



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 5 February 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 245/14), Mr Roger Barrett - Mount Barker Community College (Resolution No 253/13), Mr Arthur Patterson - Community Representative, Machel Jeffrey – Department of Transport (Resolution No. 253/13), Mrs H Adams – Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens Association (Resolution No. 128/14)

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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 P Stringer	Deputy for Mr A Duffield
Sgt G Hamilton	Mount Barker Police
First Class Constable K Brown	Deputy for Sgt A Keogh
Mr R Barrett	Mount Barker Community College
Mr W Beck	Deputy for Mr R Barrett
Mr A Patterson	Community Representative
Mrs H Adams	Mount Barker Community College P&C Association
Mr A Fraser	Deputy for Mrs H Adams
Ms M Jeffrey	Department of Transport
Ms B Murphy	Deputy for Ms M Jeffrey

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

At 2.00pm the Acting Presiding Member, Mr Dominic Le Cerf declared the meeting open.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIESPresent

Cr L Handasyde	Council Representative (from 2.30pm)
Cr G Messmer	Council Representative
Mr Dominic Le Cerf	Manager Works and Services
Ms E McDonald-Lee	RoadWise Officer
Mr R Barrett	Mount Barker Community College
Mr A Patterson	Community Representative
Ms M Jeffrey	Department of Transport
Sergeant Gailene Hamilton	Mount Barker Police

Staff

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

Mr A Duffield	Main Roads WA
Mrs H Adams	Mount Barker Community College P&C Association

Observers

Ms Sarah Skitt	Student, Mount Barker Community College
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3 DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

There were no disclosures by Committee Members.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Cr G Messmer, Seconded Ms E McDonald-Lee:

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Committee, held on Thursday 6 November 2014 as circulated, be taken as read and adopted as a correct record.

CARRIED

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

Committee members expressed support for the 2015 Action Plan. See Attachment One.

5.2 SAFE SPEEDS

5.2.1 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

The speed trailer has been repaired. See the proposed schedule at Attachment One.

5.3 SAFE ROAD USE

5.3.1 DRIVER REVIVER

The next Driver Reviver is planned for the long weekend of Friday 27 and Saturday 28 February 2015 at the northern Cranbrook turn off on Albany Highway. Plans are underway and a roster has been emailed out to the committee and interested community members.

The possibility of a MOU between the Cranbrook and Plantagenet Shires and Cranbrook and Tambellup Primary Schools was discussed. Ms McDonald-Lee said she has spoken with Mr Northover, CEO of Cranbrook Shire about this and it is ongoing.

5.3.2 ALBANY HIGHWAY PROJECT

Ms Chadbourne advised the lights and tripod for the Driver Reviver are being purchased.

5.3.3 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Ms Chadbourne advised a media article highlighting the annual achievements of the committee had been published in the Plantagenet News. See Attachment Two.

5.3.4 BLESSING OF THE ROADS

The Blessing of the Roads is to be organised by the Shire this year and would be held in the last week of March – Good Friday is 3 April 2015. Information would be available soon and committee members were encouraged to assist with its distribution. Suggestions for a potential speaker focused on a local person with either direct experience in an accident or an emergency services representative. Committee members were encouraged to both attend the event and pass on any ideas.

5.4 SAFE VEHICLES

5.4.1 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

No items were discussed.

5.5 SAFE ROADS & ROADSIDES

5.5.1 RED GUM PASS/LAKE MATILDA ROAD INTERSECTION

The Shire has been advised the application to the Black Spot Funding program for this intersection is on the Regional Road Group Black Spot Program reserve list. Mr Le Cerf advised an application will be sent off again for 2016/17.

5.5.2 HANNAN WAY TURN OFF INTO NARRIKUP FROM ALBANY HIGHWAY

At a workshop held on 16 September 2014, Councillors discussed and advised it was preferred to leave Hannan Way (south) open. The realignment of the entrance of Jackson Road into Albany Highway could be considered as a safer option.

Main Roads advised that the turn off does not qualify for a passing bulge.

Action: Mr Patterson advised he would contact the complainant and advise of the decision and to direct any further queries to Main Roads.

2.30pm CR L HANDASYDE ENTERED THE MEETING
MR LE CERF CONTINUED AS PRESIDING MEMBER

5.5.3 SMALL MESSAGES

Ms McDonald-Lee advised she hadn't been able to find any relevant studies on this topic. More discussion would take place at the next committee meeting in April 2015.

Action: Ms McDonald-Lee advised she would contact Vic Roads for more information.

Action: Mr Duffield advised he would bring any Main Roads sign policies relevant to the idea to the next meeting (action from meeting of 4 September 2014).

5.5.4 SIGHT LINES AT INTERSECTION OF YELLANUP ROAD AND ALBANY HIGHWAY

Mr Le Cerf advised the pruning had been completed by Main Roads.

Action: Mr Patterson advised he would contact the complainant and advise the pruning had been completed.

5.5.5 INTERSECTION OF LANGTON ROAD AND MARMION STREET

The committee discussed the results of the traffic count taken at the intersection of Langton Road and Marmion Street in November 2014 (see Attachment Three). The results showed 57% on Langton Road and 25% of the vehicles on Marmion Street were travelling in excess of the signed speed limit of 50km/hour.

Sgt Hamilton advised Mount Barker Police are aware of speeding motorists at the Langton Road and Marmion Street intersection and regularly target the intersection. Ms Jeffrey advised drivers licence applicants are often failed at this intersection. She suggested current signage was too far away from the intersection, particularly on the northern side of Marmion Street.

Moved Cr G Messmer, Seconded Cr L Handasyde:

That Ms Chadbourne be requested to contact Main Roads WA to see if a formal review of the Langton Road and Marmion Street intersection could be undertaken to determine the most appropriate signage.

CARRIED

5.5.6 PARDELUP BRIDGE – TRUCK ROLL OVER

Ms Chadbourne advised a letter has been sent to Main Roads requesting an audit for the Pardelup bridge section of road on Muir Highway (see Attachment Four). Mr Le Cerf stated he had received a draft reply from Main Roads advising the bridge may be realigned and box culverts would be installed depending on funding.

Action: Mr Le Cerf advised he would bring a copy of the letter from Main Roads re Pardelup Bridge to the next RoadWise Committee meeting.

5.5.7 RAC RISKY ROADS SURVEY

The committee noted the results of the RAC Risky Roads Survey 2014. See Attachment Five.

5.5.8 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Ms McDonald-Lee presented a report on the Safe Roads and Roadsides competition held in conjunction with the Mount Barker Community College Students at the IGA on 24 October 2014. Cr Messmer expressed thanks to the students for their involvement.

Action: *Mr Le Cerf advised he would send a letter of thanks to Mr Andrew Fraser, Principal, Mount Barker Community College.*

6 AGENCY REPORTS

6.1 ROADWISE

Ms McDonald-Lee advised a Great Southern RoadWise Forum would be held in June/July, possibly in Cranbrook. All committees and their members in the Great Southern would be invited to share ideas and experiences. Mr Barrett commented it would be good for MBCC students to attend.

6.2 MAIN ROADS WA

Mr Duffield was absent from the meeting and did not provide a report

6.3 MOUNT BARKER POLICE

Sergeant Hamilton from the Mount Barker Police advised this was the first time she had been part of a RoadWise Committee. She advised the police were targeting a variety of road behaviours in Mount Barker. She commented on the prevalence of motorists ignoring white lines on Albany Highway between Mount Barker and Albany.

6.4 SHIRE OF PLANTAGENET

Mr Le Cerf advised of a new Shire policy to close roads in wet weather to vehicles over 19T. As part of this an SMS service was to be set up.

Work on the Frankland Rocky Gully Road was to commence soon once work on Jutland, Smuts and Harwood Roads in Kendenup was completed.

Mr Le Cerf also advised planning would begin soon for the 2015/16 Five Year Road Program.

7 NEXT MEETING

Thursday 2 April 2015 at 2.00pm.

8 MEETING CLOSURE

At 3.25pm, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED

PRESIDING MEMBER _____ DATE _____

ATTACHMENT SEVEN