Knowledge of them or their location.	Likely	Major	High	3	High
4	URBAN FIRE	There is a risk that if urban fire occurred in any of the communities within the Exmouth Shire, high density or buildings such as day care centres, pre-school, schools, care facilities, sporting complexes and shopping centres, injury or multiple deaths may occur, and many pets may be homeless or killed. Toxic fumes from the fires may cause people with respiratory issues or other health conditions to become ill in surrounding areas Survivors would be displaced and emergency service personnel in attendance may be at risk of injury or death from fighting the fire and entering unsafe properties and buildings.	Likely	Moderate	High	4	High
5	BUSH FIRE	There is a risk that if a bushfire occurred, large areas of natural environment may be destroyed. The Shire of Exmouth has approximately 6500 sq. kilometres of bush land within the region. Widespread environmental damage may destroy flora and fauna Unallocated Crown Lands, privately owned lands and the Cape Range National Park. Animals and wildlife may become homeless damaging the ecosystem; in some cases this may not be recoverable due to the nature of a catastrophic fire. Many years of a coordinated recovery response from environmental agencies would be needed to return the bushlands to pre-fire condition if possible. Station owners are without feed.	Likely	Major	High	5	Medium

6	CYCLONE	There is a risk that if a cyclone occurred, large areas of natural environment may be destroyed. Exmouth has approximately 6500 sq. kilometres of bush land within the region in addition to marine. Widespread environmental damage may destroy flora and fauna Unallocated Crown Lands, privately owned lands and the Cape Range National Park. Animals and wildlife may become homeless damaging the ecosystem, in some cases this may not be recoverable due to the natural of a damage that could be caused by a high end category 5 storm. Many years of a coordinated recovery response from environmental agencies would be needed return the bushlands to pre-cyclone condition if possible.	Likely	Major	High	6	High
7	FLOODING	There is a risk of contaminants and/or pollutants, loss of soils caused by a flood emergency may impact on industry responsible for the production of the products, chemicals, fertilizer, agriculture, etc., which produce these products in the environment in the Exmouth Shire. Industries may be severely impacted as the emergency may force temporary closures and cease of production.	Likely	Major	High	7	High
8	BUSH FIRE	There is a risk to the economy with and some parts externally to the Shire of Exmouth from a catastrophic bush fire. Most segments of the commercial enterprises would be affected by the community dislocation that maybe the result of a bush fire of this magnitude. Direct loses would be those that rely of the feed from the lands that have been burnt, eco businesses, including the Cape Range National Park. Town water supply may also be compromised again. Person involved with livestock may be force to adjust their animals or buy in feeds to sustain those animals.	Likely	Major	High	8	High

9	CYCLONE	There is a risk that if a cyclone occurred, it may cause disruption to the economy . People residing in coastal areas and inland areas, hostels, aged care facilities, schools or retirement villages, may require assistance. Some people may be stranded and displaced. The impact of a cyclone in the district would restrict the movement of people, freight, tourists, industry operations, plantation operations, market garden operation and all commercial / government enterprises. This may place stress on the economic welfare of the community structure.	Likely	Major	High	9	Medium
10	MARINE SEARCH	There is a risk that if a marine search occurred, it could be as a result in the loss of people injury, or illness to those that are missing and place those that search at risk of death, injury or illness. Person(s) or objects go missing on a regular basis and depending on the needs to recover those persons or objects; Police will coordinate a search from Exmouth. People that are sick, not from the area (Tourists) are most vulnerable. The region is a tourist destination and in season have a high number of people in places of interest to them. A problem is that we do not know where they are. People and their craft have mechanical problems that require them to be recovered.	Likely Moderate High			10	Medium
11	BUSH FIRE	There is a risk to public administration in the Shire of Exmouth if a severe bushfire impacted and the community was not readily prepared. The community needs to reduce the number of items in the community that become fuel for fire. The Shire in its response to the hazard, along with agencies would be stretched to provide only Critical Business Functions when enacting its Business Continuity Business Management Plan. Shire premises would be at risk along with employees that have been diverted to manage the operation and recovery. This stretches resources because the fire operation and recovery would be covering all hours of operational functionality. Many	Likely	Moderate	High	11	High

		Shire premises would need to be manned to accommodate displaced person and domestic animals.					
12	CYCLONE	There is a risk to public administration in the Shire of Exmouth if a cyclone impacted and the community was not readily prepared. The community needs to reduce the number of items in the community that become projectiles. The Shire in its response to the hazard, along with agencies would be stretched to provide only Critical Business Functions when enacting its Business Continuity Business Management Plan. Shire premises would be at risk along with employees that have been diverted to manage the operation. This to stretches resources because the fire would be covering all hours of operational functionality. Many Shire premises would need to be manned to accommodate displaced person and animals.	Likely	Moderate	High	12	High
13	CYCLONE	There is a risk that if a cyclone emergency occurred, social setting aspects of the community may be impacted in terms of road closures, inaccessibility to certain public buildings and open spaces. People may be hindered or prevented from returning home, accessing schools and returning children home, major and minor roads closed. People would be stressed about the inability to gain access to their homes and animals. Industries would be affected by the inability to function normally causing employees to be stood down for the period of the emergency. Some day care facilities may be closed displacing children and seniors from normal activities. Local business would be affected by the removal of employees that serve as emergency service volunteers and would be part of the emergency response. People may lose	Likely	Moderate	High	13	High

		their homes and be forced to relocate until such time that their homes are					
		replaced. People will be left behind with friends relocated.					
14	ROAD TRANSPORT EMERGENCY	There is a risk that if road transport emergency occurred, it may cause disruption to the economy . People residing in coastal areas and inland acres, hostels, aged care facilities, schools or retirement villages, may require assistance. Some people may be stranded and displaced. The impact of a road in the district would restrict the movement of people, freight, tourists, industry operations, plantation operations, market garden operation and all commercial / government enterprises. This may place stress on the economic welfare of	Likely	Moderate	High	14	High
15	SEVERE STORM	the community structure. This may have short term effect on the community. There is a risk that a severe storm will cause serious injury or death to people , properties and employees of businesses. Emergency response service personnel are at risk of injury or death when attending to call outs to storm damage and accidents. People may need to be displaced into large community halls etc. as a temporary measure. Pets and livestock may be killed and become homeless. Lightning is a problem and is a regular factor in storms in the Exmouth Shire. This can then result in urban and rural bushfire incidents.	Likely	Moderate	High	15	Medium
16	BUSH FIRE	There is a risk that if a bushfire occurred, it could damage or destroy overhead power lines and communication infrastructure , causing service and communication interruptions to homes, businesses, and industry and traffic management lights. It could impact upon roads and rail transport infrastructure causing fire debris, damage to roads, traffic congestion, accidents and impact on the supply of products and services to residents and businesses. Bush fire will affect the supply of electricity, water and gas. Telecommunications including emergency services radio bands could be	Likely	Moderate	High	16	High

		affected by the loss of communication infrastructure. Emergency services may lose their headquarters, stand pipes and water tanks.					
17	CYCLONE	There is a risk that if a cyclone occurred, it could damage or destroy overhead power lines and communication infrastructure , causing service and communication interruptions to homes, businesses, and industry and traffic management. It could impact upon roads and rail transport infrastructure causing fire debris, damage to roads, traffic congestion, accidents and impact on the supply of products and services to residents and businesses. Cyclone will affect the supply of electricity, water and gas. Telecommunications including emergency services radio bands could be affected by the loss of communication infrastructure. Emergency services may lose their headquarters, stand pipes and water tanks.	Likely	Moderate	High	17	High
18	FLOODING	There is a risk that if a flood occurred, it could damage or destroy overhead power lines and communication infrastructure , causing service and communication interruptions to homes, businesses, and industry and traffic management. It could impact upon roads, transport infrastructure causing debris, damage to roads, traffic congestion, accidents and impact on the supply of products and services to residents and businesses. Floods will affect the supply of electricity, water and gas. Telecommunications including emergency services radio bands could be affected by the loss of communication infrastructure. Emergency services may lose their headquarters.	Likely	Moderate	High	18	High

19	MARINE OIL POLLUTION	There is a risk that if marine oil pollution occurred caused by spillage from passing ships and offshore drilling, it may impact on the surrounding ocean environment , such as fish and other sea life. There is a risk that if marine oil pollution occurred caused by spillage it may impact on the environment in terms of local fauna and flora, killing native birds, wildlife, marine life/organisms and contaminating delicate eco systems along the coast line. The pristine Exmouth Coastline could be threatened.	Likely	Moderate	Medium	19	Low
20	AIR CRASH EMERGENCY	There is a risk that if an aircraft collision/crash occurred within the Exmouth District's air space from/to Learmonth and/or Perth Domestic/International airports crossing residential, commercial and/or industrial areas; people, animals and/or pets may be injured, become ill and/or killed from the impact and exposure to toxic fumes, fires and smoke resulting from the falling/flying plane debris. People have been at risk from emergency landings and the use of military aircraft whilst training in this air space.	Possible	Moderate	Medium	20	Medium

Appendix 3: Critical Infrastructure Register

Item	Location	Owner	Contact	Community Impact Description
Power Station	Welch St, Exmouth	Horizon Power		Loss of power supply resulting in economic and health
				impacts on the community
Sewerage Works	Wilersdorf Road,	Watercorp		Environmental health impacts
	Exmouth			
Water Supply	Exmouth Bore Field,	Watercorp		Loss of water resulting in public health and hygiene
	immediately west of			impacts on the community
	Exmouth town			
Fuel Storage	Multiple Locations	Multiple		Loss of fuel supply resulting in inability to supply the
	(Refer Exmouth	owners		community and industry
	Emergency			
	Resource Register)			
Learmonth Airport	Minilya-Exmouth	Shire of	9949 3000	Loss of transport and evacuation routes; economic
	Rd, Learmonth	Exmouth		impact to industry and tourism
Exmouth	13km south of	Shire of	9949 3000	Loss of transport and evacuation routes. Economic
Aerodrome	Exmouth town along	Exmouth		impact to industry and tourism.
	the Minilya-			
	Exmouth Rd			
Minilya-Exmouth		MRWA		Loss of access to the community, evacuation routes and
Road				supply routes
Exmouth Harbour		DoT		Economic impact to industry and tourism;
				Loss of evacuation and supply routes
Bridge, Horwood	Horwood Quays,	Shire of	9949 1699	Loss of access to sections of the community
Quays	Exmouth Marina	Exmouth		
	Village			

Telstra tower	Maidstone Cr,	Telstra		Loss of communications
	Exmouth rear Post			
	Office			
Yardie Creek Road		Shire of	9949 1699	Loss of access to the popular tourist locations which
		Exmouth		can result in economic impacts;
				Loss of access to sections of the community and their
				evacuation route
North West Coastal	Approx 170km	MRWA		Loss of access to the community, evacuation routes and
Highway	south of Exmouth			supply routes
Exmouth Hospital	Lyon St, Exmouth	Department of		Loss of emergency health care services
		Health		

Appendix 4: State and Local Public Information & Community Warning Systems

State:

System	Responsible Agency	Comments					
Standard Emergency Warning Signal (SEWS)	DFES or BOM	In Western Australia SEWS broadcasts are authorised by the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) or the Regional Director of the Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) for weather and flood related events.					
		FormoreinformationonSEWSpleasevisithttp://www.dfes.wa.gov.au/safetyinformation/warningsystems/pages/sews.aspx					
ABC Radio	НМА	ABC Radio in WA will broadcast an emergency message immediately, repeatedly, for as long as necessary, and to whatever target audience in any area. The ABC Channel for the Shire of Exmouth is 1188AM – visit <u>www.abc.net.au</u> for more information					
DFES Public Information Line and Website – <u>www.dfes.wa.gov.au</u>	DFES	During an emergency where life or property is under threat, information is available by calling the DFES public information line on: 1300 657 209 , online via the <u>alerts page</u> of this website and by listening to <u>local radio news bulletins</u> .					
BOM Tropical Cyclone Telephone Weather Services and Website – <u>www.bom.gov.au</u>	The BOM website provides information on warning services, current weather, radar displays, satellite images, weather charts and weather observations that are provided to the public by the Bureau of Meteorology (BoM).						
		The latest Tropical Cyclone Advices can always be heard on recorded telephone services. The contact number for the Western Australia Tropical Cyclone Information Service - 1300 659 210					

Television	НМА	Television in WA will broadcast an emergency message immediately, repeatedly, for as long as
		necessary, and to whatever target audience in any area.
SMS Emergency Alert	НМА	A mobile phone based warning system which will capture all mobile phones within a specific
		geographic area. No registration is required

Local:

System	Responsible Agency	Comment		
Cyclone Alert Lights				
- Exmouth SES,	- Exmouth SES	Activated by the SES and implemented by the responsible agency.		
Payne St	Ph: 0447 230 988			
		These lights act as a visual warning system for the community.		
- Shire of Exmouth	- Shire of Exmouth			
Works Depot,	Ph: 08 9947 8700			
Welch St				
- Exmouth Police	- Exmouth Police			
Station, Maidstone	Ph: 08 9947 8700			
Cr				
Ross St Mall variable	Shire of Exmouth –	The Shire of Exmouth has the ability through its variable electronic notice board in the		
electronic notice board	Ph: 9949 3000	Ross St Mall to provide information about bushfires, cyclones and other emergency		
		information and can be utilised as a tool for disseminating information to the public.		
Exmouth Info Website –	Sharon Mumby (website	Exmouth Info is a local website which provides daily email subscription services that		
www.exmouthinfo.com.au	administrator) –	many Exmouth and Coral Bay residents have subscribed.		
	Mob: 0419 967 334			
		It has been designed to better inform the Exmouth community and can be utilised as		
		a tool for disseminating information to the public.		

		Notices published on the website can be linked to Social Media accounts with the click of a button		
Social Media;				
- DFES: Twitter - DFES		Can be utilised as a tool for disseminating information to the public through various social media options available.		
- Exmouth SES:	- Exmouth SES			
Facebook		All social media pages are locally based, either in Exmouth or as part of the Pilbara district.		
- Exmouth Police: Twitter	- Exmouth Police Station			
- Pilbara Police: Facebook	- Karratha Police Station			
- Shire of Exmouth: Facebook	- Shire of Exmouth,			
Door Knocking	HMA and SES	Utilised as a tool to disseminate information within a specific area through direct face to face contact		
Public Announcement Exmouth Police – Ph: 9947 8700		Utilised as an additional tool to ensure the dissemination of information within a specific area		
Ph: 9949 3000		The Shire of Exmouth has the ability through its website to provide information about bushfires, cyclones and other emergency information and can be utilised as a tool for disseminating information to the public.		
Pilbara News (Print Media) Pilbara News – Ph: 08 9185 2666		Can be utilised as a tool for disseminating information to the public.		
Community Education HMA				

SMS Cyclone Alert Shire			Utilised to provide up-to-date alert statuses for cyclone conditions for Exmouth.				
					Registration is required in order to receive notifications		
Exmouth	District	High	Exmouth	District	High	The EDHS the ability through its electronic notice board on Maidstone Cr to provide	
School Electronic School Ph: 9947 8888			information about bushfires, cyclones and other emergency information and can be				
Noticeboard (EDHS)				utilised as a tool for disseminating information to the public.			

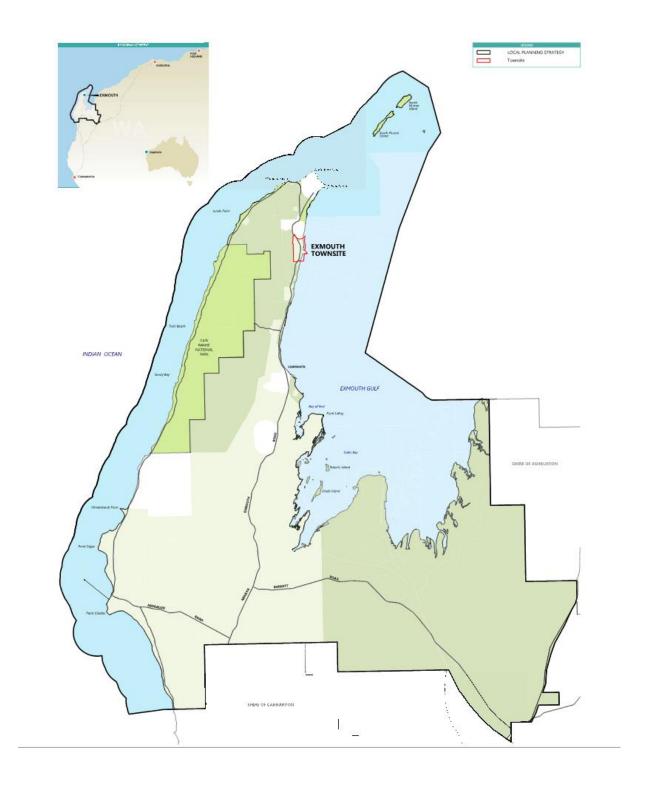
Appendix 5: Vulnerable & Special Needs Groups

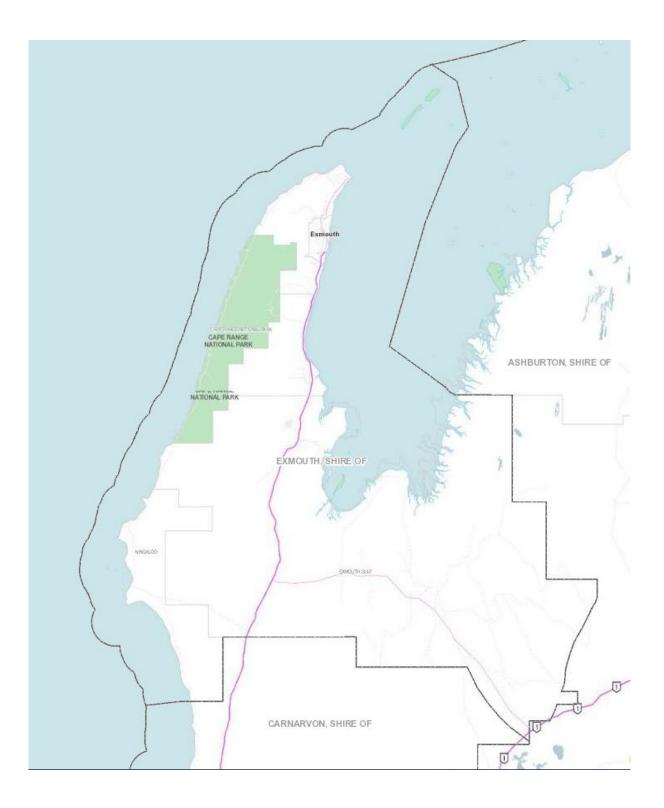
Group	Description	Agency Responsible	Location	Contact	Number
Aged	Commonwealth funded	Department of Health	Exmouth	Emma Howard	Hospital residents = 3
_	residential beds – 3 high care, 1		Health Service	9949 3630	(maximum) Current
	low care and 6 community care			0417 949 148	Home Aged Care
	packages available for clients to				clients = 37
be looked after at home					
Hospital home	Patients that require oxygen or	Department of Health		Emma Howard	
patients that	have a disability that causes them			9949 3630	2 Patients
require power to rely on power				0417 949 148	
Exmouth District	Primary and Secondary	Department of	Carpenter St,	Ray Denholm	480 students
High School	schooling	Education	Exmouth	9947 8888	
Tourists*	Tourists in tents or light weight	P & W, Shire, HMA			
	transportable accommodation				
	are vulnerable to extreme				
	heat/wind/rain events; non-				
	English speaking backgrounds				

Appendix 6: LEMC Contact List

This information is restricted to operational officers only and is updated quarterly at each LEMC meeting.

Appendix 7 Maps of the District





Exmouth Town Site Map

