

<i>Name of Witness</i>	Edward Bernard BRADLEY
<i>Date of Birth</i>	[REDACTED]
<i>Address and contact details</i>	[REDACTED]
<i>Occupation</i>	Retired
<i>Officer taking statement</i>	Detective Sergeant Glen CATCHPOLE
<i>Date taken</i>	13/05/2011

I, Edward Bernard BRADLEY states;

1. I am [REDACTED] years of age and reside at [REDACTED] I have lived at this address since 1994, but I have lived in the area since 1974.
2. At about 2.30pm on Tuesday the 11th January 2011 I left my house because I could tell that it was time to go. I had previously been told by the "old fellows" around town that when you see water in Evan Marginson Park its time to leave. The park is near Woogaroo Street and Brisbane Tce. I have been told that my place went under at about 11pm that night. The water reached up to about 2 inches below the top of my ceiling. I lost all my household possessions. I did not get any possessions out. We were able to get back to the house on the Friday the 14th.
3. I have not been instructed by our local council or any government agency on evacuation plans for our area in case of a natural disaster. I do not know who my local disaster co-ordinator is.

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4. I did not receive any official warning prior to the flood event alerting me of an impending severe weather event. I just guessed for myself from my own observations that I needed to get out. In my opinion I consider that in the event of a future incident the best method of warning people is by SMS. I also consider that the forecasts provided by the Weather Bureau were adequate.
5. In relation to preparation in our area for the flood we were not prepared. There wasn't any official warning. I believed that we would be OK because of the Wivenhoe Dam, I had a false sense of security.
6. The emergency services response in our area was really good, after the flood we had plenty of help from volunteers and church groups helping me clean out my house. Someone during the night removed all our rubbish from the footpath.
7. After the flood we went and stayed with friends at Redbank plains until we could find somewhere else to live until we shifted back to Brisbane Tce. We shifted back into Brisbane Tce in early May, I was fully covered with APIA insurance, the house was fully covered it was good, but my contents insurance was a bit down on the real value of what I should have had it covered for, that was my fault. I have no complaints about the insurance company. We were the first ones in the street to move back in.
8. One thing I don't understand is that during the clean up stage, we had helpers from the Origin Alliance Company (who are building the motorway near us) working at cleaning up our street and helping with washing out our homes. Apparently some guy came to them and told them that they could stop cleaning up because the Council would do it,

they finished off what they were doing and then left, but the Council didn't come out for another 3 or 4 days to carry on the work started by the helpers from Origin Alliance. Seems to me that it was a waste that they were told to go as they were volunteers.

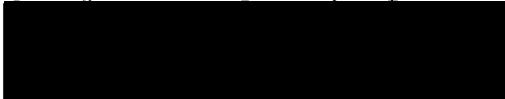


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Justices Act 1886

I acknowledge by virtue of section 110A(5)(c)(ii) of the Justices Act 1886 that:

- (1) This written statement by me dated 13/05/11 and contained in the pages numbered 1 to 3 is true to the best of my knowledge and belief; and
- (2) I make this statement knowing that, if it were admitted as evidence, I may be liable to prosecution for stating in it anything that I know is false.

..........Signature

Signed at HAVERLEY this.....13th.....day of.....May.....2011....

