



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 6 March 2014

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 Allan Keogh - Mount Barker Police, 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), Mr Greg Sounness – Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens Association (Resolution No. 253/13)

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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 A Keogh	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
Mr G Sounness	Mount Barker Community College P&C Association
Ms M Jeffrey	Department of Transport
Ms B Murphy	Deputy for Ms M Jeffrey

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

At 2.04pm Ms Chadbourne declared the meeting open.

1.1 ELECTION OF ACTING PRESIDING MEMBER

In the absence of the Presiding Member and Deputy Presiding Member, Ms Chadbourne sought nominations for the position of Acting Presiding Member.

Moved: Mr Duffield

Seconded: Ms McDonald-Lee

That Cr G Messmer be appointed as Acting Presiding Member.

CARRIED

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIESPresent:

Cr Gert Messmer	Council Representative
Mr Andrew Duffield	Main Roads WA
Ms Erin McDonald-Lee	RoadWise Officer
Mr Wes Beck	Deputy for Mr R Barrett
Ms Machel Jeffrey	Department of Transport
Mr Arthur Patterson	Community Representative

Staff:

Ms Amy Chadbourne	Senior Administration/Project Officer Works and Services
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Observers:

Ms Marney Cummings	Mount Barker Community College
Mt Nicholas Bjork-Henderson	Mount Barker Community College

Apologies:

Cr Len Handasyde	Council Representative
Mr Dominic Le Cerf	Manager Works and Services

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: Mr Patterson

Seconded: Ms Jeffrey

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Committee, held Thursday 9 January 2014, be confirmed.

CARRIED

3.1 BUSINESS ARISING

3.1.1 WHITE RIBBONS FOR ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN 2013

Committee Members noted Ms McDonald-Lee and Mount Barker Police are able to present at the Mount Barker Community College when requested.

3.1.2 MOUNT BARKER COMMUNITY FAIR

Flyer published in the 22 January 2014 edition of the Plantagenet News at Attachment One.

3.1.3 DEPUTY MEMBERS

The Council at its meeting held on Tuesday 4 March 2014, agreed that the following nominees be appointed as deputy members to the RoadWise Committee:

1. Mr Peter Stringer on behalf of Mr Andrew Duffield – Main Roads WA.
2. 1st Class Constable Ken Brown on behalf of Sergeant Allan Keogh - Mount Barker Police.
3. Mr Wesley Beck on behalf of Mr Roger Barrett - Mount Barker Community College.
4. Ms Brenda Murphy on behalf of Ms Machel Jeffrey - Department of Transport.

Deputy members are able to attend RoadWise Committee Meetings on behalf of the Committee Member when they are unable to attend.

4 CORRESPONDENCE IN

The following correspondence was tabled:

- Garth Leavell, 'Please Slow Down Consider our Kids' stickers can be found at Attachment Two.

5 CORRESPONDENCE OUT

No correspondence out.

6 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

6.1 SAFE SPEEDS

6.1.1 SAM TRAILER

The SAM trailer was positioned on Albany Highway in Mount Barker for the long weekend of 28 February to 3 March 2014 highlighting double demerits.

In April the trailer is to be placed in conjunction with the Blessing of the Roads event. It will also be used for the Easter weekend with a message reminding motorists about not driving tired.

6.1.2 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

No items from the Action Plan were discussed. Ms McDonald-Lee reminded the Committee of the purposes of the Action Plan and suggested it should be re-read. She requested that individuals put their names forward for items on the Action Plan they could help with. A copy of the Action Plan is at Attachment Three.

Action: Ms Chadbourne to send out the Action Plan to all Committee Members for their perusal.

6.2 SAFE ROAD USE

6.2.1 DRIVER REVIVER

A Driver Reviver was held on Friday 28 February 2014 on Albany Highway west of the Kendenup turnoff.

The Committee discussed the evening and made suggestions for improvements to the running of the Driver Reviver.

- Use the pull-in bay on the north side of the Cranbrook turnoff – the traditional site which is on the east side of Albany Highway. It is easier for vehicles going south to stop;
- Position lights at the entrance and exit to the site to highlight the driveway;
- A longer lead-in time to the event to notify volunteers and include the ambulance and fire brigade/s;
- Look at the positioning of the 'event ahead' type signs on Albany Highway – not always easy to see/read;
- Use the SAM trailer to notify drivers of the Driver Reviver ahead;
- Start the signs 1km from the site to give motorists more notice;
- Consider the option of a permanent site with a permanent advance notice sign; and
- Volunteer students from the Mount Barker Community College were a great asset to the event and should be considered again.

The next Driver Reviver is to be held on the Queen's Birthday Long Weekend which commences on Friday 26 September 2014. The Cranbrook RoadWise Committee are planning to hold a Driver Reviver on the June Long Weekend starting Friday 30 May 2014.

6.2.2 BLESSING OF THE ROADS

The Blessing of the Roads event for 2014 was discussed. At the meeting of 2 May 2013, Mount Barker Community College had suggested they would be able to host the event in 2014.

Ideas were suggested for the ceremony with Ms McDonald-Lee offering her assistance and the availability of a RoadWise campaign pack. Ms McDonald-Lee for RoadWise would provide morning tea on the day and other small incidentals.

The Committee suggested having high school students involved on the day – particularly the year 11 and 12s, some of whom are new drivers on the roads. Committee Members also suggested the use of a visual aid to demonstrate the number of deaths on Great Southern Roads in the last year.

Action: Mr Beck to discuss with Mr Barrett and advise if Mount Barker Community College would host the Blessing of the Roads 2014 and if able to do so, would organise a guest speaker.

6.2.3 ALBANY HIGHWAY PROJECT

The wording from the recent advertising for the Albany Highway Project signs on RadioWest was handed out for all to read - see Attachment Four.

Action: Ms Chadbourne to send out audio of advertisement to Committee Members.

The RoadWise Committee was advised of the results of the Sign Quiz held recently in the Shire Office reception area. The \$50 prize for the Quiz was funded by the Fatigued and Distracted Drivers Grant received from the Office of Road Safety. Ms McDonald-Lee advised there was no entry with all answers correct, however, there were many with most answers correct but with one minor mistake. The Committee agreed that a winner should be drawn from the entries with only one minor mistake.

Action: Ms McDonald-Lee to notify the winner of the Signs Quiz and organise a media article.

6.2.4 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Ms McDonald-Lee advised Committee Members of the recent Application for a Variation of Funds to finalise the Office of Road Safety Fatigued and Distracted Drivers Grant. Committee Members were requested to make suggestions for items to be purchased for the Driver Reviver programme. The caravan used for the Driver Reviver was discussed and it was agreed that as it was now jointly owned by the Cranbrook and Tambellup P&C

Associations it would be best to spend the funds on equipment for direct use by the Plantagenet RoadWise Committee.

Action: *Ms Chadbourne to obtain quotes for a donut machine, 10 E Flares to go at the entry/exit of the Driver Reviver site, a pop-up shade sail and a Plantagenet RoadWise Driver Reviver banner.*

6.3 SAFE VEHICLES

6.3.1 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Mr Beck advised of a program that the Mount Barker Community College is running at the school in term 3 for year 11s and 12s focusing on the site of a hypothetical road crash. It is called *Leaders Alive*.

Ms McDonald-Lee offered statistics from RoadWise, star rating information on used cars and a goodie bag and quiz for students if required.

Action: *Mr Barrett will keep the RoadWise Committee updated on the Leaders Alive course to be held in term 3 at Mount Barker Community College.*

6.4 SAFE ROADS & ROADSIDES

6.4.1 SCHOOL CROSSING – ALBANY HIGHWAY

Mr Beck advised that the Mount Barker Community College was happy with the new type B school crossing on Albany Highway.

Main Roads WA had provided funding for the pathway leading to the crossing.

6.4.2 ACCELERATION LANE – ALBANY HIGHWAY

Mr Patterson received an enquiry from a community member about the possibility of installing an acceleration lane heading north from the saleyards. The community member highlighted that cars get caught behind trucks coming out of the saleyards and then stay behind them on Albany Highway for a fair distance.

Mr Duffield advised funding was quite tight but that Main Roads could assess that section of Albany Highway.

6.4.3 INTERSECTION OF PILE ROAD AND MUIR HIGHWAY

Mr Patterson had received a request from a community member for the RoadWise Committee to discuss the problems associated with turning/overtaking heavy vehicles at the intersection of Pile Road and Muir Highway. Log trucks were a major user of this

intersection and the community member had noted vehicles overtaking the trucks on the double lined section.

Once again, Mr Duffield advised Main Roads would have a look at the site and perhaps look at more signage.

Action: Mr Duffield to ask Main Roads to assess both sites and will report back at the next RoadWise meeting.

6.4.4 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

No items from the Action Plan were discussed.

3.00pm Mr Beck and the two Mount Barker Community College students, Ms Cummins and Mr Bjork-Henderson, left the meeting to return for the finish of school.

LOSS OF QUORUM

Ms Chadbourne advised the Acting Presiding Member that a quorum was no longer present and the meeting then closed.

7 NEXT MEETING

Thursday 8 May 2014 at 2.00pm.

8 MEETING CLOSURE

At 3.00pm, the Acting Presiding Member declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED: PRESIDING MEMBER_____ DATE_____

Attachment One
