

**EMERGENCY  
MANAGEMENT**

**Redesdale Fire  
Community Recovery  
Update No 2  
12 Feb 2009**

**RECOVERY  
INFORMATION**

Information for residents affected by fires in the  
**Redesdale / Barfold / Sidonia / Glenhope** areas  
7 – 20 February 2009

Thanks to the great efforts of our local emergency services no-one was seriously hurt as a result of these fires. However, a number of homes have been lost along with stock, pasture and some other infrastructure.

Four local Councils are working together with a number of other agencies to get information to affected community members about support that is available.

**A Recovery Centre**  
has been established at the  
**Metcalfe Town Hall**  
and will be open  
**10am – 4pm until Friday 20 February**

The Recovery Centre has information about:

- Immediate cash grants available
- Accessing accommodation
- How to support yourself, your family and friends during this stressful time
- How to support children whose behaviour may change if they were scared or confused
- What to do if the water quality in your rainwater tanks has been affected by ash
- What to be careful of when undertaking salvage or rebuilding works (eg some old structures may contain asbestos)
- How to access support for fencing or other works needed
- How to access emergency fodder if you are a primary producer
- Arranging replenishment if your dam water was used by fire fighting services
- How to access support in liaising with your insurance company

**Local residents are encouraged to come to the Recovery Centre as a  
“one-stop-shop” for up-to-date information and support,  
as well as an opportunity to touch base  
with your neighbours and local community.**

**If you can't come in person, contact staff at the centre on 5423 2571.**

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**NEXT COMMUNITY MEETING**

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**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February  
6.30pm at**

**Metcalfe  
Town Hall**