

ROADWISE COMMITTEE

MEETING

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 October 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 Andrea Smithson - 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, 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 Cr B Bell Cr B Lang | Council Representative Council Representative Deputy for Cr Handasyde |
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| 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 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 |
| 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

Cr Handasyde opened the meeting at 2.05pm.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

Attendance

| Cr L Handasyde | Council Representative |
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| Cr B Bell | Council Representative |
| Mr D Lynch | Manager Works and Services |
| Mrs A Smithson | RoadWise Officer |
| Mr A Duffield | Main Roads WA |
| Mrs E Drage | Community Representative |
| Mrs D Smith | Mount Barker Community College P&C Association |
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Visitors Sgt L Seton Mount Barker Police

<u>Staff</u> Ms A Chadbourne Senior Administration, Works and Services

Apologies Mr R Barrett Mount Barker Community College

3 DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Nil

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Mrs E Drage, Seconded Cr B Bell;

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Committee, held on Thursday 9 August 2018 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 ALBANY HIGHWAY – OPTIONS FOR A TRUCK PARKING BAY

Mr Lynch inspected the visitor pull-in bay on Albany Highway for a truck parking bay and advised Committee Members that its current layout is only suitable for 'as of right' vehicles and not heavy vehicles. Any modifications would require significant and expensive roadworks for which there is currently no budget item.

Mrs Smithson queried the need for the truck parking bay and suggested definitive statistics would provide good support for this option.

Moved Cr B Bell, Seconded Mrs E Drage;

Mr Lynch be requested to discuss with the Chief Executive Officer the possibility of a workshop being held with the Council to look at options for a truck pull-in bay at the visitor pull-in bay or to identify other suitable locations.

CARRIED

5.1.2 COURTESY SPEED DISPLAY SIGNS

Cr Handasyde reminded committee members about the Courtesy Speed Display Signs (CSDS) which are available for loan from WALGA RoadWise. These signs had been highlighted by Mrs Smithson at the 9 August 2018 meeting.

Action: Ms Chadbourne be requested to contact WALGA to organise the loan of the Courtesy Speed Display Signs for use on local roads.

5.2 SAFE ROAD USE

5.2.1 DRIVER REVIVER

Committee Members discussed the Driver Reviver (DR) event held on the Queen's Birthday weekend – Friday 21 September 2018 at the new Cranbrook rest/truck bay on the corner of Great Southern Highway and Albany Highway

A number of items were discussed with the following points agreed upon by Committee Members:

- The next DR is to be held at the Cranbrook rest/truck bay on the corner of Albany Highway and Great Southern Highway;
- A Traffic Management Plan (TMP) would be implemented when Random Breath Tests (RBT) are to be run by local Police as part of the event with the RBT to be conducted within the time frame of 9pm to midnight. Communication about the RBT is to be with Sgt L Seton;
- Where possible the Shire of Cranbrook's Variable Message Signs (VMS) are to be used together with Main Roads VMS;
- A Management Plan is to be developed to include clear processes for setting up and packing away;
- Volunteers from the RoadWise Committee will assist with rostering and setting up for the event;

• Cr L Handasyde to make contact with the Cranbrook RoadWise Committee to discuss working together on future DRs.

Moved Mr A Duffield, Seconded Cr B Bell;

Mr D Lynch be requested to recommend to the Council that the RoadWise Committee have a line item in the 2019/20 budget of \$10,000.00 for road safety activities.

5.2.2 ROAD RIBBON FOR ROAD SAFETY[®] CAMPAIGN

This year's campaign will run from Sunday 18 November 2018 to Friday 4 January 2019 (see Attachment One).

Committee Members discussed ideas for the 2018 campaign based on past years' experience and the following plan was agreed upon:

- Ribbons to be available to members of the public at the front counter of the Shire Administration Office and also the Mount Barker Police Station;
- Committee members to approach local businesses to see if they would display the road ribbons;
- Provided approval is given, Shire staff to include the campaign message on email signatures;
- Mrs Smithson to provide information about the media opportunities page; and
- Information to be sent to the Mount Barker Police Station so it can be sent through the 'Twitter' account.

5.2.3 BLOW 0.00 AND WIN CAMPAIGN

Committee members discussed the idea of running the campaign again in 2018/19 in conjunction with the Mount Barker Police. The merits of the approach used by the Denmark RoadWise Committee in their 'Denmark Sober Super Hero' campaign were discussed, which involved approaching local businesses for a donation of a voucher which were used as an instant reward for drivers recording a zero BAC.

Action: Mrs Smithson be requested to:

1. Contact the Denmark RoadWise Committee and ask for their support for the 'Sober Super Hero' concept to be used in Mount Barker; and 2. Prepare a plan for the Committee to run a similar campaign, including templates for letters and any other resources required.

5.3 SAFE ROADS & ROADSIDES

5.3.1 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ON LOWOOD ROAD, MOUNT BARKER

See Attachment Two for explanation about warrants for zebra crossings and also recent traffic counts for Lowood Road.

Moved Cr B Bell, Seconded Mrs A Smithson;

Mr Lynch be requested to discuss with the Chief Executive Officer the possibility of a workshop to be held with the Council to discuss options for the section of Lowood Road from the 'top roundabout' to Short Street and to include in the workshop, consideration of where pedestrians should cross Lowood Road.

5.3.2 VARIABLE MESSAGE SIGN (VMS) TRAILER

Cr Handasyde suggested the RoadWise Committee could look at funding for a Variable Message Sign (VMS). Mrs Smithson advised the Road Safety Commission was not currently funding VMS.

Moved Cr B Bell, Seconded Cr L Handasyde

Mr D Lynch be requested to recommend to the Council that the purchase of a Variable Message Sign be included in the 2019/20 budget.

6 AGENCY REPORTS

6.1 ROADWISE

Mrs Smithson thanked Cr Handasyde for presenting on behalf of the Plantagenet RoadWise Committee at the recent Road Safety Conference held in Cranbrook.

She advised the Road Safety Commission would begin consultation for a new Road Safety Strategy next year as 'Below Zero' finishes in 2020.

6.2 MAIN ROADS WA

Mr Duffield reported on recent Main Roads (MR) construction and maintenance works as follows:

- 2019/20 RRG road grant applications have been assessed and will go to the RRG in November;
- Capital projects include works on South Coast Highway, Albany Highway (Kojonup) and Great Southern Highway;

- Preparations have begun for the centenary of the Armistice in November and the expected extra numbers of people and traffic; and
- The recent application from CBH for triple road trains on Albany was being assessed.

6.3 MOUNT BARKER POLICE

Sgt L Seton advised the meeting that Sgt A McRae would be retiring as OIC of the Mount Barker Police Station in November 2018.

Local police had increased traffic enforcement in the last six months with no recent reports of serious accidents. The Christmas-New Year period campaign would focus on breath testing and speed.

Cr Bell highlighted to the meeting that motorists ignore the stop sign at the intersection of Memorial Road and Albany Highway. Sgt Seton suggested the information be passed on to the Great Southern Traffic Enforcement Group in Albany.

Moved Cr B Bell, Seconded Mrs E Drage:

Mr Lynch be requested to ask the Chief Executive Officer to write to the Great Southern Traffic Enforcement Group in Albany to advise them of the Memorial Road/Albany Highway intersection and behaviour of motorists at this site.

6.4 SHIRE OF PLANTAGENET

Ms Chadbourne advised of planning for the Pile Road/Muir Highway intersection which was to be improved with BlackSpot funding. Also that WANDRRA works were nearly complete and a third payment had been received by the Shire.

Also, the construction program for 2018/19 was due to commence mid-October starting with Stothard Road.

6.5 MOUNT BARKER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Mr Barrett was an apology for the meeting.

6.6 COMMUNITY MEMBER

Mrs Drage did not have a report.

7 NEXT MEETING

Thursday 6 December 2018 at 2.00pm

8 MEETING CLOSURE

Cr Handasyde closed the meeting at 3.25pm.

Presiding Member

Date

Attachment Two