



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.*

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a
Meeting of the RoadWise Committee held in the
Council Committee Room, Lowood Road, Mount Barker WA 6324
2.00pm Thursday 11 April 2024


Julian Murphy
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Committee Members

Cr B Bell, Cr W Sheard, Cr R Brown - Local Government Elected members (Resolution No. 168/23), Mr K Hemmings – Executive Manager Works and Services, Ms V Gardiner - RoadWise Officer (Resolution No 245/21), Mr A Duffield - Main Roads WA, Sgt D Swain – Mount Barker Police (Resolution 07/24), Mrs E Drage - Community Representative, Mr L Pitt, Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens Association, Mr W Beck, Mount Barker Community College (Resolution No 043/23)

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Presiding Member: Cr B Bell

Deputy Presiding Member: Mr L Pitt

Membership: Quorum (5)

Cr B Bell	Council Representative
Cr W Sheard	Council Representative
Cr R Brown	Council Representative
Mr K Hemmings	Executive Manager Works and Services
Ms V Gardiner	RoadWise Officer
Mr A Duffield	Main Roads WA
Mr B Lenton	Deputy for Main Roads WA
Sgt D Swain	Mount Barker Police
Sen Cons C Tester	Deputy for Mount Barker Police
Mr W Beck	Mount Barker Community College
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

2.00pm Mr Pitt declared the meeting open.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIESAttendance

Cr W Sheard	Council Representative
Mr K Hemmings	Executive Manager Works and Services
Mr B Lenton	Deputy for Main Roads WA
Mr W Beck	Mount Barker Community College
Mrs E Drage	Community Representative
Mr L Pitt	Mount Barker Community College P&C Association

Staff

Mrs H Buffham	Executive Assistant – Works and Services
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Apologies

Cr B Bell	Council Representative
Cr R Brown	Council Representative
Ms V Gardiner	RoadWise Officer
Sgt D Swain	Mount Barker Police
Sen Cons C Tester	Deputy for Mount Barker Police

3 DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Part 5, Division 6, Local Government Act 1995

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Mr Beck, Seconded Mrs Drage

That the minutes of the Meeting of the RoadWise Committee, held on Thursday 8 February 2024 be taken as read and adopted as a correct record.

CARRIED

5 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**5.1 SAFE SPEEDS****5.1.1 SPEED INDICATION DEVICE (SID)**

The SID on Oatlands Road is damaged. Parts have been ordered to replace the screen.

A device has now been installed on Beverley Road, Kendenup.

5.1.2 REGULATORY SPEED SIGNS – KENDENUP

A Kendenup resident has highlighted their concern regarding several speed issues in the Kendenup Townsite.

Mr Hemmings advised that the SID has been installed to assist in slowing the traffic approaching Kendenup townsite on Beverley Road.

Mr Hemmings advised that a group of Kendenup residents had formed the Kendenup Central Town Team Movement (KCTTM). The Council at its meeting on 26 March 2024, supported the KCTTM in their application for grant funding. The purpose of the grant is to install painted signs advising of the speed limit on power poles on Beverley Road. Mr Lenton stipulated that the signs need to be in a format that cannot reproduce a regulatory sign.

Mr Lenton reinforced that the lack of compliance with the regulatory speeds fall to the District Police, however, suggested that the Shire investigate the existing regulatory signs in Kendenup to rationalise their requirements. The last action with the regulatory speed signs in Kendenup was in 2006. Mr Lenton suggested that a proposal be presented to Main Roads WA for minor works to correct any anomalies and make the signage more user friendly.

5.2 SAFE ROAD USE

5.2.1 DRIVER REVIVER

See Attachment One for the Report of the Driver Reviver, held at Tenterden on Friday 1 March 2024.

A letter of thanks has been sent to Mr Brett Waters at the Tenterden Store.

Mrs Drage expressed disappointment that the variable message board (VMB) was late to site and felt this may have impacted numbers. People were not as interested in the consumables supplied and suggested single water bottles be provided.

Mr Lenton advised that the more successful of Driver Revivers have been those incorporating police stops and teaming up with other organisations that provide food. Also noting that in the past water bottles have been obtained from the Water Corporation and items such as maps have been available for distribution.

Mr Pitt suggested feedback regarding the consumables be relayed back to WALGA Roadwise representatives.

5.3 SAFE VEHICLES

Mr Hemmings advised that there are two EV charging stations being installed in Mount Barker. One at the Mount Barker Visitors Centre and one located at the Community Resource Centre. It is intended to have the stations installed within the next six months.

5.4 SAFE ROADS AND ROADSIDES

Mr Hemmings mentioned an incident relating to excess gravel on the path at the Woogenellup Road school crossing. Also advising that kerbing will be installed along the road and footpath for a short distance to prevent the gravel from encroaching the path.

Cr Sheard expressed concerns about the raised crossing that connects the IGA to the businesses on the western side of Lowood Road noting that it continues to cause confusion.

Mr Lenton advised that the raised level does not meet standards noting that it also does not meet the criteria for a cross walk. Suggesting that removal of the raised surface may eliminate the perception of a cross walk.

6 AGENCY REPORTS

6.1 ROADWISE

Report from Ms Gardiner. See Attachment Two.

6.2 MAIN ROADS WA

Mr Lenton reported that patching had been carried out within the Mount Barker townsite noting that maintenance was now being done by the internal team rather than contractors, which is going well.

The 80km speed on Albany Highway has been extended to north of Albany Airport and positive feedback has been received regarding the change.

Work is intended to commence soon on Muir Highway and shoulder sealing on Albany Highway, north of Tunney. Mr Lenton encouraged the adherence to speed signs at road work sites regardless of workers being on site, as the job is likely to not be complete.

6.3 MOUNT BARKER POLICE

No report received from the Mount Barker Police.

6.4 SHIRE OF PLANTAGENET

Mr Hemmings reported on the progress of the Shire's construction programme for 2023/2024. The Newman Road project has been carried over to 2024/2025. A resheet to Jackson Road from Old Coach Road to Settlement Road will now be applied in 2023/2024. Work on Barrow Road is complete, with crew moving to The Springs Road for resheeting of failed sections. Carbarup Road sealing is complete with minor issues being addressed by the contractors.

Drainage works would begin on the major sealed roads starting with Martagallup Road and then on to Beverley Road.

Tactile pavers will be applied to the pram ramps that do not currently have them.

Mr Hemmings advised that the issue of speeding vehicles on Ormond Road could potentially be addressed using State Black Spot funding.

6.5 MOUNT BARKER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

No report provided.

6.6 COMMUNITY MEMBER

No report provided.

6.7 MOUNT BARKER COMMUNITY COLLEGE P & C

Mr Pitt reported that he has stepped down from the MBCC P & C advising that he is happy to attend the Roadwise meetings until someone is appointed to the position.

7 NEXT MEETING

2.00pm Thursday 13 June 2024

8 MEETING CLOSURE

3.06pm Mr Pitt declared the meeting closed.

Presiding Member

Date

ATTACHMENT ONE

Helen Buffham

From: Nathanael Taekema
Sent: Friday, 22 March 2024 4:04 PM
To: Andrew Duffield (RM); Andrew Fraser; Brad Lenton; CR Brett Bell; CR Rosie Brown; CR Warren Sheard; Elsa Drage (elsa.drage@yahoo.com.au); KEMPTON Kristy [PD87549] (Kristy.KEMPTON@police.wa.gov.au); Kevin Hemmings; Mr Leon Pitt; Sgt David Swain; Snr Const. Craig Tester; Vivienne Gardiner; Wesley Beck
Cc: Helen Buffham
Subject: 1 March 2024 Driver Reviver Report

Good afternoon,

The Driver Reviver was held on Friday 21 March 2024 from 12pm to 10pm at the Tenterden Store.

There was a total of 24 vehicles stop, 32 people used the tea and coffee service and 22 used the ablution facility.

Once again, thanks go to the Volunteers who gave up their time to assist on the day and particularly Elsa for organizing the volunteers and Brett for arranging the portable toilet to be on site and returned to Mount Barker Hire.

Also thanks to Brad Lenton, Main Roads for arranging the VMB to warn travellers of the stop and Mike Barnes and the SES for the use of their lighting tower.

Brett Waters, provided the verandah at his shop to set up and use his power. This is particularly appreciated and saves a lot of set up time not having to put the marquee up.

Kind regards
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Acknowledgement of Country

The Shire of Plantagenet acknowledges the traditional custodians of our area and their continuing connection to the land and community. We pay our respects to all members of the Menang Noongar community and their culture; and to Elders past, present and emerging.

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ATTACHMENT TWO

Shire of Plantagenet RoadWise Committee RoadWise Report – April 2024

1. RoadWise Councils Update

The Great Southern has 9 Local Governments registered as RoadWise Councils including the Shire of Plantagenet.

Also available to registered RoadWise Councils is '*RoadWise Recognised*'. This initiative is designed to assist RoadWise Councils to recognise their influence on road safety, benchmark and monitor road safety action, and provide formal recognition for their efforts and outcomes through the allocation and accumulation of ribbons and points. The Ribbon rating indicates effort in the application of a holistic approach to road safety across governance, management and operations. Points signify the effort and expected effectiveness of the road safety actions and interventions delivered.

It is the responsibility of the Road Safety Advisor, Vivienne Gardiner to report quarterly on the achievements of the registered Councils. The third quarterly reporting period has just been completed, the Shire of Plantagenet has reported road safety actions for the Oct-Dec 2023 period and most recently January – March 2024.

2. Blackspot Programs – call for submissions

The Australian Blackspot Program and the State Blackspot Program both opened for submissions in April 2024 and will **close 12 July 2024**. [Road safety Programs | Main Roads Western Australia](#)

The Australian Black Spot Program is 100% funded. The State Black Spot program is complimentary to the existing Australian Government Black Spot Program. However, it is intended that the State Programs will enable application of funds to a wider range of projects. The program funds up to 50% of the project.

Note: Blackspot applications can be challenging for regional Local Governments where traffic volumes are low and less crash data is available. Typically, regional applications require a formal Road Safety Audit. Main Roads WA has created a road safety position dedicated to supporting Local Government. This position has been undertaking audits throughout the Great Southern.

3. Streets Alive

Streets Alive Funding is a collaboration between WALGA, Town Teams, Main Roads WA and Road Safety Commission to support eligible community organisations and local government projects designed to calm traffic on local roads in townsites areas across WA. [Welcome to Streets Alive! - Streets Alive](#)

Stream 1 offers 'seed' grants of **\$5,000 inc GST** in all towns and neighbourhoods across WA for eligible community groups; expressions of interest will be received from 1 April and

Stream 2 offers grants of **\$50,000 inc GST** and **\$100,000 inc GST** in all towns and neighbourhoods across WA for eligible community groups and LGAs. Details for this stream will be available in May.

Town Team Movement have developed a 'Safer Speeds and Better Places' toolkit available for free download here which provides ideas through case studies.

Stream 1 Information Sessions:

12 - 1pm (Midday) Tuesday 9 April 2024 via Zoom <https://events.humanitix.com/streets-alive-webinar-1>

6 - 7pm, Tuesday 9 April 2024 via Zoom <https://events.humanitix.com/streets-alive-webinar-2>

4. Vanguards – Local Government Road Safety Program

The Local Government Road Safety Vanguard program is being held from Tuesday 30 April to Thursday 2 May at the Bunbury Regional Entertainment Centre. It is open to Local Government officers and Elected Members, this **free** workshop will provide practical information for reducing road trauma.

It is being delivered by Main Roads WA in partnership with WALGA and the WA Centre for Road Safety Research, The University of Western Australia, and The University of Adelaide's Centre for Automotive Safety Research (CASR).

As well as gaining knowledge about modern approaches to road safety, this workshop will look at best practice on a range of topics including applying systems thinking, and innovations and advancements in vehicle and infrastructure safety.

There are only a few seats remaining, so book now at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/local-government-road-safety-vanguards-2024-tickets-799216125947>

For more information contact: vanguards@mainroads.wa.gov.au