



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 September 2015

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 Gailene Hamilton - Mount Barker Police (Resolution No 245/14), Mr Roger Barrett - Mount Barker Community College (Resolution No 253/13), Mr Arthur Patterson - Community Representative, Ms M Ballard – Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens Association (Resolution No. 106/15)

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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 L McCartin	Deputy for Mr A Duffield
Sgt G Hamilton	Mount Barker Police
First Class Constable K Brown	Deputy for Sgt G Hamilton
Mr R Barrett	Mount Barker Community College
Mr W Beck	Deputy for Mr R Barrett
Mr A Patterson	Community Representative
Ms M Ballard	Mount Barker Community College P&C Association
Mr A Fraser	Deputy for Ms M Ballard

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

At 2.00pm the Presiding Member declared the meeting open.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIESPresent

Cr L Handasyde	Council Representative
Cr G Messmer	Council Representative
Mr D Le Cerf	Manager Works and Services
Ms E McDonald-Lee	RoadWise Officer
Sgt G Hamilton	Mount Barker Police
Mr R Barrett	Mount Barker Community College
Mr A Patterson	Community Representative
Ms M Ballard	Mount Barker Community College P&C Association

Staff

Ms A Chadbourne	Senior Administration/Project Officer Works and Services
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Apologies

Mr A Duffield	Main Roads WA
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Observer

Ms S Skitt	Student, Mount Barker Community College
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3 DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

There was no disclosure of interests by Committee Members.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Cr G Messmer, Seconded Mr D Le Cerf;

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Committee, held on Thursday 11 June 2015 as circulated, be taken as read and adopted as a correct record.

CARRIED

5 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**5.1 ACTION PLAN FOR 2015**

Refer to Action Plan.

5.2 SAFE SPEEDS**5.2.1 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS**

Mr Le Cerf informed the meeting the speed trailer had been assessed by two parties and was still not working. The trailer was likely to be written off under insurance.

Mr Le Cerf advised he had been able to organise to borrow a message trailer from Main Roads in Albany for the Driver Reviver.

5.3 SAFE ROAD USE

5.3.1 DRIVER REVIVER

See Attachment One for a copy of the TMP approved for use by Main Roads WA for the Driver Reviver.

The next Driver Reviver is scheduled for the Queen's Birthday Weekend – the evening of Friday 25 September 2015 and is to be held just past the northern Cranbrook turn off on Albany Highway.

A Driver Reviver check list is being put together by Ms Chadbourne for organisers and volunteers to use. The list will be ready for use at the next Driver Reviver. A number of volunteers had put their names forward to help at this Driver Reviver.

The meeting discussed Mr Patterson's suggestion of a permanent sign advising of the Driver Reviver site. Ms McDonald-Lee stated it was her understanding that once the site had been used continuously for a number of Driver Revivers, Main Roads would consider installing a permanent sign.

5.3.2 ALBANY HIGHWAY PROJECT

The Road Safety Grant acquittal is near completion and will include information collated by students at the Mount Barker Community College. Mr Barrett advised he had written a small article for the Mount Barker Community College on the students activities. This is included at Attachment Two.

5.3.3 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Refer to Action Plan.

5.4 SAFE VEHICLES

5.4.1 DAYTIME RUNNING LIGHTS

Cr Handasyde initiated discussion about daytime running lights (DRL) being mandatory on point of sale for new vehicles and 4 and 5 star ANCAP rated vehicles in Australia. Committee members discussed vehicles which already had DRL, countries where the lights were required by legislation and whether the implementation of these lights was becoming consumer driven.

Action: Committee Members be requested to research daytime running lights on Australian vehicles and to bring any information to the next RoadWise Committee Meeting.

5.4.2 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Refer to Action Plan.

5.5 SAFE ROADS & ROADSIDES

5.5.1 SMALL MESSAGES

Initially discussed at the RoadWise Meeting on 4 September 2014, the Committee discussed further the lack of small message signs on Western Australian roads compared to Eastern Australia which has many of these signs. Mr Le Cerf highlighted the permanent sign at Williams with the message 'Don't Drive Tired'.

Photos providing information on small message signs have been provided by Ms McDonald-Lee and Mr Patterson at Attachment Three.

The meeting agreed this item would be discussed with Mr Duffield at the next RoadWise meeting to determine Main Roads policy on these small signs.

Action: Ms McDonald-Lee be requested to bring a copy of the Williams sign to the RoadWise meeting in October.

5.5.2 INTERSECTION OF LANGTON ROAD AND MARMION STREET

See Attachment Four for a copy of the media article in the Plantagenet News on 24 June 2015 highlighting the contribution of the RoadWise Committee to the installation of speed warning signs on Langton Road.

The Committee discussed the position of the stop sign at this intersection and that Main Roads had already addressed the issue of its location.

5.5.3 MUIR STREET – HIGH TRAFFIC

Mr Patterson has received a request from a member of the public concerned over high speed traffic on Muir Street detailed at Attachment Five. Also at Attachment Five is a copy of traffic counts taken in 2008 for a section of this road. The results demonstrate the excessive speed of some vehicles on this road. Sergeant Hamilton said the police already have a presence along this section of road.

Mr Le Cerf advised there were no funds within the Shire's 2015/16 budget for roadworks and works for Muir Street were not in the Five Year Road Program. Mr Le Cerf said that limited work was scheduled for the next financial year at the eastern end of the road outside the Plantagenet Hotel with the possibility

of the road being narrowed in the future. Mr Le Cerf also said Muir Street would be placed on the traffic count schedule.

Action: Mr Patterson be requested to contact Joy Korrel and advise her of the discussion at the RoadWise meeting and to determine the times she had noted excessive speed on Muir Street. Mr Patterson advised he would forward this information to the Mount Barker Police.

5.5.4 ST WERBURGHS ROAD – WESTERN END

Mr Patterson has received a number of complaints regarding the new surface at the western end of St Werburghs Road. The western end was recently resheeted as part of the Shire's 2015/16 Road Program.

He said the work completed was excellent but didn't think it was complete and possibly more gravel was needed.

Action: Mr Le Cerf be requested to meet with Mr Patterson to inspect the western end of St Werburghs Road.

5.5.5 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF STUDENT SUPPORT

Mr Barrett discussed the recognition of students from the Mount Barker Community College (MBCC) for their contribution to RoadWise activities. He suggested the presentation of an embroidered badge or pin with the RoadWise logo.

Also, Mr Barrett suggested the purchase of a pull-up banner to use at displays/events attended by the Plantagenet RoadWise Committee.

Action: Cr Handasyde be requested to discuss the purchase of a pull-up banner and Plantagenet RoadWise badges with the Chief Executive Officer.

5.5.6 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

Mr Barrett reported on the recent Safe Roads and Roadsides Stall held at the IGA and staffed by MBCC students. Mr Barrett highlighted the benefits of participation and stated it was very interactive for the students and a worthwhile activity. See Attachment Six for a copy of the media article in the Plantagenet News highlighting the event.

Also discussed was the Blessing of the Roads event next year which was to be held at the MBCC and the possibility of holding a vehicle checking day around the same time. Ms McDonald-Lee reminded the meeting she has a pack which can be used for running this kind of event.

6 AGENCY REPORTS**6.1 ROADWISE**

Ms McDonald-Lee discussed the 2016 Local Government Road Safety Awards (see flyer at Attachment Seven). Mr Le Cerf suggested the Shire of Plantagenet may have a road to enter.

Ms McDonald-Lee also highlighted the upcoming Mount Barker Community Fair to be held on 28 November 2015 at Frost Park and suggested the Committee book a stall.

Action: Ms Chadbourne be requested to book a stall for the Plantagenet RoadWise Committee at the Mount Barker Community Fair.

6.2 MAIN ROADS WA

Mr Duffield was an apology.

6.3 MOUNT BARKER POLICE

Mount Barker Police had no report.

6.4 SHIRE OF PLANTAGENET

Mr Le Cerf detailed the Shire's 2015/16 road construction program and pointed out it was the largest ever due to the amount of State and Federal funding received. Winter grading was nearly complete and the construction program was due to commence late September 2015.

7 NEXT MEETING

Thursday 1 October 2015 at 2.00pm.

8 MEETING CLOSURE

At 3.23pm the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed.

Presiding Member

Date