

Banjup fires 2014 – Learning from residents

So learnings from me from the Banjup fires is just your pre-summer preparedness, checking your plan, sitting down with your family before summer and making sure that the things in your plan are ready to go.

When the electricity goes most people don't understand, but if you got bore pumps and and pumps and out in these rural areas you do, you have no water capability at all, and it may not be restored for two or three days. If you stay and defend that you can survive that time. There's a lot of work, a lot of stress, a lot of heat. You cannot leave your property if you say and defend if you leave your property you can't come back in.

As a resident my family and I would like to thank not only the emergency services that fought the fire on the day, but all of the planning and fire mitigation services that the City and the local volunteers provide.