

### **ROADWISE STEERING COMMITTEE**

# **MINUTES**

**SECTION 5.9(2)(c) LGA 1995** 

The functions of the RoadWise Steering 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 Steering Committee held in the Council Committee Room, Lowood Road, Mount Barker WA 6324, 2.00pm Thursday 3 March 2011

### 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 Kendra Green - RoadWise Officer, Mr Andrew Duffield - Main Roads WA, Sergeant Allan Keogh - Mount Barker Police, Mr Wesley Beck - Mount Barker Community College, Vacant - Community Representative, Mr Norm Bario — Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens Association, Machelle Jeffrey — Department of Transport (Resolution No. 307/09 and 181/10)

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Chairperson: Cr L Handasyde

**Deputy Chairperson: Mr D Le Cerf** 

### **Membership: Quorum (5)**

Cr L Handasyde Council Representative
Cr G Messmer Council Representative

Mr D Le Cerf Manager Works and Services

Miss K Green RoadWise Officer
Mr A Duffield Main Roads WA
Sgt A Keogh Mount Barker Police

Mr W Beck Mount Barker Community College

Vacant Community Representative

Mr N Bario Mount Barker Community College P&C Association

Ms M Jeffrey Department of Transport

### 1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

2.09pm, Cr Handasyde declared the meeting open.

### 2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

<u>Present</u>

Cr Len Handasyde Chairperson

Cr Gert Messmer Council Representative
Miss Kendra Green RoadWise Officer

Ms Machelle Jeffrey Department of Transport

Mr Wesley Beck Mount Barker Community College

**Observer** 

Constable Anthony Gillam Mount Barker Police

<u>Staff</u>

Ms Sharon Lynch Administration Officer Works & Services

**Apologies** 

Mr Andrew Duffield Main Roads WA

Mr Dominic Le Cerf Manager Works and Services

Mr Norm Bario Mount Barker Community College P&C

Sgt Allan Keogh Mount Barker Police

### 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: Cr Messmer, seconded: Miss Green

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Steering

Committee held on 20 January 2011 be confirmed.

**CARRIED** 

### 4 PRIORITY SETTING AND ACTION PLAN - 2010/2011

Moved: Cr Messmer, seconded: Mr Beck

That it be a recommendation to the Council:

That the RoadWise Steering Committee Priority Setting and Action Plan 2010/2011 be accepted and referred to the Council for adoption.

**CARRIED** 

### 5 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

### 5.1 SAFE SPEEDS

### 5.1.1 SAM TRAILER – CALENDAR 2011

Ms Lynch advised the 12 month calendar of proposed usage for the SAM trailer needs to be reviewed and updated.

The Committee agreed the following locations should be included on the 12 month calendar:

- Albany Highway south of Mount Barker 90km/h zone
- Albany Highway north of Mount Barker
- Mitchell Street 70km/h zone
- Langton Road
- Red Gum Pass Road

Action: Ms Lynch to organise the SAM Trailer to be placed on Albany Highway on 4 March 2011 for the Labour Day holiday.

Discussion occurred about amphometer based speed cameras and some thought was given to further investigation.

### 5.1.2 SPEED ZONE REDUCTION – LANGTON ROAD

Ms Lynch advised the speed zone reduction proposal for Langton Road was sent to Main Roads WA on 1 September 2010.

Action: Ms Lynch to liaise with Mr Duffield to determine the status of the Langton Road speed zone reduction proposal and if Main Roads WA Network Operations Section has undertaken an assessment.

Action: Ms Lynch to liaise with Mr Le Cerf to ensure the actions from the meeting held 20 January 2011 are undertaken in relation to the Red Gum Pass Road speed zone reduction.

#### 5.1.3 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

No discussion occurred.

### 5.2 SAFE ROAD USE

### 5.2.1 BLESSING OF THE ROADS

Ms Lynch confirmed the Blessing of the Roads ceremony will be held on Monday 11 April 2011 at 2.00pm. The Mount Barker Community College has accepted the invitation to be part of the ceremony. The College students will be laying some flowers to represent lives lost on our roads in the Great Southern Region.

Ms Lynch advised invites and media will be organised shortly.

## 5.2.2 WORK WITH LOCAL WINERIES TO PROMOTE THE 'SIGN OF SAFETY'

Ms Lynch advised the letters have been sent to those wineries who have not installed the Sign of Safety signs encouraging them to participate in the program. One winery has already made contact with RoadWise to install the signs.

## 5.2.3 ALBANY HIGHWAY PROJECT – PROMOTING DAYTIME RUNNING LIGHTS

Miss Green tabled and discussed the draft grant application for the 'Targeting fatigued and distracted drivers in the Great Southern' project. Miss Green suggested Committee members review the application over the next week and then provide comments.

### **Actions:**

- Ms Lynch to circulate the draft grant application for the 'Targeting fatigued and distracted drivers in the Great Southern' project to Committee members for review and comment. Comments to be provided to Miss Green.
- Mr Le Cerf and Ms Lynch to provide assistance in costing the signage component of the grant application.

Cr Messmer advised all new cars and light vans being produced in European automotive factories must now be equipped with automatic Daytime Running Lights.

Mr Beck advised the SGIO Community Grants program is open. The program supports organisations that are committed to making our community safer, particularly in the areas of crime prevention and road safety.

### 5.2.4 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Miss Green advised a state wide competition to 'Win an iPad' finished on Monday. A display in the foyer and entry forms were available on the front counter of the Shire Administration Office. This will be recorded in the Action Plan.

#### 5.3 SAFE VEHICLES

### 5.3.1 INCREASE AWARENESS OF ANCAP RATINGS – MEDIA/COMPETITION

Miss Green discussed with the Committee different media and competition ideas to increase the awareness of ANCAP ratings.

The Committee agreed the competition winner should receive a \$100.00 cash prize towards vehicle repairs or a service. The winner will need to provide evidence of the vehicle repairs or the service in order to redeem the prize.

Action: Miss Green to develop the media concept and competition idea to increase awareness of ANCAP ratings.

#### 5.3.2 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

No discussion occurred.

#### 5.4 SAFE ROADS & ROADSIDES

### 5.4.1 ROAD NOISE AND FATIGUE

Cr Messmer informed the Committee he forwarded the evidence regarding road noise and fatigue to Miss Green. Miss Green advised the research and evidence available is based in a workplace situation and this research can't be transferred over to the scenario of road noise and fatigue. Miss Green advised fatigue is being addressed through the Action Plan and questioned what outcomes the Committee were aiming to achieve in pursing the link between road noise and fatigue.

Action: Miss Green to discuss road noise and fatigue with the Office of Road Safety.

### 5.4.2 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

No discussion occurred.

### 6 OTHER BUSINESS

### 6.1 STUDENT PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS – ALBANY HIGHWAY

Cr Handasyde informed the Committee that he received a call from a local citizen who reported that a child was nearly run over near the BP Service Station. Mr Beck advised he was still waiting to hear back from Mr Jonathan Hoskin and if the application for a student pedestrian crossing on Albany Highway has been submitted.

Action: Mr Beck to urgently speak with Mr Jonathan Hoskin to determine if the application for a student pedestrian crossing on Albany Highway has been submitted.

### 6.2 REGIONAL ROAD SAFETY OFFICER REPORT

Miss Green provided a brochure to Committee members regarding the changes to Mobile Phone Laws that are effective 1 March 2011:

- A mobile phone may only be used by the driver of motor vehicle to make or receive a phone call while driving if the phone is either:
  - Secured in a mounting affixed to the vehicle; or
  - o If not secured, can be operated without touching it.
- It will be an offence to create, send or look at a text message, video message, email or similar communication while driving.

Ms Lynch advised a memo will be circulated to all staff notifying them of the changes to mobile phone laws.

Ms Jeffrey distributed brochures and provided an overview of the new demerit system for Novice (L or P-Plate) Drivers. From 1 December 2010 novice drivers need to take good care of their points as they will be allowed to gain fewer demerits before they lose their licence.

Miss Green advised she has some funding available that can be spent on purchasing prizes for competitions for the four cornerstones. The Committee discussed a number of different ideas including fuel vouchers and agreed to finalise a list of prizes at the next meeting.

### **Actions:**

- Committee members to think about different ideas for competition prizes for the four cornerstones and report back at the next meeting.
- Miss Green to determine the maximum dollar amount the prizes can be worth.

Discussion continued about working with the Mount Barker Police to reward motorists and bike riders who are obeying the law.

### 7 NEXT MEETING

2.00pm, Thursday 5 May 2011

### 8 MEETING CLOSURE

3.06pm, The Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED: CHAIRPERSON DATE / /
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