



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 11 April 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)

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 2.00 pm, Cr L Handasyde opened the meeting.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIESAttendance

Cr L Handasyde	Council Representative
Cr B Bell	Council Representative
Mr D Lynch	Manager Works and Services
Mr R Barrett	Mount Barker Community College
Sgt D Johnson	Mount Barker Police
Mr Brad Lenton	Deputy for Mr Duffield
Mrs E Drage	Community Representative

Staff

Ms T Powell	Administration, Works and Services
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Apology

Mrs A Smithson	RoadWise Officer
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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 Mr D Johnson;

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Committee, held on Thursday 7 February 2019 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 COURTESY SPEED DISPLAY SIGNS**

Courtesy Speed Display Signs (CSDS) are due to arrive in Mount Barker 16 April 2019. The committee discussed where they should be placed for maximum impact and it was agreed that one should be placed facing north on Albany Highway near Nunarrup Street and the other on Porongurup Road near Martin Street. The CSDS can be moved over the month to alternative locations.

5.2 SAFE ROAD USE

5.2.1 DRIVER REVIVER

It was agreed that the next March Driver Reviver would run from midday to midnight to accommodate the volume of traffic travelling south for the Race Wars and other events occurring over the March long weekend. It was agreed that if members of the Mount Barker Police were to conduct an RBT, it would take place during daylight hours for safety reasons.

See Attachment One for statistics from the March 2019 Driver Reviver.

5.2.2 BLESSING OF THE ROADS CAMPAIGN

Mr Barrett advised that there were a reasonable number of attendees at the Blessing of the Roads organised by the Mount Barker Community College and held at The Rec Centre. This will be the preferred venue for future Blessing of the Roads

Mr Barrett advised that the speaker spoke very well and effectively conveyed his message to listeners. Mr Barrett also advised that he would be applying for sponsorship for future speakers.

Cr Handasyde reiterated the RoadWise Committee's congratulations and gratitude on a successful Blessing of the Roads event.

5.3 SAFE ROADS AND ROADSIDES

5.3.1 TURNING VEHICLE REQUEST

Mr Lynch advised the meeting that the request for a turning vehicle sign on Porongurup Road was not considered to be necessary. Mr Lynch stated that the advisory sign, (90/km/h sign) would be re-located 300m to the west from its current position on Porongurup Road.

Action: Mr Lynch be requested to organise the relocation of the 90km/h speed sign on Porongurup Road 300m west of its original position.

5.3.2 SIGNAGE AT TRUCK BAY ON ALBANY HIGHWAY

The current signage at the truck bay on Albany Highway was discussed by the group and it was agreed that it would be left on the agenda for now

Cr Bell suggested that the sign on the west side of Albany Highway, facing the southern exit to United Fuel, be turned on a right angle to face the traffic heading north. See Attachment Two.

5.3.3 ADVISORY SIGNAGE - GRAVEL ROADS

Following a number of recent accidents on Plantagenet gravel roads, discussion centred on placing advisory signs on strategic gravel roads to remind motorists to drive to the conditions. For example '*Gravel roads ahead. Drive to the conditions*'.

Moved Cr Bell, Seconded Mrs Drage;

That advisory signs reminding motorists to drive to the conditions (eg '*Gravel road ahead – drive to the conditions*') be placed on strategic gravel roads within the Shire of Plantagenet.

CARRIED

5.3.4 WOMBAT HUMP - LOWOOD ROAD

Cr Sue Etherington discussed the request she had received from a Mount Barker resident who is applying for a guide dog

Mr Lynch reminded the meeting of the discussion that took place at the RoadWise Meeting of 6 December 2018 where the Council agreed that the crossing and the wombat hump would be left in its current state.

6 AGENCY REPORTS

6.1 ROADWISE

No reports from Mrs Smithson as she was an apology for the meeting.

6.2 MAIN ROADS WA

Mr Lenton commented on the discussion around the lowering of the speed limits on Lowood Road.

It was agreed to leave the discussion about the lowering of the speed limits from roundabout to roundabout on Lowood Road on the Agenda.

6.3 MOUNT BARKER POLICE

Sgt Johnson highlighted the recent SLOMO advertising campaign where motorists must slow down to 40km/hr when passing Emergency Service vehicles and workers on roads or face a \$300.00 infringement.

6.4 SHIRE OF PLANTAGENET

Mr Lynch informed the meeting that the 2018/2019 road construction program was near completion and advised of future sealing and re-sealing projects on Shire roads.

6.5 MOUNT BARKER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Mr Barrett advised the meeting that he was considering applying for a grant to conduct defensive driver courses for the MBCC students using Frost Park as the venue. Mr Lynch advised that he had several contacts that he could supply to Mr Barrett and that he did not consider Frost Park to be the best venue for this project.

6.6 COMMUNITY MEMBER

No report from Mrs Drage.

7 NEXT MEETING

Thursday 30 June 2019 at 2.00pm

8 MEETING CLOSURE

At 3.20pm, Cr L Handasyde closed the meeting.

Presiding Member

Date

Attachment Two
