

## **ROADWISE STEERING COMMITTEE**

# MINUTES

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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 4 March 2010.

#### Rob Stewart CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**Committee Members** 

Cr Len Handasyde, Cr Sue Etherington - 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 Spicer - Mount Barker Police, Mr Wesley Beck - Mount Barker Community College, Vacant - Community Representative, Norm Bario – Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens Association (Resolution No. 307/09)

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#### Chairperson: Cr L Handasyde

#### Deputy Chairperson: Mr D Le Cerf

#### Membership: Quorum (5)

Cr L Handasyde	Council Representative
Mr D Le Cerf	Manager Works and Services
Ms K Green	RoadWise Officer
Mr A Duffield	Main Roads WA
Sgt A Spicer	Mount Barker Police
Mr W Beck	Mount Barker Community College
Vacant	Community Representative
Mr N Bario	Mount Barker Community College P&C Association
Cr Sue Etherington	Council Representative

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

2.03pm, Cr Handasyde declared the meeting open.

#### 2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

<u>Present</u>	
Cr Len Handasyde	Chairperson
Ms Kendra Green	RoadWise Officer
Mr Wesley Beck	Mount Barker Community College
Sgt Allan Spicer	Mount Barker Police
Mr Norm Bario	Mount Barker Community College P&C

<u>Staff</u> Ms Donna Stevens

Administration Officer Works & Services

<u>Apologies</u> Cr Sue Etherington Mr Dominic Le Cerf Mr Andrew Duffield

Council Representative Manager Works and Services Main Roads WA

#### **3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

#### Moved: Mr Beck, seconded: Sgt Spicer

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Steering Committee held on 21 January 2010 be confirmed.

#### CARRIED

#### 4 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

#### 4.1 SAFE SPEEDS

4.1.1 SAM TRAILER

Action: Ms Lynch to prepare a schedule for the use of the Speed Trailer.

4.1.2 WORKSHOP IDEAS FOR STRATEGIC DIRECTION FOR 2010 FOR SAFE SPEEDS

Ms Green discussed the new structure of the Agenda and provided the Committee with a 2010/2011 Priority Setting and Action Plan, based on the four cornerstones of the Strategic Plan:

- Safe Speeds;
- Safe Road Use;
- Safer Roads; and
- Safer Vehicles.

A different cornerstone would be discussed at each meeting with Safe Speeds being scheduled for this meeting.

Ms Green defined the strategy of Safe Speed as the 'need to manage speed to suit the standard of the road and the vehicle to keep crash energies within human tolerance limits.'

Four key areas identified in the WA Road Safety Strategy – Towards Zero approach to safe speed are:

- Better speed enforcement and education campaigns on speed reduction;
- Further research and community consultation on safe speed limits;
- Demonstration projects to reduce travel speeds and raise community awareness of the implications of speed limit reductions; and
- Targeted speed limit reductions in areas of high pedestrian activity.

It was suggested by Ms Green that the Committee consider the following activities to assist in achieving the safe speed key areas:

- Identification of targeted speed zone reductions;
- Sam Trailer schedule;
- Policing enforcement;
- Bin sticker project;
- Media; and
- Public education about travel speeds and crashes.

The Committee identified Langton Road as one road that was in need of a speed reduction. Action: Ms Green to investigate the process of altering road speed limits.

#### 4.2 SAFE ROAD USE

#### 4.2.1 BLESSING OF THE ROADS

Ms Stevens advised that the Blessing of the Roads has been scheduled for 31 March 2010 at 11.00am at the Margery Bourke Gardens (Administration Office).

Invites have been forwarded to all community religious leaders, Main Roads WA representatives, Emergency Service representatives and the Hon. Terry Redman – MLA.

The Mount Barker Community College has been asked to participate in the Blessing, with details yet to be finalised.

An advertisement has been placed in the Plantagenet News inviting members of the community.

The Council's Shire President, Ken Clements and Chief Executive Officer, Rob Stewart will be saying a few words.

4.2.2 WORK WITH LOCAL WINERIES TO PROMOTE THE 'SIGN OF SAFETY'

Sgt Spicer has contacted both the Mount Barker and Porongurup Growers Associations to find out who currently displays the Sign of Safety signs. There are only three wineries that don't currently display the signs and two others that have began the licensing process to organise their own signs.

Action: Ms Green will organise new signs to be delivered to the Police Station for Sgt Spicer to deliver to the wineries.

4.2.3 ALBANY HIGHWAY PROJECT – PROMOTING DAYTIME RUNNING LIGHTS

Ms Green is meeting in Perth next week to discuss the promotion of Daytime Running Lights (DRL), with her Roadwise colleagues.

Ms Green advised that statistics will be required to support the funding application.

Mr Beck offered to talk to all fire brigades members at their annual Easter Meeting regarding keeping statistics from accident sites on whether or not vehicles were using their lights during daylight.

#### 4.3 SAFE VEHICLES

4.3.1 LOBBY VEHICLE MANUFACTURERS / FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR MANDATORY DAYTIME RUNNING LIGHTS

The Committee discussed the most effective ways to progress this issue. A decision was made to compile any statistics available and begin corresponding with stakeholders such as, motor vehicle manufacturers and insurance companies to gain support for mandatory daytime running lights.

Action: Ms Green is to:

- Compile a list of motor vehicle manufacturers and draft a letter to be reviewed at the next meeting;
- Contact the Australasian New Car Assessment Program (ANCAP) to see if daytime running lights are included as necessary in their 5 star rating; and
- Discuss with RAC their position and see if they have statistics.

#### 4.4 SAFE ROADS & ROADSIDES

Nil.

#### 5 OTHER BUSINESS

#### 5.1 VACANT POSITION – COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE

The Committee decided not to readvertise the position of Community Representative for the Roadwise Steering Committee until June 2010.

#### 5.2 WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Ms Stevens advised that correspondence was received from Detail Marketing Communications for Walk Safely to School Day, requesting organisations become involved in the annual Walk Safely to School Day on 7 May 2010.

Mr Beck advised that the students at the Mount Barker Community College are going to participate in the annual Ride Safely to School campaign, but agreed to take the information back to the school for consideration.

#### 5.3 ROADWISE FATIGUE ROAD BLOCK

Ms Green advised that Roadwise will be undertaking its annual Fatigue Road Block on Thursday 1 April 2010 at the Millbrook overtaking lane on Albany Highway in preparation for the Easter Long Weekend.

#### 5.4 TRAFFIC COUNTS

Recent traffic counts were undertaken on Mount Barker Road and Mitchell Street in Mount Barker. Counts showed over 50% of vehicles were speeding on Mount Barker Road and 30% of vehicles were speeding on Mitchell Street where speed limits have now been formalised.

#### 6 NEXT MEETING

2.00pm, Thursday 6 May 2010

#### 7 MEETING CLOSURE

3.13pm, The Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED: CHAIRPERSON \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_/\_/\_