Council Agenda - 22 November 2018 - Agenda Item 8.1 Attachment 6 - TFS Informal Advice 2147 East Tamar Highway, Mount Direction

Hi lain,

When 'visitor accommodation' was removed from the Bushfire-Prone Areas Code, it left a big hole in the system that you've just stumbled across. This is just another reason why deferring this stuff to the building system wasn't really a great idea, in my mind.

If there is no building work, the Building Regs aren't triggered, therefore the Director's Determination for bushfire isn't applicable.

If the caravan park is a place of employment, there is a requirement for an emergency plan under Work Health & Safety Regs.

Use of fire in outdoor areas will of course be subject to TFS Total Fire Bans during high risk periods.

TFS is currently working on 'best practice' guidelines for caravan parks and camping grounds to educate these operators and encourage them to do the right thing. Not sure when that'll be released and it's only voluntary anyway.

Cheers

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