

### **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.

A Meeting of the RoadWise Committee was held in the Council Committee Room, Lowood Road, Mount Barker WA 6324 2.00pm Thursday 15 October 2020

Paul Shoody

Paul Sheedy ACTING 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), Ms Pauline Hughes, Mount Barker Community College (Resolution No. 160/20)

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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

Ms P Hughes Mount Barker Community College

Mr W Beck Deputy for Ms P Hughes
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

2.00pm Cr Handasyde declared the meeting open.

#### 2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

Attendance

Cr L Handasyde Council Representative Cr B Bell Council Representative

Mr D Lynch Executive Manager Works and Services

Mr C Beck RoadWise Officer
Sgt D Johnson Mount Barker Police
Mr B Lenton Deputy for Mr A Duffield

Ms P Hughes Mount Barker Community College

Mrs E Drage Community Representative

Mr L Pitt Mount Barker Community College P&C Association

Staff

Ms A Chadbourne Senior Administration Officer, Works and Services

#### 3 DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Part 5, Division 6, Local Government Act 1995

Nil.

#### 4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Mrs E Drage, Seconded Cr B Bell;

That the minutes of the Meeting of the RoadWise Committee, held on Thursday 13 August 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 (CSDS)

Loan CSDS (WALGA) were installed on Albany Highway - between the school crossing and the northern Woogenellup Road roundabout as well as Langton Road – within the 50km/h zone.

Committee members discussed and agreed the signs were a worthwhile project. Mr Beck advised Kojonup had recently received part grant funding for three signs and had installed them at the entrances to the townsite.

#### **COMMITTEE DECISION**

Moved Mr L Pitt, seconded Mrs E Drage:

#### That it be a recommendation to the Council:

 That an allocation in the 2021/22 budget be included to purchase one Courtesy Speed Display Sign for use in the Mount Barker townsite.

Action: Mr Lynch be requested to recommend to the Council during the 2021/22 budget process that funding be put aside to purchase a CSDS for use in townsites in the Shire.

#### 5.2 SAFE ROAD USE

#### 5.2.1 DRIVER REVIVER

Feedback was received from the recent Driver Reviver held on Friday 25 September. See Attachment One for a report from Cr Handasyde.

Cr Handasyde thanked Main Roads for use of the light tower, the Shire of Cranbrook for the VMB, Cr Bell for bringing the toilet to the site and Mrs Drage for organising the roster.

One suggestion noted for improvement was to place the light tower on the north eastern side of the site and that a trailer adaptor be provided for the Shire's equipment trailer.

#### 5.2.2 BLESSING OF THE ROADS CAMPAIGN

To be kept on the Agenda for planning for 2021.

5.2.3 ROAD RIBBON FOR ROAD SAFETY® CAMPAIGN

The campaign is to run from 15 November 2020 to January 2021.

5.2.4 BLOW 0.00 AND WIN / SOBER SUPER HERO CAMPAIGN

The 2019/20 campaign was held over two weeks – last week of January and first week of February 2020.

It was agreed this item would be discussed further at the December meeting. Mr Beck advised he has an allocation in his budget if needed for the campaign.

#### 5.3 SAFE ROADS AND ROADSIDES

5.3.1 LOWOOD ROAD - PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING TREATMENTS

Cr Bell highlighted the speeds recorded along Lowood Road and the need to slow vehicles down. Mr Lynch referred to the proposed traffic calming treatment shown in a design at Attachment Two.

#### **COMMITTEE DECISION**

Moved Cr B Bell, seconded Ms P Hughes:

That it be a recommendation to the Council:

 That Mr Lynch present to the Council for consideration the Proposed Traffic Calming treatments on Lowood Road Mount Barker as drawn up by WML.

#### 5.3.2 TOWER ROAD - SPEED LIMIT

Sgt Johnson advised members of the Mount Barker Police Force had recently clocked a motorist on Tower Road travelling in excess of 100km/h. As a result he had contacted Main Roads to determine the speed limit as currently there are no speed advisory signs on the road.

The speed limit is undetermined. Sgt Johnson suggested that with the developments proposed to take place at Tower Hill (Pwakkenbak Hill) and more visitors and vehicles expected in the area, a speed limit is required.

Action: Mr Lenton from Main Roads WA offered to report to Sgt Johnson and the Shire on the speed limit for Tower Road.

#### 6 AGENCY REPORTS

#### 6.1 ROADWISE

See report from Mr Beck at Attachment Three.

Mr Beck highlighted that radar detectors are now banned in Western Australia.

He also reminded those present that registrations were open for the Great Southern Road Safety Forum.

#### 6.2 MAIN ROADS WA

Mr Lenton reported on shoulder sealing by Main Roads WA which is to take place in the next six to twelve months on Albany Highway between Mount Barker and Albany. He suggested that the Main Roads Travel Map is a good site for motorists to keep up-to-date with what is happening on roads in Western Australia.

The link is here - <a href="https://travelmap.mainroads.wa.gov.au/">https://travelmap.mainroads.wa.gov.au/</a>

Also, similar works are to take place on Chester Pass Road.

Mr Lenton reminded the committee that works are to take place starting January 2021on overtaking lanes at South Coast Highway.

#### 6.3 MOUNT BARKER POLICE

Sgt Johnson reported an increase in drink driving charges and speeding infringements in the Shire.

He also advised of a fatality on Chester Pass Road yesterday. As yet, the reason for the accident is unexplained.

#### 6.4 SHIRE OF PLANTAGENET

Mr Lynch reported on the road sealing coming up as part of the Shire's construction program for 2020/21.

He advised that a further 2km of Wilson Road is to be newly sealed.

He also reported that Carbarup Road from the railway crossing to Woogenellup Road is to be mulched in early 2021.

#### 6.5 MOUNT BARKER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Ms Hughes reported that she was advertising the upcoming Road Safety Event to students at the college.

#### 6.6 COMMUNITY MEMBER

Mrs Drage reported that September was a quiet month for St John Ambulance. October had been busier to date with lots of transfers of patients to Albany.

Mrs Drage expressed her concern with the crossing on Albany Highway at the Booth Street intersection. She said she had observed children crossing there and due to the alignment of the highway, it was not always obvious to motorists, especially visitors.

Action: Mr Lenton and Mr Lynch be requested to assess the road crossing area at the Booth Street intersection with Albany Highway and determine if any improvements can be made for pedestrian and motorist safety.

#### 7 NEXT MEETING

Thursday 10 December 2020 at 2.00pm

#### 8 MEETING CLOSURE

3.10pm Cr Handasyde declared the meeting closed.

Presiding Member	Date	

## **ATTACHMENT ONE**

#### **Amy Chadbourne**

From:Cr Len Handasyde <leh@fhfarms.com.au>Sent:Saturday, 26 September 2020 10:12 AMTo:Carl Beck; Amy Chadbourne; David Lynch

Cc: Paul Sheedy
Subject: Priver Reviver

#### Morning Everyone!

A late night. Got back in at just after 1:00 am.

The night went very well.

I have the paperwork which I will bring to the office next week sometime but in the meantime here's what happened.

113 cars stopped with 106 people taking a coffee/tea away and some of those with something to eat and 37 people used the toilet facility.

There were a lot of cars in the period from 17:00 to 19:00 where the WAPOL held a RBT at the site and directed traffic through the site. In fact 52 cars stopped in this period.

As usual there was a lot of support from our volunteers, Plantagenet Shire Staff and Cranbrook Shire Staff who allowed us to use their VMB. We also appreciate the effort from the MRWA staff who brought up the light tower and then took it back to Albany or will do today sometime. Brett Bell also came to assist towing the gear back to his place and was a great help on the night.

We had volunteers from the Mt Barker and Kendenup St John Ambulance Service, Mt Barker Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service, Shire Staff and one or two others I think.

This event continues to be worthwhile and I sincerely thank those who worked up the event, those who staffed it for those hours between 12:30 until 00:00 and those who remained to help us to pack it all down.

It terrific to see such good ongoing support for community events like this where people put themselves out to work towards saving the lives of others.

We never know the outcomes from these events. We always see people who are very tired and say things like: "we are really pleased that you people are here" People often are surprised that the service is free.

We must also thank our sponsors who provide the basic materials of coffee, tea, biscuits, etc including Toll and probably a few others.

The initiative is supported by WALGA and Local Governments throughout the region.

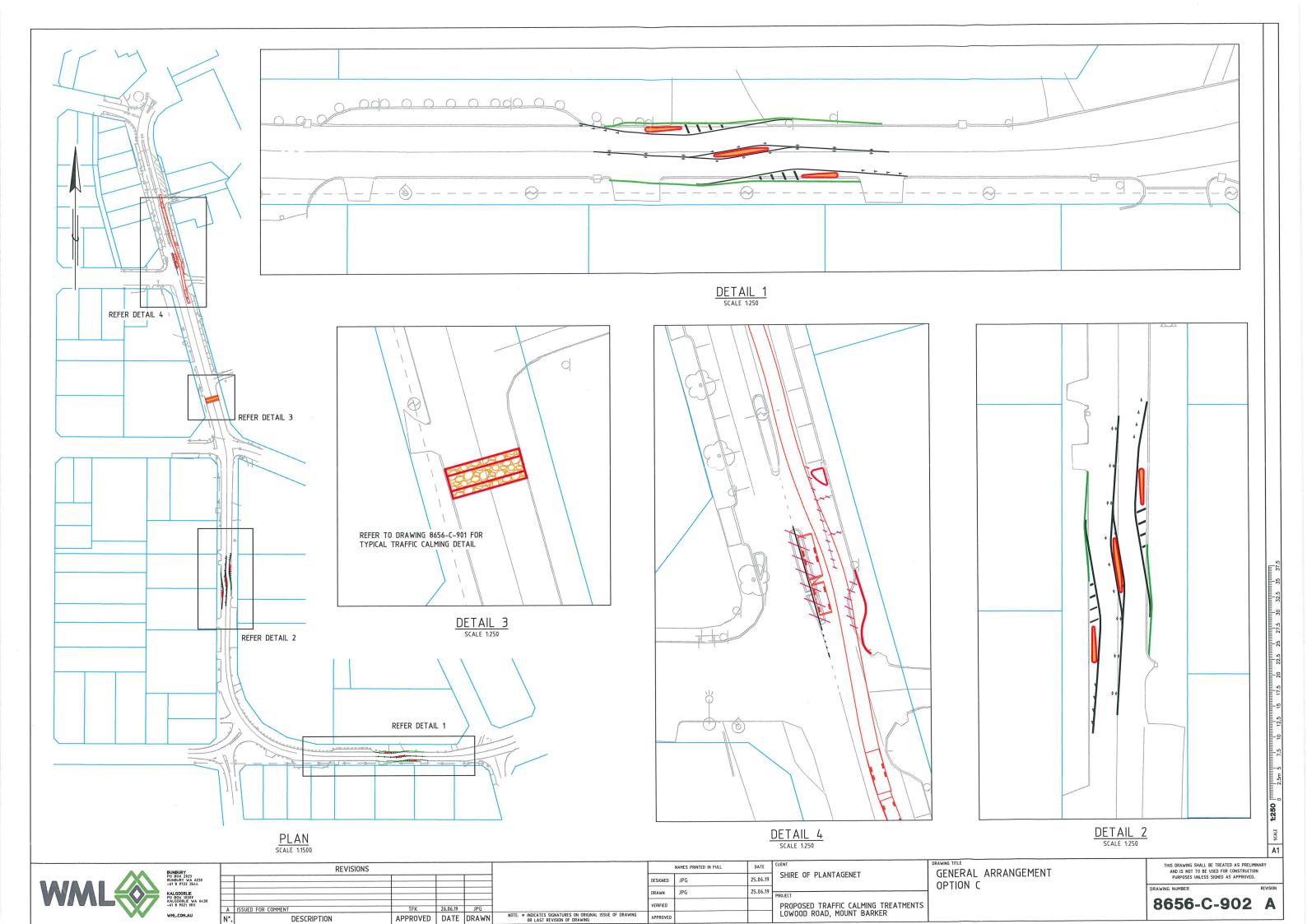
As usual whenever you drive, plan the drive, work out when you will stop and revive. Remember Stop, Revive, Survive so that you can Arrive.

Fatigue is still a big killer on our roads with Single Vehicle Runoff Road Crashes featuring far too much in the statistics.

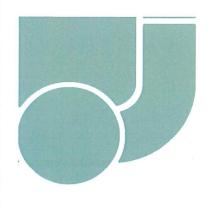
Ends, Len Handasyde

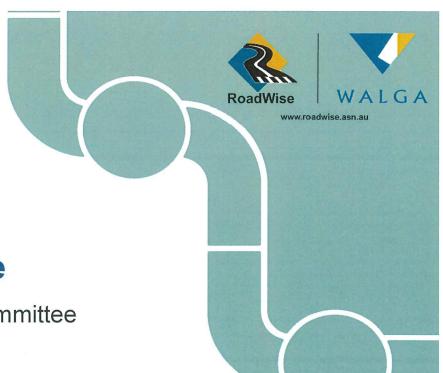
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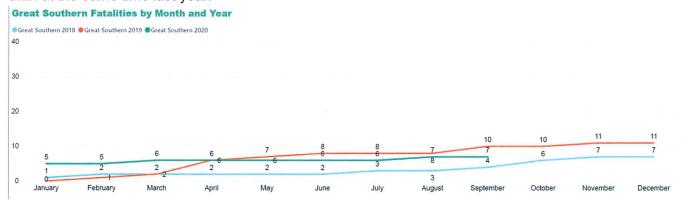


### **WALGA RoadWise**

Plantagenet RoadWise Committee Report October 2020

### **Regional Road Statistics**

There were no fatalities on the GS Road Network in September so the total year remains seven, two less than at the same time last year.

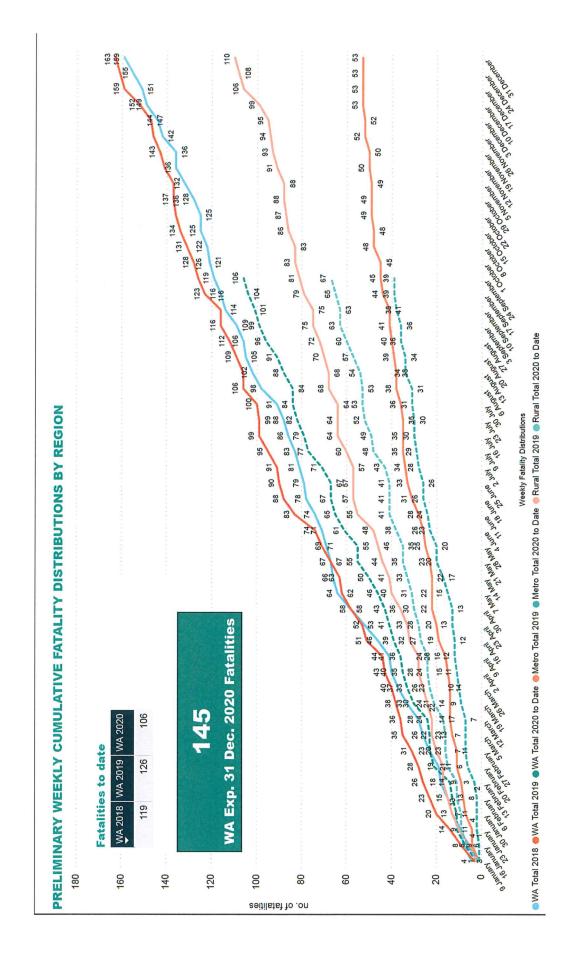


#### **FATALITIES BY REGION & ROAD TYPE, YEAR TO DATE**

Region	2018 Local	2018 State	2019 Local	2019 State	2020 Local	2020 State	
Goldfields - Esperance	2	2	8	1	4	1	
Great Southern	3	1	6	3	2	5	
Kimberley	1	5	3	3	6	2	
Metropolitan	29	15	30	15	21	18	
Midwest-Gascoyne	1	10	1	4	2	6	
Pilbara	0	3	1	6	0	1	
South West	13	9	18	8	9	12	
Wheatbelt	9	16	4	15	11	6	
Total	58	61	71	55	55	51	

State Statistics

Similar to the Great Southern Statistics the number of deaths on all WA road is lower than at the corresponding time last year (106compared to 126). The majority of deaths continues to be on rural roads.



### Radar detector legislation change campaign

Radar detectors are illegal in WA from 12 October 2020



#### Background

<u>Launching Wednesday 30 September</u> is the Road Safety Commission/State Government **Radar detector legislation change campaign** educates West Australians on the banning of radar detectors – bringing WA in line with the rest of the country.

From 12 October, the following penalties apply to drivers caught with radar detectors fitted to their vehicle:

- when driving a heavy vehicle: \$1,500 and 7 demerit points
- when driving a motor vehicle other than a heavy vehicle: \$1,200 and 7 demerit points

The tough new penalty marks the end of the road for those people who think they can outsmart speed cameras with radar detectors.

#### Campaign objective

Establish awareness of the new radar detector legislation and the associated penalties, and know the date that the legislation comes into effect.

It utilises a multi-media approach across television, radio, digital, press and out-of-home advertising in regional WA.

#### WALGA RoadWise Road Ribbon for Road Safety® Campaign 2020 – 15th November 2020

The annual WALGA RoadWise *Road Ribbon for Road Safety®* campaign is back for 2020, providing participants with an opportunity to directly contribute to road safety and the long-term vision of zero deaths and serious injuries on our roads.

Commencing on Sunday, 15 November, coinciding with the World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims, WALGA's RoadWise is encouraging members of the road safety network to participate in this road safety initiative.

A suite of new resources and tools has been developed to assist with the local delivery of the campaign. The *Road Ribbon for Road Safety*® Campaign Kit includes material with editable versions also available for download from the RoadWise website at <a href="https://www.roadwise.asn.au/road-ribbon-for-road-safety.aspx">www.roadwise.asn.au/road-ribbon-for-road-safety.aspx</a>.

Getting involved or inviting your community to participate in the campaign is a simple way to encourage road safety involvement, whilst providing the opportunity to promote local road safety initiatives and achievements. RoadWise can help promote your involvement through a range of communications. Email your Road ribbon promotions or activities to <u>roadwise@walgan.asu</u>.

Don't forget to place an order for free road ribbons to distribute to your community. Download the *Road Ribbon Order Form* from the RoadWise website; https://www.roadwise.asn.au/onlineform/

#### National Road Safety Week re-scheduled

Due to Covid-19, National Road Safety Week initial planned for May has been re-scheduled and will occur from 9th to 15th November 2020. The national launch in Sydney is proposed for Sunday 8th November 2020.

A number of Great Southern Community Groups have applied for grants to run Road Safety events and activities during this time with the following groups having been successful in securing funds.

- Mount Barker CRC 17<sup>th</sup> November 5pm-7pm Presentations on Road Safety and light supper
- Gnowangerup CRC Displays around town and at the CRC, Morning tea 9:30am 16th November
- Frankland River CRC Displays and Community BBQ Friday 19th November
- Shire of Kojonup Promotion of Fatigue Messages throughout the week

#### Plantagenet Driver Reviver

Shire of Plantagenet Driver Reviver stop on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September was very successful with 132 cars stopping during the operation.

## Proposed Denmark RoadWise Committee Project – Engaging Licenced Premises to address Drink Driving

The Denmark RoadWise Committee is currently developing a grant application to the Road Safety Commission to implement a project aimed at engaging Licenced Premises in reducing drink driving in Denmark.

If funded the project would include

- 1. Designated driver promotions at the Denmark Tavern, Denmark Hotel and Boston Brewery that would include:
  - a. Pull up "Designated Driver" promotional banners at major entries to the licenced premises.
  - b. Wristbands to be provided to patrons identifying as a designated driver
  - c. Provision of 2 x free soft drink vouchers to patrons identifying as a Designated Driver
- 2. Promotion of the Designated Driver message in local media
  - a. Paid adverts in the Denmark Bulletin and Albany Advertiser
  - b. Social Media promotion via the Shire of Denmark and GS Police facebook and twitter accounts.
  - c. Articles promoting the program in local print media, Shire and RoadWise newsletters etc.
- 3. Promotion of what a standard drink is by provision of signage and drink coasters displaying visual depictions of different standard drinks and how many standard drinks are in popular beverages (based on info from RSC Resources). Drink coasters to be provided free to the participating licenced premises.
- 4. Promotion of the Standard Drink and Designated driver messages at take away alcohol retailers via
  - a. Signage in venues
  - b. Provision of paper bags suitable for holding 1-2 wine bottles printed with the standard drink and designated drive messaging.
- 5. Promotion of the "Who's the Designated Driver" message via banners displayed at key locations within the Denmark town site.

#### **Upcoming events**

#### **RAC Caravan Towing Safety Project**

I have negotiated with RAC to have their current Caravan Safety Sessions expanded to include some sessions in the Albany and Esperance. The sessions are planned for Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October in Esperance and Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October in Albany (Centennial Park). I will provide more information once advertising commences.

A representative from RAC is also likely to present at the GS Road Safety Forum about this project and other upcoming RAC Road Safety initiatives

RAC encourages West Australians to travel safely and is offering free Caravan Safety sessions to prepare you for your next trip.

#### About this Event



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With increased numbers of travellers expected to hit the highway to experience a WA holiday, RAC is providing you the opportunity to master your caravan skills and travel safe with our complimentary safety sessions this winter.

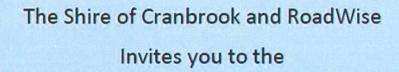
Participants can book in for a free one and a half hour session with a professional instructor, to learn how to safely reverse your caravan or trailer, check your tyres, learn about vehicle weights and other tips. Pius participants will have access to a hands-on lesson of what they've learnt.

#### What to bring?

Trainers on site will have a set up available for demos, however attendees are welcome to hook up their caravan and bring their own vehicle to use for the session including an inspection on the tow connection.

#### Location

Driver Risk Management 16 Grogan Road Perth Airport, WA 610S View Map

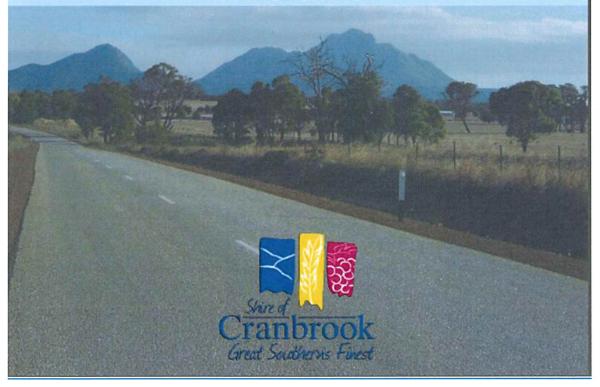


# 2020 Great Southern Road Safety Forum

Join road safety decision makers and practitioners from across the region for this free event to learn, share and network

26 November 2020 Cranbrook Sporting Complex 9:30am—3pm

For more information contact GS Road Safety Advisor Carl Beck cbeck@walga.asn.au



#### **National Road Safety Week Events**



Join us in working towards ZERO fatalities or serious injuries on our roads.

Members of the community are invited to attend our Blessing of the Roads event.

The Blessing of the Roads campaign aims to help create a zero-focused culture among those who design and build roads and vehicles, and those who use the road network.

This event will give us an opportunity to show you what we are doing for road safety in our community and how we are committed to the long-term vision of zero fatalities and serious injuries on our roads.

We will also be displaying yellow lights on The shire of Gnowangerup, the town hall and the Gnowangerup CRC building to represent the lives that have been lost.

By working together we can prevent road trauma.

Come join us:

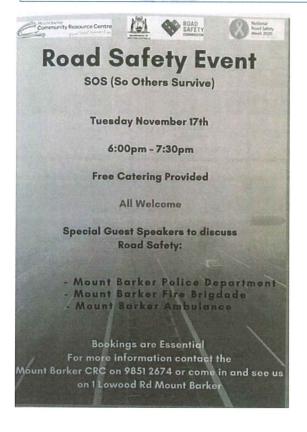
Date:

16th November 2020

Time:

9:30am

Location: Gnowangerup CRC—Court Yard





HERE IS YOUR
CHANCE TO BE A
PART OF SHAPING
OUR NEXT LOCAL
GOVERNMENT
BEST PRACTICE
GUIDE: SAFER ROAD
INFRASTRUCTURE

The next Best Practice Guide in ARRB's Local Government series will be focusing on Safer Road Infrastructure and will be developed specifically to assist Local Government practitioners to integrate the latest available best practice road safety principles when managing their road assets so they meet community obligations while at the same time improve travel mobility.

The diverse nature of services provided by Local Government may mean that road safety issues are not always high on the priority agenda. Responding to road safety issues can be a momentous challenge to fund within existing council budgets.

So you may be asking yourself, 'How can I influence my Council's performance in road safety? What can Council do to save people's lives on our roads?'

In local government where road safety funding is limited, we must reach beyond traditional mechanisms and leverage other funding pools and resources to achieve more holistic and sustained road safety benefits.

Embedding Safe System thinking in the lifecycle of the road – from asset management, to planning and design, to construction and finally to operations and maintenance – opens channels for more effective collaboration, opportunities and investment across the whole of Council' services.

And it need not come at any additional cost!