

Snowy Valleys Council Agriculture and Livestock Recovery Subcommittee - Terms of Reference -

TITLE

The **Snowy Valleys Council Agriculture Livestock Recovery Subcommittee** (hereto referred to as the subcommittee) has been established by the Snowy Valleys Council Recovery Committee in response to the 2019-2020 bushfires affecting the Snowy Valleys Council Local Government Area and the surrounding regions.

PURPOSE

To provide specialised support and advice to the Snowy Valleys Council Recovery Committee in relation to the four key areas of recovery issues:

1. Agriculture
2. Horticulture / Viticulture / Apiary
3. Livestock
4. Biosecurity

FUNCTIONS

The Subcommittee will:

- Identify specific community “needs and requirements” related to the immediate and short, mid-term, and long-term recovery efforts related specifically to the areas of General Agriculture, Horticulture / Viticulture / Apiary, Livestock recovery and Biosecurity.
- Identify and assist in the development and implementation of the Agriculture and Livestock Recovery Subcommittee Action Plan including the development, application and termination phases of activities
- Provide specialist advice and support to the relevant Council Committees in the four main areas identified relative to Agriculture, horticulture/Viticulture/Apiary, Livestock and Biosecurity.
- Provide timely and relevant information to the community to support recovery measures and activities relevant to the areas of responsibility of the subcommittee.
- Ensure that areas of concern raised by the community members and applicable to the subcommittee are properly addressed and where possible facilitate the taking of appropriate action.
- Provide support and information to community, Council and regional implemented recovery initiatives.
- Ensure that access to correct and current information is available through a variety of resources.
- Ensure that contact details of support personnel, agencies and organisations are available and current.
- Facilitate where possible, support mechanisms and resourcing to recovery programs.

- Report regularly and where necessary make recommendations to the Recovery Committee.

CHAIR

The Chair of the Subcommittee is a Councillor.

MEMBERSHIP

As determined by the Recovery Committee. Membership may change periodically depending on identified needs and requirements.

See initial membership list

SECRETARIAT / ADMINISTRATION

Secretariat and administrative support will be provided by an assigned, appropriate representative from Snowy Valleys Council.

FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS

The Subcommittee will meet initially on a weekly basis to establish the working and needs parameters. Subsequent meetings for the mid and longer term will likely reduce the needs of meetings to a fortnightly or as a “need required basis.

Meetings can be conducted through an electronic meeting platform agreed to be teleconferencing facilitated by council. Face-to-Face meetings will be conducted at least once per month.

REPORTING

The Subcommittee will report to the Snowy Valleys Council Recovery Committee.

WORKING GROUPS

Individual working groups or technical groups may be formed on a specific needs basis. The working groups will be tasked by, and report to the Subcommittee, for administrative management purposes, but may be tasked with direct response to another subcommittee on a case-by-case basis.

DURATION OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE

The subcommittee was established on Wednesday 29 January 2020 and will continue operate for the duration of the need requirement until identified as no-longer required by the Snowy Valleys Council Recovery Committee

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