



## **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 5 May 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, Norm Bario – Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens Association, Machele 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)**

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| Cr L Handasyde | Council Representative                         |
| Cr G Messmer   | Council Representative                         |
| Mr D Le Cerf   | Manager Works and Services                     |
| Ms 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                        |

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## 1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

2.05pm, Cr Handasyde declared the meeting open.

## 2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

### Present

|                    |                                    |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Cr Len Handasyde   | Chairperson                        |
| Cr Gert Messmer    | Council Representative             |
| Ms Kendra Green    | RoadWise Officer                   |
| Mr Wesley Beck     | Mount Barker Community College     |
| Mr Norm Bario      | Mount Barker Community College P&C |
| Ms Mabelle Jeffrey | Department of Transport            |

### Staff

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| Ms Megan Sounness | Administration Officer Works & Services |
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### Apologies

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| Mr Dominic Le Cerf | Manager Works and Services |
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## 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

**Moved: Cr Gert Messmer, seconded: Mr Wesley Beck**

**That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Steering Committee, held Thursday 3 March 2011, be confirmed.**

**CARRIED**

## 4 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

### 4.1 SAFE SPEEDS

#### 4.1.1 SAM TRAILER

Ms Sounness advised that the SAM Trailer has been used on the following roads over recent months:

- Albany Highway – Labour Day long weekend;
- Red Gum Pass Road – April 2011;
- Albany Highway – Easter long weekend; and
- Oatlands Road – May 2011 (currently).

**Action: Ms Sounness to document SAM Trailer activities in the RoadWise Steering Committee Priority Setting and Action Plan 2010/2011.**

#### 4.1.2 SPEED ZONE REDUCTION – LANGTON ROAD

**Action: Ms Sounness to follow up with Mr Duffield relating to progress of the action relating to the speed zone reduction proposal on Langton Road.**

Action relating to the Red Gum Pass Road speed zone reduction was not discussed. This item will be added to the next Agenda for discussion in July 2011.

#### 4.1.3 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

### 4.2 SAFE ROAD USE

#### 4.2.1 BLESSING OF THE ROADS

Ms Green advised that 40 people attended the Ceremony and it was fantastic to have the school children involved. Ms Green mentioned that Cr Handasyde's speech was very touching.

Mr Beck noted that Cr Handasyde's speech was very moving.

Ms Sounness advised that letters of thanks were forwarded to religious leaders and the Community College further to the Ceremony.

Ms Sounness read a letter of response received from the Community College.

#### 4.2.2 ALBANY HIGHWAY PROJECT - PROMOTING DAYTIME RUNNING LIGHTS

Ms Green advised that the application is being finalised. Ms Green recently attended a Grants Workshop in Albany and took the Plantagenet grant application to work on. Feedback received from this workshop highlighted the need for this project to be measurable and Ms Green will incorporate suggestions into the current application form.

**Action: Committee Members to provide any final feedback / comments relating to the application to Ms Green.**

#### 4.2.3 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

### 4.3 SAFE VEHICLES

#### 4.3.1 INCREASE AWARENESS OF ANCAP RATINGS – MEDIA/COMPEITION

**Action: Ms Green to forward media release (which incorporates message relating to ANCAP ratings) to Ms Sounness for advertising.**

**Action: Ms Sounness to arrange advertising of media release in two consecutive issues of the Plantagenet News.**

**Action: Committee Members to advise Ms Green if they would like the media release included in any other advertising channels / print media.**

#### 4.3.2 ANCAP RATINGS – NEW IMPORTED VEHICLES

**Action: Ms Green to provide a summary at the next RoadWise Steering Committee Meeting relating to education of ANCAP ratings and how they are formulated.**

**Action: Ms Green to investigate on a federal level, what standards are in place relating to minimum ANCAP ratings for imported vehicles.**

#### 4.3.3 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

### 4.4 SAFE ROADS & ROADSIDES

#### 4.4.1 ROAD NOISE AND FATIGUE

The Committee discussed this matter in detail and Ms Green advised that a process to progress this has been suggested:

- a) Include as a RoadWise Steering Committee agenda item (which has occurred);
- b) Committee to look at research and determine if this is an issue that the Committee would like to pursue further;
- c) If the Committee decides this is an issue that should be pursued, look at local strategies which can be carried out to address it;
- d) Implement strategies and (if considered appropriate), advise the Road Safety Council what has been completed; and
- e) (If considered appropriate) write a letter to the Local Government and Community Road Safety Committee which is then forwarded to the Road Safety Council.

Ms Green also advised that Austroads have identified road traffic noise as an issue within their Strategic Plan.

Ms Green advised that the outcome of this issue is ultimately fatigue which the Committee is already addressing at a local level.

Cr Handasyde agreed that whatever the causes are, the issue is fatigue, which is one of the four cornerstones.

**Action: Letter to be sent to Austroads and Main Roads acknowledging that the Committee is aware of the issue of road noise as a contributing factor to fatigue.**

#### 4.4.2 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

## 5 OTHER BUSINESS

### 5.1 STUDENT PEDESTRIAN CROSSING – ALBANY HIGHWAY

Mr Beck advised that a response has not been received from Mr Hoskin who is currently on annual leave.

Discussion was held regarding the requirement to provide up to nine months notice of intent to hold an audit of the proposed crossing location on Albany Highway. Mr Bario advised that he can co-sign the application; however the application must be submitted by Mr Hoskin.

**Action: Mr Bario to add the Student Pedestrian Crossing – Albany Highway, as an agenda item for the May 2011 P&C meeting.**

### 5.2 ALBANY HIGHWAY – STUDENT PEDESTRIAN CROSSING - ELECTRONIC SIGNAGE

The Committee discussed wanting to install electronic signage. It was discussed that Ravensthorpe currently have this signage and there are some in metropolitan Perth.

**Action: Ms Sounness to investigate pricing of the electronic signage.**

**Action: Ms Sounness to liaise with Mr Duffield to determine what is the regulatory requirement relating to installation of electronic signage at an ‘unmanned’ pedestrian crossing.**

### 5.3 SPENCER ROAD - ALBANY HIGHWAY INTERSECTION

Discussion was held regarding this intersection. There is some concern from road users about sight distance / speed zoning when turning right onto Albany Highway from Spencer Road.

**Action: Ms Sounness to liaise with Mr Duffield to obtain advice relating to this request.**

### 5.4 MILLINUP ROAD – CHESTER PASS ROAD INTERSECTION

A letter has been received by the Shire relating to a request for further investigation of sight distance when turning right onto Chester Pass Road from Millinup Road.

**Action: Ms Sounness to liaise with Mr Duffield to obtain advice relating to this request.**

### 5.5 REGIONAL ROAD SAFETY OFFICER REPORT

Ms Green provided a video presentation of the latest road safety campaign ‘Enjoy the Ride’ to Committee Members.

**5.6 ADMINISTRATION SUPPORT – S LYNCH**

Cr Handasyde requested that his thanks be minuted relating to Ms Lynch's efforts during her time on the Committee.

**5.7 ACTION PLAN**

Cr Handasyde advised that the RoadWise Steering Committee Priority Setting and Action Plan 2010/2011 was passed at the Council meeting held 12 April 2011.

**5.8 COMMITTEE MEMBERS – VACANCY / ATTENDANCE**

**Action: Ms Sounness to arrange for the vacant Community Representative position to be re-advertised.**

**Action: Contact RoadWise Steering Committee Members from Mount Barker Police and Main Roads WA seeking feedback relating to attendance at meetings.**

**6 NEXT MEETING**

2.00pm, Thursday 7 July 2011

**7 MEETING CLOSURE**

3.05pm, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

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