



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 7 February 2019

Rob Stewart
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Committee Members

Cr Len Handasyde, Cr Brett Bell - Local Government Elected members, Mr David Lynch - Manager Works and Services, Mrs Andrea Smithson - RoadWise Officer, Mr Andrew Duffield - Main Roads WA, Sergeant David Johnson - Mount Barker Police (Resolution No 8/19), Mr Roger Barrett - Mount Barker Community College, Mrs Elsa Drage - Community Representative, Mrs Deborah Smith – Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens Association (Resolution No. 146/18)

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Presiding Member: Cr L Handasyde

Deputy Presiding Member: Mr D Lynch

Membership: Quorum (5)

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| Cr L Handasyde | Council Representative |
| Cr B Bell | Council Representative |
| Cr B Lang | Deputy for Cr Handasyde |
| Cr M O'Dea | Deputy for Cr Bell |
| Mr D Lynch | Manager Works and Services |
| Mrs A Smithson | RoadWise Officer |
| Mr A Duffield | Main Roads WA |
| Mr B Lenton | Deputy for Mr A Duffield |
| Sgt D Johnson | Mount Barker Police |
| First Class Constable K Brown | Deputy for Sgt A McRae |
| Mr R Barrett | Mount Barker Community College |
| Mr W Beck | Deputy for Mr R Barrett |
| Mrs E Drage | Community Representative |
| Mrs D Smith | Mount Barker Community College P&C Association |
| Mr A Fraser | Deputy for Mrs D Smith |

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

At 2.01pm, Cr L Handasyde opened the meeting.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIESAttendance

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| Cr L Handasyde | Council Representative |
| Cr B Bell | Council Representative |
| Mr D Lynch | Manager Works and Services |
| Mrs A Smithson | RoadWise Officer |
| Mr A Duffield | Main Roads WA (left the meeting at 3.00pm) |
| Sgt D Johnson | Mount Barker Police |
| Mr W Beck | Deputy for Mr Barrett (arrived late at 2.20pm) |
| Mrs E Drage | Community Representative |

Staff

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| Ms A Chadbourne | Senior Administration, Works and Services |
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Apology

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| Mr R Barrett | Mount Barker Community College |
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3 DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Part 5 Division 6, Local Government Act 1995

Nil

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Cr B Bell, Seconded Mrs E Drage;

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Committee, held on Thursday 6 December 2018 as circulated, be taken as read and adopted as a correct record.

CARRIED

5 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**5.1 COMMITTEE PLANNER FOR 2019**

The meeting discussed and agreed to meeting dates for 2019 and the Annual Plan for the committee developed by Mrs Smithson.

See Attachment One.

5.2 SAFE SPEEDS

5.2.1 COURTESY SPEED DISPLAY SIGNS

The Committee discussed the time frame for booking the speed display signs from WALGA. It was agreed that the signs would be booked for four weeks starting in mid-April if available.

Locations for the signs were suggested with Settlement Road, Woogenellup Road, Langton Road and the Beverly Road entrance to Kendenup as examples. It was suggested that traffic counters be used in conjunction with the signs.

5.2.2 SCHOOL CROSSING ALBANY HIGHWAY – VEHICLE SPEEDS

Cr Bell detailed a request from the crossing attendant on Albany Highway who expressed concerned about vehicles he thinks are travelling over the speed limit when he is attending the pedestrian crossing. He suggested the biggest issue were the trucks.

Traffic counts installed by Main Roads in 2016 and 2017 near the intersection indicated that vehicles were travelling within and slower than the speed limit of 60km/hr. Mr Duffield advised that Main Roads had just put some counters out again at the same site which were operating at the moment. The meeting would be advised of the results.

The influence of the wig wag lights was discussed and their contribution to alerting motorists to the crossing and slowing traffic as a result. Also the excellent sight distance was highlighted. The bollards recently installed by the Shire at the intersection were acknowledged as helping with speed.

Mr Duffield confirmed Albany Highway was a 60km/hr zone and would remain so. Two other examples of crossings on similar sized roads were noted being Albany Highway in Albany at North Albany Senior High School and a similar crossing on Chester Pass Road also.

5.3 SAFE ROAD USE

5.3.1 DRIVER REVIVER

The first Driver Reviver (DR) for 2019 is to be held on Friday 1 March 2019 north of the northern Albany Highway Cranbrook turn off.

The Works Administration Officer has commenced organisation for the event. Main Roads have offered to provide the light tower for the evening which also includes a generator.

Following discussion about Committee Members becoming more involved in the organisation for the event, Mrs Drage agreed to organise the volunteer roster including the site set up and pack up.

It was agreed that a detailed checklist would be provided for the site's set up and pack up to help volunteers. Shire staff would still continue to put the signs up as qualifications are required to do so.

Sergeant Johnson confirmed that there would be a police presence around 6pm.

As requested, Mrs Smithson advised there were funding opportunities to improve facilities/supplies for the Driver Reviver. This would be discussed in more detail at the next RoadWise Meeting.

Committee Members noted the Certificate of Appreciation made out to the Plantagenet Driver Reviver shown at Attachment Two.

2.20pm Mr W Beck arrived to the meeting

5.3.2 PLANTAGENET ROADWISE SOBER SUPERHERO CAMPAIGN

Mrs Smithson spoke to her report about the Sober Superhero campaign as shown at Attachment Three.

The Committee expressed their appreciation to the local businesses who donated to the campaign and it was hoped the same program could be run again for the festive season in 2019.

5.3.3 BLESSING OF THE ROADS CAMPAIGN

As organiser for the 2019 Blessing of the Roads, the Mount Barker Community College has suggested Wednesday 17 April at the Rec Centre for the event. A speaker for the event needs to be organised with any suggestions welcomed.

Members of the RoadWise Committee offered assistance if required.

6 AGENCY REPORTS

6.1 ROADWISE

Mrs Smithson advised the meeting of workshops to be held in Albany on 19 and 20 March to discuss the renewal of the Road Safety Strategy which expires in 2020. Any interested individual was welcome to attend.

Mrs Smithson reported on the new Road Safety Commissioner. She also advised of the decreasing number of road fatalities in Western Australia (159) and the Great Southern (7) in 2018. Statistics pointed to less fatalities on roads but more serious injuries.

6.2 MAIN ROADS WA

Mr Duffield reported on capital works within the region and the appointment of Fulton Hogan under a new maintenance contract.

6.3 MOUNT BARKER POLICE

Sergeant Johnson reported on local police statistics during the festive season. He advised of 12 positive breath tests, 189 speeders and two incidents of people not wearing seat belts. One serious head on crash had occurred on Albany Highway due to driver error and most recently one motorist was critically injured in an accident on Hay River Road on Wednesday 6 February.

3.00pm Mr A Duffield left the meeting

6.4 SHIRE OF PLANTAGENET

Mr Lynch highlighted the recent accident on a local gravel road. The meeting discussed the importance of driving to conditions. It was agreed motorists need to be made more aware of the need to drive to the condition of the road. Committee Members requested this item remain on the agenda for future discussion.

Cr Bell presented on feedback he had received from a local resident on some difficulty experienced with movement of heavy agricultural vehicles during harvest on Oatlands Road and Albany Highway at the intersection with Memorial Way.

The meeting discussed the movement of agricultural equipment during harvest and suggested where alternative routes were available, townsite roads should be avoided.

6.5 MOUNT BARKER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

No report from the Mount Barker Community College.

6.6 COMMUNITY MEMBER

Mrs Drage expressed her concerns about vehicle parking in the area surrounding the Mount Barker Bakery.

7 NEXT MEETING

Thursday 11 April 2019 at 2.00pm

8 MEETING CLOSURE

At 3.25pm, Cr L Handasyde closed the meeting.

Presiding Member

Date

Attachment Three
