NEIGHBOURHOOD SAFER PLACES (NSP)
- are a Place of Last Resort for people during a bush fire.
They are a last resort if residents are unable to leave early or safely defend their property.

Well before there is any fire in your area:

☐ Be aware of NSP locations for your local area. See www.rfs.nsw.gov.au.
☐ Note any NSP’s that are close to your property in your Bush Fire Survival Plan.
☐ Always remember these areas have been identified as a PLACE OF LAST RESORT.
☐ If there is no NSP available to you, other safer locations should be identified in your Bush Fire Survival Plan and used as a PLACE OF LAST RESORT during a bush fire event.
☐ Other safer locations include a nearby well prepared home, a shopping centre, an oval etc. that is away from the bush.
☐ Be aware of the safest and any alternate access routes to your NSP.

The Place of Last Resort

☐ If it is unsafe to leave the area or stay and defend your property, and the path is clear, you should move to your pre-identified NSP, or other safer location, prior to the impact of a bush fire.
☐ Be aware that when you are travelling to your NSP there may be heavy smoke and poor visibility. It is important that you are familiar with the area.
☐ Gather at the NSP location and remain there until the bush fire threat has passed.
☐ The conditions at the NSP may be uncomfortable and you may be affected by smoke and embers.
☐ Water, toilets and food may not be available at the NSP and emergency service personnel may not be present.
☐ People with special needs, such as the elderly and disabled, should always leave before the threat of fire.
☐ NSPs are not intended for pets and livestock.
☐ Your safest option will always be to leave early.

Survival when travelling to or gathering at the NSP is not guaranteed.
The safest option for residents of bush fire prone areas is to leave their property well before the threat of bush fire.