



## COUNCIL POLICY

**Title:** Fire Hazard Reduction

**Responsible Officer:** Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Shire of  
**Kellerberrin**

**Version:** Current

### 1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to encourage landowners to accept responsibility for their land in regards to tidiness, reduce vermin attraction and fire hazard reduction responsibility to all vacant landowners within the townsites of the Shire of Kellerberrin.

### 2. SCOPE

This policy is applied to the Shire of Kellerberrin and its elected members and employees.

### 3. DEFINITIONS

### 4. STRATEGIC CONTEXT

This policy links to core drivers:

1. Relationships that bring us tangible benefits (to the Shire and our community)
2. Our lifestyle and strong sense of community
3. We are prepared for opportunities and we are innovative to ensure our relevancy and destiny

### 5. POLICY STATEMENT

1. That an annual Fire Hazard Reduction Inspection be conducted within the townsites of Doodlakine and Kellerberrin in regards to landowner responsibility towards tidiness and neatness to comply with Council's Firebreak Notice.
2. The Inspection to be arranged by the Chief Executive Officer and completed in association with Council's appointed Chief Bushfire Control Officer or his or her representative, to be completed by end of second week of September.
3. Non Compliance Notices be forwarded to offending landowners by end of September.
4. Non compliance at 1 November will result in Infringement Notices being issued.
5. If Landowner remains non compliant at the end of the stated period Council will enter land to undertake necessary works in accordance with its powers to achieve compliance at landowners cost.
6. That this becomes Policy of the Council, to be included in Annual Fire Break Notices and advertised accordingly.

**6. RELATED LEGISLATION/ DOCUMENTATION**

Bush Fires Act 1954 (as amended),

**7. REVIEW DETAILS**

Council Adoption	Date	February 2020	Resolution #	MIN009/20
Previous Adoption	Date	October 2016	Resolution #	MIN168/16