



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 10 May 2012

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, Mr Arthur Patterson - Community Representative, Mabelle Jeffrey – Department of Transport (Resolution No. 243/11), Mr Greg Sounness – Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens Association (Resolution No. 72/12)

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Chairperson: Cr L Handasyde

Deputy Chairperson: Mr D Le Cerf

Membership: Quorum (5)

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
Mr A Patterson	Community Representative
Mr G Sounness	Mount Barker Community College P&C Association
Ms M Jeffrey	Department of Transport

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

2.04pm, Cr Handasyde declared the meeting open.

Cr Handasyde welcomed Mr Greg Sounness. Mr Sounness is a new Committee member appointed to replace Mr Norm Bario. Mr Sounness' position on the Committee was endorsed by the Council at its meeting held on 1 May 2012.

Cr Handasyde tabled a letter of thanks to Mr Bario which has been sent on behalf of the Council. A copy of this letter is attached at Appendix One.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

Present:

Cr Len Handasyde	Chairperson
Mr Arthur Patterson	Community Representative
Ms Kendra Green	RoadWise Officer
Mr Wesley Beck	Mount Barker Community College
Mr Greg Sounness	Mount Barker Community College P&C

Apologies:

Cr Gert Messmer	Council Representative
Mr Andrew Duffield	Main Roads WA – Great Southern
Sgt Al Keogh	Mount Barker Police
Ms Mabelle Jeffrey	Department of Transport
Mr Dominic Le Cerf	Manager Works and Services

Staff:

Ms Megan Beech	Senior Administration/Project Officer Works and Services
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3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: Mr Patterson, seconded: Ms Green

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Committee, held Thursday 1 March 2012, be confirmed.

CARRIED

3.1 CORRESPONDENCE IN

The following correspondence was tabled and is attached at Appendix Two:

- Road Safety Round-Up (March and April 2012);
- Report – *'Fatal and Serious Injuries on WA Roads – 2011'*; and
- Letter of Thanks – Deborah Smith (Mount Barker Community College) – *Blessing of the Roads Ceremony*.

4 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

4.1 SAFE SPEEDS

4.1.1 SAM TRAILER

Ms Beech updated the Committee on recent use of the SAM trailer. The trailer has been used at the following locations:

- Albany Highway Labour Day long weekend (Mount Barker townsite)
- Albany Highway College Ball (17 March 2012) (Mount Barker townsite)
- Oatlands Road March/April 2012
- Woogenellup Road Commencement of School Term 2

4.1.2 SPEED ZONING – LOWOOD ROAD AND OATLANDS ROAD

A letter was sent to Main Roads WA on 30 March 2012 and is attached at Appendix Three.

A letter of response from Main Roads WA was received on 13 April 2012 and is also attached at Appendix Three.

Recommendation

Moved: Mr Patterson, seconded: Cr Handasyde

That evidence be collected to support the case to reduce the speed zone on Oatlands Road, Mount Barker and an application be re-submitted to Main Roads WA.

CARRIED

4.1.3 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Action: Ms Beech to update the Action Plan with recent SAM trailer locations.

4.2 SAFE ROAD USE

4.2.1 ALBANY HIGHWAY PROJECT - PROMOTING DRIVING WITH YOUR HEADLIGHTS ON

Ms Green updated the Committee that she is liaising with Albany Signs to obtain some ideas regarding graphic design and layout for the series of three signs. Ms Green noted that Albany Signs will be in contact with Mr Le Cerf to obtain technical details regarding the signs.

Ms Green thanked Mr Patterson for his sign slogan ideas and urged other Committee members to continue to forward ideas and suggestions.

4.2.2 BLESSING OF THE ROADS 2012

A letter of thanks was received from Deborah Smith, Mount Barker Community College (MBCC) and has been attached under 'Correspondence In'.

A media release was included in the Plantagenet News issue on Wednesday 18 April 2012. A copy of the media release is attached at Appendix Four.

Ms Green thanked Ms Beech for organising this event. The Committee agreed that the event ran smoothly and was well attended.

Ms Green updated the Committee regarding the annual Fatigue Road Stop held on Thursday 5 April 2012. Ms Green noted that approximately 1,300 vehicles were stopped and approximately 20 Police Officers took part this year.

4.2.3 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Action: Ms Beech to update the Action Plan with details of the Blessing of the Roads Ceremony and media release.

4.3 SAFE VEHICLES

4.3.1 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Ms Beech updated the Committee that the Council at its meeting held on 1 May 2012, adopted an amended Vehicle Specifications policy. The policy has had significant changes with an increased focus on vehicle safety.

Action: Ms Beech to update the Action Plan by including reference to the updated Vehicle Specifications policy.

4.4 SAFE ROADS & ROADSIDES

4.4.1 SPENCER ROAD / YELLANUP ROAD - ALBANY HIGHWAY INTERSECTION

Action: Mr Le Cerf to schedule safety audits for the Spencer and Yellanup Road intersections with Albany Highway.

Action: Mr Le Cerf to liaise with Mr Duffield regarding the status of a previous request for 'cats eyes' at the Spencer Road/Albany Highway intersection.

Action: Ms Beech to liaise with Mr Le Cerf regarding progress of this item and update the Committee as necessary.

4.4.2 SEEKING LEGISLATION CHANGE – ROAD RESERVE CLEARING

Action: Ms Beech to liaise with Mr Le Cerf regarding progress of this item and update the Committee as necessary.

4.4.3 STUDENT PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AND ELECTRONIC SIGNAGE – ALBANY HIGHWAY

Mr Le Cerf met with Mr Hoskin on Tuesday 8 May 2012 to discuss progress of the MBCC's application.

Ms Beech updated the Committee that the MBCC has submitted an application. Mr Beck advised that a new count will be scheduled in the near future.

Action: Mr Le Cerf to provide an update regarding progress of this item at the next Committee meeting.

4.4.4 HAY RIVER ROAD/ST WERBURGHS ROAD INTERSECTION ALIGNMENT

Action: Mr Le Cerf to schedule a safety audit for this intersection.

4.4.5 TURNING LANE – O'NEILL ROAD/ALBANY HIGHWAY INTERSECTION

Traffic counts were provided to Mr Duffield on 1 May 2012.

Action: Mr Le Cerf to liaise with Mr Duffield regarding progress of this item and provide an update to the Committee.

4.4.6 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Nil.

5 AGENCY REPORTS

RoadWise

Ms Green provided details regarding a proposal for 'Fatality Free Friday' on 25 May 2012. This is an initiative of the Australian Road Safety Foundation. Ms Green noted that to support the initiative the Committee could sign a pledge and carry out a media campaign.

Action: Ms Green to distribute information regarding 'Fatality Free Friday' to the Committee for consideration.

Ms Green advised that the Shire recently won a Western Australian Local Government Association Road Safety Award which was presented at the WA Transport and Roads Forum on Friday 4 May 2012. The Shire had entered Spencer Road in the Safe Roads and Roadsides category and won the rural

division. Shire President Cr Clements, Cr Handasyde and Mr Le Cerf attended the Forum on behalf of the Council.

6 NEXT MEETING

Thursday 5 July 2012, 2.00pm

7 MEETING CLOSURE

3.10pm, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED: CHAIRPERSON _____ DATE: __/__/2012