



## 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 8 February 2018

**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 Erin Miller - RoadWise Officer, Mr Andrew Duffield - Main Roads WA, Sergeant Andy McRae - Mount Barker Police, Mr Roger Barrett - Mount Barker Community College, Mrs Elsa Drage - Community Representative, Ms M Ballard – Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens Association (Resolution No. 230/17)*

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**Presiding Member: Cr L Handasyde**

**Deputy Presiding Member: Mr D Lynch**

**Membership: Quorum (6)**

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 E Miller	RoadWise Officer
Mr A Duffield	Main Roads WA
Mr L McCartin	Deputy for Mr A Duffield
Sgt A McRae	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
Ms M Ballard	Mount Barker Community College P&C Association
Mr A Fraser	Deputy for Ms M Ballard

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

At 2.01pm, Cr Handasyde opened the meeting.

**2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES**Attendance

Cr L Handasyde	Council Representative
Cr B Bell	Council Representative
Mr D Lynch	Manager Works and Services
Mrs E Miller	RoadWise Officer
Mr A Duffield	Main Roads WA
Mr R Barrett	Mount Barker Community College
Mrs E Drage	Community Representative

Staff

Ms A Chadbourne	Senior Administration, Works and Services
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Apologies

Sgt A McRae	Mount Barker Police
First Class Constable K Brown	Deputy for Sgt A McRae

Visitor

Ms I Draffehn	Community Development Officer, Community Services
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**3 DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

Part 5 Division 6 Local Government Act 1995

Nil.

**4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Moved Mr Barrett, Seconded Mrs Miller;**

**That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Committee, held on Thursday 7 December 2017 as circulated, be taken as read and adopted as a correct record.**

**CARRIED**

**5 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS****5.1 SAFE SPEEDS****5.1.1 SLOMO – SLOW DOWN MOVE OVER**

Mrs Miller presented to the Committee about the recently instigated SLOMO legislation. The laws require drivers to slow down around

stationary emergency vehicles, tow trucks, Incident Response Service vehicles and motor break-down service vehicles which are displaying flashing lights while attending an incident.

Ms Draffehn from Community Services advised the RoadWise Committee that the laws would be promoted locally with a photo of emergency services personnel.

Committee Members expressed their support for the media promotion and Mr Barrett requested Ms Draffehn provide him with a copy of the media release for inclusion in the Mount Barker Community College (MBCC) newsletter.

#### 5.1.2 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Refer to Action Plan and see Attachment One for 2018 Calendar.

Following discussion Mrs Miller advised she would update the calendar with new meeting dates and would send out to Committee Members.

#### 5.1.3 ALBANY HIGHWAY SCHOOL CROSSING – 40KM/HR FLASHING SIGNS

Cr Bell discussed his concerns about the section of Albany Highway near the school crossing and suggested placing 40km/hr flashing signs on either side of the crossing.

Various options were discussed and the following was resolved.

***Action: Mr Lynch be requested to write to Main Roads and formally request an assessment of the school crossing area on Albany Highway, Mount Barker in order to improve its visibility to motorists. The letter would also include a request for traffic counters at this point of Albany Highway to help identify traffic speed and types of vehicles.***

### 5.2 SAFE ROAD USE

#### 5.2.1 DRIVER REVIVER

Planning for the Driver Reviver scheduled for Friday 2 March 2018 has commenced. Cr Handasyde and Cr Bell indicated their availability as did Mrs Drage. Mr Barrett advised he would be on leave.

The meeting discussed a request from the Cranbrook Police to run an RBT in conjunction with the event. Following discussion it was agreed to assess the site and discuss with the Cranbrook Police.

***Action: Mr Lynch and Cr Handasyde be requested to meet with officers from Cranbrook Police and assess the site and the possibility of running an RBT in conjunction with the Driver Reviver on 2 March 2018.***

### 5.2.2 BLOW 0.00 AND WIN CAMPAIGN

In conjunction with the Mount Barker Police a successful campaign was run during the 2017/18 festive season. See Attachment Two.

The Committee expressed support for the event for the 2018/19 season.

### 5.2.3 BLESSING OF THE ROADS CAMPAIGN

The MBCC is organising the 2018 Blessing of the Roads event.

The event is to be held at the Recreation Centre on Thursday 29 March 2018 commencing at 11.00am. Mr Barrett advised the school's head boy and girl were assisting with organisation and would speak on the day and a guest speaker was to be confirmed.

Mrs Miller advised she would send Mr Barrett an event pack once they were available.

## 5.3 SAFE ROADS & ROADSIDES

### 5.3.1 NEW ROADWISE SIGNS IN MOUNT BARKER

At the meeting held on 7 December 2017 the Committee discussed the RoadWise signs provided by WALGA which were recently installed at the entrance to the Mount Barker townsite.

Mount Barker Police were requested to report on ideas for 'catchy slogans' about road safety to be advertised on the bottom of these signs. As there were no members of the Police present this item is to be carried over to the next meeting.

### 5.3.2 MUIR HIGHWAY INTERSECTION WITH NORTHERN ROUNDABOUT

Cr Bell discussed the approach from Muir Highway to the northern roundabout on Albany Highway and suggested more information was needed to alert motorists to the roundabout ahead and the need to slow down. Rumble strips were suggested, however, Mr Duffield advised these would be too loud for nearby residents, particularly for those at the Mount Barker Caravan Park.

***Action: Mr Duffield be requested to look at options to improve advance notice to motorists approaching the northern roundabout on Albany Highway from Muir Highway such as large roundabout 'A' class signs.***

## 5.4 SAFE VEHICLES

### 5.4.1 VEHICLE CHECKING STATION

The Committee agreed this item is to stay on the Agenda.

## 6 AGENCY REPORTS

### 6.1 ROADWISE

Mrs Miller reported on the invitation she had received for the Thank a Volunteer afternoon tea on 27 February 2018. Mr Barrett expressed interest in attending also.

Mrs Miller also reported about a project she was taking part in conjunction with Southern Edge Arts. The project is two-fold, focusing on road safety whilst involving school aged children in art activities. The organisers of the project were looking for funding and RoadWise Committee interest to help it get started.

Committee members agreed the project sounded interesting and that Plantagenet RoadWise would help where possible.

Cr Handasyde noted that this was Mrs Miller's last meeting before she goes on leave and thanked her for her valuable contribution to the Plantagenet RoadWise Committee.

### 6.2 MAIN ROADS WA

Mr Duffield reported on the Main Roads construction season. The Amelup Curves section of Chester Pass Road is currently being upgraded and due in finish in April this year. As is the Cheynes Beach intersection with South Coast Highway.

Work to construct the Cranbook Super Truck bay has commenced and the Phillips River bridge damaged in the 2016 storm is now finished.

### 6.3 MOUNT BARKER POLICE

No report from the Mount Barker Police.

### 6.4 SHIRE OF PLANTAGENET

Mr Lynch reported on the Shire's construction season. He advised there was little movement on this year's Black Spot projects due to various factors except for the O'Neill Road Albany Highway intersection which has just been completed.

The Committee discussed the soon to be installed bollards on the verge of Albany Highway in front of the Old Gaol Museum and the issue of trucks parking on the verge on the other side of the road.

### 6.5 MOUNT BARKER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Mr Barrett reported on the school's involvement in the Old Gaol's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The MBCC had approved the use of the paddock behind the Rotary Pull-In Bay for car parking.

### 6.6 COMMUNITY MEMBER

Mrs Drage expressed her support for the suggested road safety messages starting with 'If only ....' Shown at Attachment Three.

***Action: Mr Lynch be requested to organise and install small signs using 'If Only.....' messages below the RoadWise signs provided by***

***WALGA which were recently installed at the entrance to the Mount Barker townsite.***

**7 NEXT MEETING**

Thursday 19 April 2018 at 2.00pm

**8 MEETING CLOSURE**

At 3.25pm Cr Handasyde declared the meeting closed

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Presiding Member

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Date



## **Attachment Three**