



## **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.*

Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Committee held in the  
Council Committee Room, Lowood Road, Mount Barker WA 6324  
2.00pm Thursday 1 October 2015

**Rob Stewart**  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Committee Members

*Cr Len Handasyde, Cr Gert Messmer - Local Government Elected members, Mr Dominic Le Cerf - Manager Works and Services, Ms Erin McDonald-Lee - RoadWise Officer, Mr Andrew Duffield - Main Roads WA, Sergeant Gailene Hamilton - Mount Barker Police (Resolution No 245/14), Mr Roger Barrett - Mount Barker Community College (Resolution No 253/13), Mr Arthur Patterson - Community Representative, Ms M Ballard – Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens Association (Resolution No. 106/15)*

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**Presiding Member: Cr Len Handasyde**

**Deputy Presiding Member: Mr Dominic Le Cerf**

**Membership: Quorum (6)**

Cr L Handasyde	Council Representative
Cr B Bell	Deputy for Cr Handasyde
Cr G Messmer	Council Representative
Cr Pavlovich	Deputy for Cr Messmer
Mr D Le Cerf	Manager Works and Services
Ms E McDonald-Lee	RoadWise Officer
Mr A Duffield	Main Roads WA
Mr L McCartin	Deputy for Mr A Duffield
Sgt G Hamilton	Mount Barker Police
First Class Constable K Brown	Deputy for Sgt G Hamilton
Mr R Barrett	Mount Barker Community College
Mr W Beck	Deputy for Mr R Barrett
Mr A Patterson	Community Representative
Ms M Ballard	Mount Barker Community College P&C Association
Mr A Fraser	Deputy for Ms M Ballard

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**1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS**

At 2.05pm the Presiding Member declared the meeting open.

**2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES**Attendance

Cr L Handasyde	Council Representative
Cr G Messmer	Council Representative
Mr D Le Cerf	Manager Works and Services
Mr A Duffield	Main Roads WA
Sgt G Hamilton	Mount Barker Police
Mr R Barrett	Mount Barker Community College
Mr A Patterson	Community Representative
Ms M Ballard	Mount Barker Community College P&C Association

Staff

Ms A Chadbourne	Senior Administration/Project Officer Works and Services
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Apologies

Ms E McDonald-Lee	RoadWise Officer
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**3 DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

There was no disclosure of interests by Committee Members.

**4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Moved Mr R Barrett, Seconded Ms M Ballard;**

**That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Committee, held on Thursday 10 September 2015 as circulated, be taken as read and adopted as a correct record.**

**CARRIED**

**5 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS****5.1 ACTION PLAN FOR 2015**

Refer to Action Plan.

**5.2 SAFE SPEEDS****5.2.1 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS**

It was noted that Main Roads are keen to assist Local Governments with the loan of speed trailers or Variable Message Boards (VMB).

## 5.3 SAFE ROAD USE

### 5.3.1 DRIVER REVIVER

The meeting discussed the Driver Reviver held on Friday 25 September starting at 4.00pm and running until midnight.

Statistics showed 33 cars stopped and 55 people were served during the evening. It was observed by volunteers that fewer cars were on the road than the same time last year, possibly due to the AFL football finals. It was also noted that some of the cars stopping admitted to doing so for the first time.

Suggestions for improvement focused on brighter lighting and more signage leading up to the location. Options for other methods of lighting including hiring a light tower for the evening or requesting funding for lighting be put forward for consideration in the Shire of Plantagenet's 2016/17 budget.

***Action: Mr Le Cerf be requested to research options for lighting at the site including the light installed by Apex. The research is to include whether the light was operational.***

Mr Le Cerf asked it be noted the organisation of the Driver Reviver involved a significant amount of Shire employee time. It was suggested that perhaps more community involvement could be involved with the setting up and running of the event.

See Attachment One for media release advertising the event and statistics from the evening.

### 5.3.2 ALBANY HIGHWAY PROJECT

The Road Safety Grant acquittal is near completion and will include information collated by students at the Mount Barker Community College.

### 5.3.3 ROAD RIBBON FOR ROAD SAFETY® CAMPAIGN

This year the Road Ribbon for Road Safety® campaign will run from Sunday 15 November to 8 January 2016 (see Attachment Two).

The meeting noted that Shire administration staff would be using the WALGA RoadWise package which contains campaign resources and tools. The ribbons can be ordered at no charge.

### 5.3.4 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Refer to Action Plan.

## 5.4 SAFE VEHICLES

### 5.4.1 DAYTIME RUNNING LIGHTS

The meeting discussed daytime running lights on Australian vehicles.

Rather than attempting to take the topic further, it was agreed the Plantagenet RoadWise Committee should stay local and promote daytime running lights in the region. This 'mini-campaign' would be an annual one starting around Easter after the Blessing of the Roads campaign.

Media would focus on the signs installed on Albany Highway particularly the 'Light Up Be Seen' sign. Mr Barrett advised the statistics collated by the year 8 students at the Mount Barker Community College (MBCC) could be included.

***Action: Ms Chadbourne be requested to diarise the promotion of daytime running lights starting around Easter and running as an annual media campaign.***

### 5.4.2 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Refer to Action Plan.

## 5.5 SAFE ROADS & ROADSIDES

### 5.5.1 SMALL MESSAGES

Mr Duffield advised MRWA had no specific 'small signs' policy but would be open to proposals for trialling a planned sequence of small message signs on Albany Highway. It was suggested these signs could be placed in areas of bad crash history on Albany Highway.

***Action: Mr Duffield be requested to put together a proposal for a sequence of small message signs on Albany Highway in the Great Southern Region and present to the RoadWise Committee.***

As requested, Ms McDonald-Lee presented a drawing of a permanent Driver Reviver sign. The meeting agreed it needed to be updated. See Attachment Three

**Mr Le Cerf left the meeting at 2.45pm.**

### 5.5.2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF STUDENT SUPPORT

The meeting looked at a design for the proposed Plantagenet RoadWise Committee pull-up banner suggested by Mr Barrett at the previous meeting in September. The meeting agreed the basic design was good but the photos needed to include more

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people, possibly school students or members of the community rather than objects or events. See Attachment Four.

***Action: Ms McDonald-Lee be requested to present a revised design of the proposed Plantagenet RoadWise Committee pull-up banner.***

Mr Barrett presented a design from the MBCC students for the pin-on badge. Mr Barrett had suggested the idea of presenting badges to students in recognition of their volunteering with RoadWise activities at the last meeting in September. See Attachment Four.

Mr Barrett had done some costing on the production of the badges and stated that 100 badges would work out at \$6.30 per badge. The meeting looked at the design and suggested it be reworked and presented at the meeting in December. It was also suggested Mr Barrett look at the costs.

***Action: Mr Barrett be requested to present a revised version of the proposed pin-on badges for RoadWise volunteers (particularly students) and to include costing options.***

***Action: Ms Chadbourne be requested to discuss the concept of the Plantagenet RoadWise Committee volunteer badges and the pull-up banner with Mr Le Cerf and the Chief Executive Officer.***

Funding of the pull-up banner and the badges was discussed. Ms McDonald-Lee had informed Ms Chadbourne that RoadWise would be able to contribute some of the cost of the two items. Other funding options were to be discussed at the RoadWise Committee meeting in December.

### 5.5.3 OATLANDS ROAD – SPEED ISSUE

A request was received from a resident advising of his concern about the speed of vehicles on Oatlands Road. See Attachment Five which includes a map and traffic counts.

The Committee discussed the issue of speed on Oatlands Road as highlighted by a resident. It was agreed this was a Shire issue as the speed signs were standard according to MRWA regulations.

Oatlands Road from Albany Highway to where it becomes Porongurup Road was discussed and it was highlighted that it was not a consistent road in that sections of it were different, some areas of the road wider than others, some areas without kerbs which possibly leads to confusion for motorists. It was

suggested this was an issue the Shire needed to look at and possibly plan for the future.

#### 5.5.4 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Refer to Action Plan.

## 6 AGENCY REPORTS

### 6.1 ROADWISE

The Mount Barker Community Fair is to be held on Saturday 28 November from 9am to 4pm at Frost Park. A stall has been booked for the RoadWise Committee. See Attachment Five.

The Committee discuss plans for the RoadWise Stall and Mr Barrett suggested the students from the MBCC could be involved.

***Action: Ms Chadbourne be requested to discuss the use of the RoadWise information trailer with Ms McDonald-Lee and organise a roster for volunteers for the Mount Barker Community Fair.***

### 6.2 MAIN ROADS WA

Mr Duffield presented a report from MRWA. He highlighted the four passing lanes which are to be built on Albany Highway. Two are to be built at Tunney, one at Martagallup Road and one at Woogenellup Road.

Widening of Albany Highway is continuing at Kojonup at the airport and two more passing lanes are to be built in 2016. Mr Duffield also discussed the Pardellup Bridge works which are currently in the planning and budgeting stage.

Mr Barrett asked about the lack of directional signs for the Narrikup townsite.

***Action: Mr Duffield be requested to look at directional signage for the Narrikup townsite on Albany Highway.***

Also discussed was the recent accident where Woogenellup Road intersects with Chester Pass Road (Lake Grace Road). Sergeant Hamilton suggested the signs needed looking at.

***Action: Mr Duffield be requested to organise a review of the signs at the intersection of Woogenellup Road where it intersects with Chester Pass Road.***

### 6.3 MOUNT BARKER POLICE



Sergeant Hamilton confirmed the Mount Barker Police were participating in the Road Ribbons for Road Safety® campaign. This is to be a state wide Police campaign.

#### **6.4 SHIRE OF PLANTAGENET**

Mr Le Cerf had left the meeting early so no report was presented.

#### **7 NEXT MEETING**

Thursday 3 December 2015 at 2.00pm.

#### **8 MEETING CLOSURE**

At 3.25pm the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed.

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Presiding Member

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Date

