



**5. ENVIRONMENTAL**

**5.3 BUSH FIRE**

**5.3.20 Brigade Amalgamations**

1. That Bush Fire Brigades are permitted to exist if they can demonstrate or are working toward a suitable Brigade structure and are actively involved in fire activities in their designated Brigade area to the satisfaction of the Bush Fire Advisory Committee and Council. The Shire of Manjimup and the Bush Fire Advisory Committee give the necessary commitment and resources to assist Brigades where necessary.
2. That Brigade amalgamations will only be enforced where Brigades do not meet the requirements of the above, or where there is agreement to amalgamate between Brigades. Forced Brigade amalgamations would be subject to consultation occurring with landowners in non functional Bush Fire Brigades and the relevant parts of the Bush Fire Brigade network prior to the dissolution of any Brigade. The Shire of Manjimup and the Bush Fire Advisory Committee give the necessary commitment and resources to assist Brigades to transition through amalgamations.

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**The Administration of this Policy is by Statutory Services Division.**