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Subject: Kings Park Bushfires

I write on behalf of the City of Perth's Western Residents Association and thank you for the previous positive interaction we have had on a range of issues. Some of our members who live close to Kings Park would like to pose some questions about the KPBG's response to recent arson incidents in the Park.

These members live within the designated 'Fire Prone Areas' – those areas coloured pink on Landgate's map and defined as 'those areas being subject or likely to be subject to bushfire attack'. This includes the Park Avenue Crawley residents and those with homes in Winthrop Avenue, Ferdinand Lane, Megalong, Monash and Hardy Streets.

The October 2023 arson attacks, and the resultant Kings Park bushfires were extinguished promptly - next time we might not be so lucky. We saw the smoke, heard the fire engines, and listened to news of the fires and the Park closure on the radio. However, we had no SMS notification. We had instead messages and calls from holidaying residents who sought information.

We ask what preparation KPBG is making to deal with possible future fires. We are aware of the research you are doing on two areas in relation to prescribed burning in the Park, to identify the best way to manage bushfire hazards and to conserve our natural environment. We ask how the latest fires will impact or be incorporated into this research.

We look forward to your response on these matters.

Kind regards,

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City of Perth Western Residents