



ROADWISE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

SECTION 5.9(2)(c) LGA 1995

The functions of the RoadWise Committee are:

- (1) *To provide a structured forum for stakeholders to consider and discuss road safety issues; and*
- (2) *To discuss and make recommendation regarding the identification and appropriate counter measures to negative attitudinal, behavioural and environmental factors linked to enforcement, engineering, education, encouragement and evaluation of road safety initiatives.*

Meeting of the RoadWise Committee held in the
Council Committee Room, Lowood Road, Mount Barker WA 6324
2.00pm Thursday 10 February 2022


Cameron Woods
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Committee Members

Cr Brett Bell, Cr Marie O'Dea, Cr Karen Woltering - Local Government Elected members, Mr David Lynch - Executive Manager Works and Services, RoadWise Officer - Ms Vivienne Gardiner (Resolution No 245/21), Mr Andrew Duffield - Main Roads WA, Sergeant David Johnson - Mount Barker Police, Mrs Elsa Drage - Community Representative, Mr Leon Pitt, Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens Association, Ms Pauline Hughes, Mount Barker Community College (Resolution No 177/21)

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Presiding Member: Cr B Bell

Deputy Presiding Member: Cr K Woltering

Membership: Quorum (5)

Cr B Bell	Council Representative
Cr M O'Dea	Council Representative
Cr K Woltering	Council Representative
Mr D Lynch	Executive Manager Works and Services
Ms V Gardiner	RoadWise Officer
Mr A Duffield	Main Roads WA
Mr B Lenton	Deputy for Mr A Duffield
Sgt D Johnson	Mount Barker Police
Snr Cons A Somerville	Deputy for Sgt D Johnson
Ms P Hughes	Mount Barker Community College
Mr W Beck	Deputy for Ms P Hughes
Mrs E Drage	Community Representative
Mr L Pitt	Mount Barker Community College P&C Association
Mr A Fraser	Deputy for the Mount Barker Community College P&C Association

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

At 2.00pm Cr Bell declared the meeting open.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIESAttendance

Cr B Bell	Council Representative
Cr M O'Dea	Council Representative
Cr K Woltering	Council Representative
Mr D Lynch	Executive Manager Works and Services
Ms V Gardiner	RoadWise Officer
Mr B Lenton	Deputy for Mr A Duffield
Snr Cons A Somerville	Deputy for Sgt D Johnson
Ms P Hughes	Mount Barker Community College
Mrs E Drage	Community Representative

Staff

Ms A Chadbourne	Senior Administration, Works and Services
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Apologies

Sgt D Johnson	Mount Barker Police
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3 DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Part 5, Division 6, Local Government Act 1995

Nil

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Mrs E Drage, Seconded Cr K Woltering;

That the minutes of the Meeting of the RoadWise Committee, held on Thursday 9 December 2021 be taken as read and adopted as a correct record.

CARRIED

5 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**5.1 SAFE SPEEDS****5.2 SAFE ROAD USE****5.2.1 MEDIA PROMOTING ROAD RULES**

Cr Bell discussed the proposal to use the media to highlight road rules and the penalties that apply.

After some discussion it was agreed that Ms Gardiner would look at providing some messages for the Shire Facebook page that would tie in with the focus of local police on five key road issues as follows:

1. Impaired driving (drink driving and drug driving);
2. Use of mobile phones;
3. Speed;
4. Seatbelts; and
5. Fatigue.

Action: Mr Gardiner be requested to work with the Shire's Communications Officer to address the five issues prioritised by local police and align them with relevant road safety campaigns.

5.2.2 VEHICLE CHECK - SERVICE

Cr Bell reported that he had spoken with local car service businesses about the idea of running a vehicle safety check. The businesses were positive about it and offered the service of a mechanic during business hours.

The possibility of including a tyre change demonstration as part of the service was also discussed.

It was agreed that the sealed area behind the Mount Barker Town Fire Station would be appropriate and that Wednesday 23 March was a suitable date. Two sessions were suggested from 10am to 12 noon and then 1pm to 3pm.

Methods of promoting the service were highlighted and the following platforms were suggested:

IGA Co-op Shire Electronic Notice Board
Shire FB page Empowering Plantagenet Seniors FB page
MBCC newsletter

Action: Cr Bell advised he would confirm the availability of mechanics for the event.

5.2.3 DRIVER REVIVER – FRIDAY 4 MARCH 2022

The committee discussed the following points for the upcoming Driver Reviver event to be held at the Tenterden Top-Up site on Albany Highway.

- Event to start at 12 noon and finish when volunteers on site decide that demand was negligible.
- Mrs Drage confirmed she is organising the roster and stated she had St John Ambulance representatives and fire brigade volunteers.
- Portable toilet – this has been ordered and Cr Bell advised he would deliver the toilet to the site.

- Brad Lenton advised that Main Roads would supply the light and VMBs and would deliver to the site and also collect after the event.

The committee discussed the risk of COVID-19 and Ms Gardiner advised she would obtain the WALGA perspective on holding events at this time. If WALGA advised that the risk was too great and recommended the event not be held the Committee would discuss outside the meeting.

5.2.4 BLESSING OF THE ROADS 2022

The committee agreed the event would be postponed and possibly held later in the year due to projections indicating that COVID-19 would be at its peak in Western Australia in April 2022.

5.3 SAFE ROADS AND ROADSIDES

5.3.1 CLASS 1 REFLECTIVE SIGNS

Brad Lenton advised that Main Roads WA had positioned the signs at the appropriate angle and that motorists should dim their lights on approach.

6 AGENCY REPORTS

6.1 ROADWISE

Ms Gardiner spoke to the report at Attachment One and pointed out the types of crashes in the Great Southern. She also highlighted the road safety benefits of road shoulder sealing and the installation of audible edge lines.

Ms Gardiner also referred to the Road Safety grants/funding available.

6.2 MAIN ROADS WA

Mr Lenton mentioned the two fatal crashes on Shire of Plantagenet Roads this financial year and that both were due to driver error rather than the condition of the road.

He highlighted the roadworks scheduled for Albany Highway in the Great Southern, in particular the roadworks north of Cranbrook where lots of traffic management is in place.

6.3 MOUNT BARKER POLICE

Snr Constable Somerville reported on the busy roads in the Shire over the Christmas holiday period. Despite this the number of infringements were not high.

6.4 SHIRE OF PLANTAGENET

Mr Lynch reported on the shoulder sealing soon to start on Woogenellup Road. The entire road is to have the shoulders sealed and audible edge lines installed.

6.5 MOUNT BARKER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Ms Hughes reported that parents are not allowed out of their vehicles at school (due to COVID-19 restrictions) which is making for challenging drop off and pick up times.

6.6 COMMUNITY MEMBER

Mrs Drage highlighted motorists parking near the BankWest ATM when taking money from the machine. Mr Lynch explained that bays can be marked but there is no method of enforcement until Council approval is obtained for regulating parking at this area.

7 NEXT MEETING

Thursday 14 April at 2.00pm

8 MEETING CLOSURE

At 3.15pm, Cr Bell declared the meeting closed.

Attachment One



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Road Safety Report – Great Southern February 2022

Road Safety Performance on Local Government Roads

Around 20 percent of WA's population live in regional areas such as the Great Southern, however regional WA accounts for approximately 40 percent of people killed or seriously injured on our roads.¹ The following table highlights the types of crashes that resulted in 155 people being killed or seriously injured (KSI) in the Great Southern between 2014-2018.²

Crash Type	KSI	% KSI Crashes	Crash Type	KSI	% KSI Crashes
Non-collision	40	25.8%	Hit Object	5	3.2%
Off carriageway, Hit object	29	18.7%	Rear End	5	3.2%
Right Angle	27	17.4%	Other	4	2.6%
Off Carriageway, Non-collision	18	11.6%	Right Turn Thru	4	2.6%
Hit Pedestrian	13	8.4%	Sideswipe	4	2.6%
Head On	5	3.2%	Hit Animal	1	0.6%

Single vehicle run-off crashes continue to be the most common type of road crash in regional areas, including the Great Southern. Three in every four serious crashes on regional Western Australia roads also involved a local driver either within their own Local Government area or an adjacent one.³

Crash insights reveal that 55 percent of rural crashes are on roads of 110km/h and often involve the vehicle running off the road and hitting an object such as a tree.²

The sealing of road shoulders and installation of audible edge and centre lines on a number of WA's rural roads has reduced severe and casualty crash rates by 58% and 80% respectively.²

¹ Government of Western Australia, *Driving Change: Road Safety Strategy for Western Australia 2020-2030*, <https://www.wa.gov.au/government/publications/driving-change-road-safety-strategy-2020-2030>, 10 January 2022.

² WALGA RoadWise, *Road Safety Performance on Local Government Roads 2014-2018 Great Southern Region*, 7 September 2021.

³ Government of Western Australia, *Driving Change: Road Safety Strategy for Western Australia 2020-2030*, <https://www.wa.gov.au/government/publications/driving-change-road-safety-strategy-2020-2030>, 10 January 2022.

The *WALGA RoadWise Road Safety Performance on Local Government Roads Reports* aim to provide information focusing on KSI road trauma specific to each WA region and focus on Local Government roads.

Click here to access the reports: <https://www.roadwise.asn.au/onlineform/>

Road Safety Management System

The Road Safety Management System (RSMS) is a new service for Local Governments developed by WALGA's RoadWise Program.

Local Governments have a strategic and operational role in road safety as road managers, road system designers, planning authorities and fleet managers, in addition to their community development and leadership roles.

The aim of RSMS is to provide strategic advice and practical support to Local Governments to systematically manage local road safety performance with the long-term goal of eliminating death and serious injury on the local road network.

For more information on this service, please contact Jo Malcolm via email jmalcolm@walga.asn.au or 9213 2523

CASE EXAMPLE: Wheatbelt Local Government Road Safety Audit Project

The Shire of Toodyay received a Road Safety Community Grant to upskill Local Government staff as a panel of trainee auditors for the Avon Valley. Staff from the four participating Local Governments completed the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia Western Australia online Road Safety Audit course. This was followed by a workshop facilitated by Shawmac Senior Auditors, Richard Jois and Damir Vagaja.

The workshop included presentations on the safe system, case study discussions, crash types and suitable countermeasures, and the importance of data analysis. Sharing knowledge and expertise in the workshop format allowed Local Governments to identify problem locations and prioritise their treatment - for example, run-off road crashes are the priority crash type requiring treatment in the Wheatbelt.

The project was funded through a Road Safety Community Grant.

Road Safety Community Project Grants are available up to \$25,000 and can run for 12 months. The current round closes on 31 March 2022

Visit the Road Safety Community Grants Portal here: <https://communityconnect.rsc.wa.gov.au/community-grants-portal> for more information.

National Road Safety Strategy 2021-30

The National Road Safety Strategy 2021-30 was released by the Infrastructure and Transport Ministers on 22 December 2021.

The strategy has three key themes: safe roads, safe vehicles and safe road use. Speed management is embedded within all three themes. The Strategy will be supported by a National Road Safety Action Plan.

Follow the link for a copy of the Strategy: roadsafety.gov.au/nrss.

RoadWise Road Safety Newsletter

The latest edition of the *RoadWise Road Safety Newsletter* can be accessed from the RoadWise website; www.roadwise.asn.au/roadwise-road-safety-newsletter.aspx or email RoadWise at roadwise@walga.asn.au

National Road Safety Week 2022

National Road Safety Week runs between 15 - 22 May 2022. Planning is underway in Western Australia for a full calendar of events, by Road Safety Council member agencies, including WALGA.



One of the regular features of National Road Safety Week is the 'shine a light on road safety' initiative. Lighting up iconic buildings and features yellow shines a light on road safety and recognises the people killed, seriously injured and affected by road trauma on our roads, every year.

Does your Local Government or community have a building, landmark or tourist attraction which could be lit up in yellow from 15-22 May?

Please contact: Regional Road Safety Advisor, Vivienne Gardiner on 0418 904 081 or vgardiner@walga.asn.au.

Image: Albany Town Hall. Credit Road Safety Commission

If you are thinking of holding an event or doing a project National Road Safety Week Grants Close 18 February 2020. <https://communityconnect.rsc.wa.gov.au/community-grants-portal>.

Calendar of Events

- **National Road Safety Week:** 15-22 May 2022.
- **National Road Safety Week Grants:** Close 18 February 2020 [Click link](#).
- **Road Safety Community Project Grants:** Close 31 March 2022 [Click link](#).

Attachment Two

Road Safety Dates 2022			
DATE	EVENT	ORGANISATION	WESITE
31 January 2022	Return to School	All	
Friday 25 March 2022	National Ride2School Day	Bicycle Network	https://www.bicyclenetwork.com.au/rides-and-events/ride2school/ride2school-day/
First Week of April	End of Summer Sports Season		
Monday 11 April – Monday 18 th April (school holidays 9-25 April)	Blessing of the Roads	RoadWise	https://www.roadwise.asn.au/blessing-of-the-roads.aspx
26 April (Tuesday) 2022	Return to School	All	
Sunday 15 May – Sunday 22 nd May	National Road Safety Week	Safer Australian Roads and Highways	https://roadsafetyweek.com.au/
Winter is coming			
Friday 20 May	Walk Safely to School Day	Pedestrian Council of Australia	https://www.walk.com.au/WSTSD/
Friday 27 May	Fatality Free Friday	Australian Road Safety Foundation	https://arsf.com.au/fatality-free-friday-2/
18 July (Monday) 2022 (school holidays 2-17 July)	Return to School	All	
Mid-August	Celebrate Your End of Season Safely	Local Government	
Wednesday 1 September – Thursday 30 September	Rural Road Safety Month	Australian Road Safety Foundation	https://arsf.com.au/events-calendar-2/
10 October 2022 (school holidays 24 Sept – 9 October)	Return to School	All	
October (not confirmed)	WA bike month	WestCycle	https://westcycle.org.au/wabikemonth/
October (not confirmed)	Walktober	Bluearth	https://www.bluearth.org/walktober/
October (not confirmed)	Great Cycle Challenge	Great Cycle Challenge Australia	https://greatcyclechallenge.com.au/
Sunday 20 November	World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims	Injury Matters	https://worlddayofremembrance.org/ https://www.injurymatters.org.au/programs/road-trauma-support-wa/
December 2022 – January 2023	Road Ribbon for Road safety	RoadWise	https://www.roadwise.asn.au/road-ribbon-for-road-safety.aspx