



Support following the November 2023 bushfire

It's awful to have experienced another fire at Dolphin Sands. We truly are all in this together. Below we've listed some support that's available.

The Clean-Up

Council is assisting those with fire-affected properties to dispose of their waste.

Our Landcare group may be able to assist clearing vegetation on your property. Please get in touch to find out about these services.

Processing our Experiences

A lot of us are struggling since the fire. It can help to chat to a professional.

[Rural Alive & Well](#) (RAW) have been helping community members work through the stressors of the fire and its aftermath.

[Mind Full Works](#) offer a counselling and psychology service in Dolphin Sands/Swansea. See Andrew or Camilla (or another GP) first to get a mental health care plan. There's a small gap fee of \$40. If anyone is unable to afford this, the DSCA will fundraise to cover the gap fee.

Red Cross are offering a Recovery Workshop on Saturday, Dec 2, 9am-1pm. Morning tea will be provided. Please RSVP by Nov 28 either to DSCA or Trent Chilcott at: tchilcott@redcross.org.au

Rebuilding & Regenerating

The 'fire' section of this website has lots of information about building in bushfire-prone areas and regenerating fire-affected areas. NRM/Landcare's guide to *Restoring our Landscape* after fires explains that many people believe that the blackened wasteland that was once their cherished landscape can best be repaired by widespread planting. This booklet provides guidance about whether planting is likely to be necessary or not. Our Landcare group may be able to assist you with this.

Register with our emergency messaging service to get early notifications about fires.