

History and structure of the 201 V5 – District Disaster Relief Trust (DDRT)

Inception:

The 201V5 Disaster Relief Trust was established 24 years ago when, in 1998, it was determined by the clubs in District 201V5, that there was a need to have immediate funds available following any disastrous events within our District.

The Trust was formed and approved at the 201V5 22nd AGM and Convention held in Hampton Park in 1998 under the leadership of then District Governor Gordon Connor.

Founding Trustee Names

Geoffrey CALLENDER	Robert Allen COOPER	Peter John BROWN
Peter David SHACKLOCK	Delice Thelma GUSCOTT	

Trust Structure

The Trust is made up of five Trustees including a Chairperson. Each Trustee holds their position for a period of 5 years with the concept being that a Trustee is replaced each year with a new Trustee commencing a five-year term.

The Trustees are elected by the member clubs of District 201V5 via a nomination process and voting held at the annual AGM of 201V5. Trustees can re-nominate at the expiration of their term.

Trustee nominees are assessed by the District Cabinet and if deemed acceptable, their nomination is accepted and put to the members for approval.

Where do the funds come from:

The funds the Trust disperses are received either via donations from Lions Clubs (predominantly in District 201V5) as well as any public donations.

How is the money handled

The Trust has a number of bank accounts that hold funds. Essentially it works on the principle of having two main accounts:

1. Operating General Account
2. Operating Bushfire Account

There are also two Investment Accounts and a Settlement Account.

The Trustees are responsible for ensuring that the expenditure of the funds is in line with the Deed criteria and that any investments made by the Trust are made to the benefit of the Trust from a cash growth perspective balanced with an accessibility of funds in time of need.

Current Trustees @ July 2022:

Trustee Name	Expiry of Term	Trustee Name	Expiry of Term
Elizabeth Johnson	30/06/2024	***Raymond Spencer***	30/06/2025
Patricia Hayward	30/06/2026	Paul Thorneycroft	30/06/2027
Mark Betts	30/06/2028	*****Denotes Current Chairman*****	

History as @ October 2022