



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.*

Meeting of the RoadWise Committee held in the
Council Committee Room, Lowood Road, Mount Barker WA 6324
2.00pm Thursday 11 June 2020

Rob Stewart
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Committee Members

Cr Len Handasyde, Cr Brett Bell - Local Government Elected members, Mr David Lynch - Manager Works and Services, Mr Carl Beck - RoadWise Officer, Mr Andrew Duffield - Main Roads WA, Sergeant David Johnson - Mount Barker Police, Mr Roger Barrett - Mount Barker Community College, Mrs Elsa Drage - Community Representative, Mr Leon Pitt, Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens Association (Resolution No. 208/19)

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Presiding Member: Cr L Handasyde

Deputy Presiding Member: Cr B Bell

Membership: Quorum (5)

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

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

At 2.00pm, Cr Handasyde declared the meeting open.

He welcomed Ms Pauline Hughes, who is to be the new Mount Barker Community College committee member.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIESAttendance

Cr L Handasyde	Council Representative
Cr B Bell	Council Representative
Cr K Woltering	Council Representative
Mr D Lynch	Executive Manager Works and Services
Mr C Beck	Roadwise Officer
Mr A Duffield	Main Roads WA
Mrs E Drage	Community Representative
Snr Constable K Brown	Mount Barker Police

Staff

Ms A Chadbourne	Senior Administration, Works and Services
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Apologies

Sgt D Johnson	Mount Barker Police
Mr L Pitt	Mount Barker Community College P&C Association

Visitor

Ms P Hughes	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 Ms E Drage;

That the minutes of the Meeting of the RoadWise Committee, held on Thursday 13 February 2020 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**

Mr Beck reported funding for Courtesy Speed Display Signs (CSDS) would be available later in the year.

Loan CSDS (WALGA) will be available to the Shire In August/September this year and suggested locations were:

- Albany Highway between the school crossing and the northern Woogenellup Road roundabout;
- Oatlands Road; and
- Muir Highway.

It was suggested that the signs be positioned for one week in each location.

5.2 SAFE ROAD USE**5.2.1 DRIVER REVIVER**

See Attachment One for a report and statistics on the event held on Friday 28 February 2020.

The meeting agreed it was the most successful DR to date in terms of numbers of vehicles and people stopping.

The Committee agreed to look at hosting a second event for the year on the Queen's Birthday weekend on Friday 25 September 2020 at the same site provided the Cranbrook Committee were not already doing so.

Mr Lynch reported that he had inspected a caravan at the O'Neill Road WMF for possible use as a Driver Reviver caravan. He advised it wasn't suitable. It was suggested the Committee should continue to look for other options and suitable funding.

5.2.2 BLESSING OF THE ROADS CAMPAIGN

The Blessing of the Roads 2020 event was not held at the Mount Barker Community College (MBCC) due to COVID-19.

The Committee discussed earlier planning for 2021 and a date that would suit the MBCC and its students.

It was requested to keep the item on the Agenda for planning for 2021.

5.3 SAFE ROADS AND ROADSIDES

5.3.1 CARBARUP ROAD

Following the RoadWise Meeting in February 2020, advisory chevron signs on the approach to both sides of the floodway and depth markers on each side of the floodway crossing have been installed. Pruning of vegetation has also been carried out.

Mr Lynch attended a Road Safety Audit at the Carbarup/Moorilup/Collins Roads intersection. The auditor advised the intersection met specifications but could have a couple of minor adjustments. A report is to be submitted to the Shire with recommendations.

6 AGENCY REPORTS

6.1 ROADWISE

See report from Mr Beck at Attachment Two.

Mr Beck discussed Cranbrook's RoadWise Committee which had recently folded. The Shire of Cranbrook is establishing a Road Safety Working Group which is looking at holding a Driver Reviver. The first will be held at the Heavy Vehicle Rest Bay on the Great Southern Highway.

Mr Beck also highlighted Main Roads WA (MRWA) success in obtaining funding for two VMBs specifically for use in the Great Southern Region for Driver Reviver sites.

6.2 MAIN ROADS WA

Mr Duffield reported on MRWA support for regional police when conducting roadblocks for COVID-19 travel restrictions. He advised that traffic volumes reduced greatly during this time and are now back to normal levels.

Various road construction programs have been completed including the Kalgan South Coast Highway upgrade and the Kojaneerup section of South Coast Highway.

Planning for the Albany Ring Road is near completion with construction due to start in September this year. It is estimated the work will take two to three years at a cost of \$175 million.

A shoulder sealing program is due to start next financial year and funding has been received for this project for up to ten years.

6.3 MOUNT BARKER POLICE

Senior Constable Brown reported on local statistics during the COVID-19 restriction period, notably an increase in drink driving offenses. Drivers without seatbelts also increased during this time, however crash

statistics reduced markedly. As a result of new hygiene requirements, RBT procedures have changed.

The recent June long weekend (travel restrictions lifted as of this date) was noted as being a very busy time with large numbers of people travelling to the Great Southern.

6.4 SHIRE OF PLANTAGENET

Mr Lynch advised that storm damaged roads are now being repaired by contractors. He confirmed that it has taken over a year to get to this point due to the new claims system and the requirements/expectations for Shires under the federally funded system were high.

6.5 MOUNT BARKER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Cr Handasyde welcomed Ms Pauline Hughes, representative for the Mount Barker Community College.

Ms Hughes informed the meeting of the new pick-up and drop-off system for students coming to the school by car. The system has been instigated as a result of COVID-19 requirements.

6.6 COMMUNITY MEMBER

Mrs Drage expressed her support for the proposed Driver Reviver in September.

7 NEXT MEETING

Thursday 13 August 2020 at 2.00pm

8 MEETING CLOSURE

At 3.10pm, Cr Handasyde closed the meeting.

Presiding Member

Date

ATTACHMENT TWO
