



## ROADWISE COMMITTEE

# MINUTES

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*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 17 January 2013

**John Fathers**  
**ACTING 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 Allan Keogh - Mount Barker Police, Mr Wesley Beck - Mount Barker Community College, Mr Arthur Patterson - Community Representative, Machele Jeffrey – Department of Transport (Resolution No. 243/11), Mr Greg Sounness – Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens Association (Resolution No. 72/12)*

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**Chairperson: Cr L Handasyde**

**Deputy Chairperson: Mr D Le Cerf**

**Membership: Quorum (4)**

Cr L Handasyde	Council Representative
Cr G Messmer	Council Representative
Mr D Le Cerf	Manager Works and Services
Ms E McDonald-Lee	RoadWise Officer
Mr A Duffield	Main Roads WA
Sgt A Keogh	Mount Barker Police
Mr W Beck	Mount Barker Community College
Mr A Patterson	Community Representative
Mr G Sounness	Mount Barker Community College P&C Association
Ms M Jeffrey	Department of Transport

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**1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS**

2.00pm, Cr Handasyde declared the meeting open and welcomed Erin McDonald-Lee as the new Roadwise Officer.

**2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES**Present:

Cr Len Handasyde	Chairperson
Cr Gert Messmer	Council Representative
Mr Dominic Le Cerf	Manager Works and Services
Ms Erin McDonald-Lee	Roadwise Officer
Mr Arthur Patterson	Community Representative
Mr Greg Sounness	Mount Barker Community College P&C
Mr Andrew Duffield	Main Roads WA
Sgt Al Keogh	Mount Barker Police (from 2.08pm)

Apologies:

Mr Wes Beck	Mount Barker Community College
Ms Machel Jeffrey	Department of Transport

Staff:

Ms Vanessa Ward	Senior Administration / Project Officer Works and Services
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**3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Moved: Cr Messmer, seconded: Mr Le Cerf**

**That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Committee, held Thursday 1 November 2012, be confirmed.**

**CARRIED**

**3.1 CORRESPONDENCE IN**

The following correspondence is attached at Appendix One:

- Children's Crossing – letter from Mount Barker Community College P&C;

Discussion was held regarding this letter. Mr Le Cerf advised that this issue was going before the Council on Tuesday 29 January 2013.

**4 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS****4.1 SAFE SPEEDS****4.1.1 SAM TRAILER**

*Action: Trailer to be placed on Woogenellup Road for the commencement of school on Monday 4 February 2013.*

#### 4.1.2 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

*Action: Ms Beech to update the Action Plan noting further to investigation, no further action required regarding the proposed speed zone reductions on Oatlands Road and Lowood Road.*

Action Plan updated.

#### 4.2 SAFE ROAD USE

##### 4.2.1 ALBANY HIGHWAY PROJECT - PROMOTING DRIVING WITH YOUR HEADLIGHTS ON

*Action: Mr Le Cerf to liaise with MRWA, other Councils and landowners as required regarding preferred sites for each of the signs.*

Letters have been sent to MRWA seeking approval for the erection of the signs on the Albany Highway Road Reserve. Letters also sent to the Shires of Cranbrook and Kojonup. See Appendix Two.

Signs have been completed by Albany Signs and are awaiting collection.

The signs have now been collected and are awaiting installation.

##### 4.2.2 DRIVER REVIVER DAY / WEEKEND

*Action: Ms Beech to investigate sponsorship opportunities.*

Letter has been sent to MRWA seeking permission to utilise the vehicle pull in bay on the corner of Albany Highway and Sturdee Road. See Appendix Three.

*Action: Ms Ward to draw up a timetable of events and roster for the Driver Reviver to be held on Friday 1 March and Saturday 2 March 2013.*

*Action: Mr Sounness to follow up the possibility of having a student representation from the Mount Barker Community College.*

##### 4.2.3 WHITE RIBBONS™ FOR ROAD SAFETY 2012

*Action: Ms Beech to order white ribbons and arrange distribution to Shire Staff, Councillors and out centres.*

Ribbons issued to members of Council, staff and out centres. Ribbons were also made available to the general public. See Appendix four

#### 4.2.4 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

*Action: Ms Beech to update the Action Plan to include participation in the 2012/13 White Ribbons campaign and progress of Albany Highway and Driver Reviver projects.*

#### 4.2.5 DOUBLE WHITE LINE CROSSINGS

Possibility of media campaign discouraging crossing a double white line. For discussion

*Action: Sgt Keogh to organise an article for the local paper.*

**Moved: Cr Messer, seconded: Mr Sounness**

***A letter be written to the Road Safety Council expressing our concern over the number of incidents involving double white line crossings and request a media campaign.***

### 4.3 SAFE VEHICLES

#### 4.3.1 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS

*Action: Committee members to think of ideas for a Media Release to be printed in the Plantagenet News regarding the Safe Vehicles cornerstone – ideas could include: check your tyres, change your wiper blades, appropriate tyre pressures.*

4.3.2 *Action: A media release about the importance of regular maintenance of vehicles, trailers, caravans, boats and the securing of loads be prepared for the local paper.*

### 4.4 SAFE ROADS & ROADSIDES

#### 4.4.1 SPENCER ROAD / YELLANUP ROAD - ALBANY HIGHWAY INTERSECTION

*Action: That a formal request be made to Main Roads WA seeking a written response to the Albany Highway/Yellanup Road, Road Safety Audit Report.*

Letter sent to Main Roads WA. See Appendix Five.

Mr Duffield advised that approval had been received to clear and maintain the intersection to a height of 500mm. This will greatly improve the sight lines at this intersection.

#### 4.4.2 STUDENT PEDESTRIAN CROSSING AND ELECTRONIC SIGNAGE – ALBANY HIGHWAY

See attached copy of letter from Mount Barker Community College P&C and response from Mr Rob Stewart, CEO Shire of Plantagenet.

A concept plan from Main Roads WA is also attached. See Appendix Six.

Mr Duffield advised that electronic school zone signage is approximately \$10,000 per post and a minimum of 6 posts would be required. He recommended that the crossing be approved first and then deal with the signage.

#### 4.4.3 HAY RIVER ROAD/ST WERBURGHS ROAD INTERSECTION ALIGNMENT

2013/2014 State Black Spot Application submitted in July 2012.

Mr Le Cerf advised that the fenceline clearing would be commencing on Monday 21 January 2013.

#### 4.4.4 TURNING LANE – O'NEILL ROAD/ALBANY HIGHWAY INTERSECTION

*Action: Mr Le Cerf to speak with Mr Peter Stringer regarding a design for this intersection and then apply to MRWA regarding costing.*

Mr Le Cerf sent an email to Peter Stringer (MRWA) regarding this action (23/8/12).

*Action: Mr Le Cerf to liaise with Main Roads WA in relation to this project possibly being a shared funding arrangement.*

*Action: Mr Le Cerf to prepare an agenda item for the February meeting of Council.*

Mr Duffield advised that a sketch is available from Main Roads WA for the design of the turning lane from Albany Highway into O'Neill Road Mount Barker.

#### 4.4.5 WET WEATHER VISIBILITY – INTERSECTIONS

*Action: Mr Duffield to schedule a night audit of the Muir Highway / Eulup-Manurup Road intersection to determine visibility issues and provide recommendations to rectify any issues identified.*

*Action: Mr Patterson to follow up with the member of the public for feedback regarding suggested solutions.*

Mr Duffield advised that reflective ??? can be installed at the intersection of Muir Highway and Eulup-Manurup Road. Advanced warning signs are also to be installed at this location.

#### 4.4.6 ACTION PLAN PROGRESS



## 5 AGENCY REPORTS

### RoadWise

The White Ribbons™ for Road Safety 2012 campaign finished on Monday – 7th January 2013. Thank you to the Shire for taking part again this year. The White Ribbons™ were displayed in the Shire foyer as well as distributed to staff and elected members. There was also a media release which was published in the Plantagenet News. This is a great campaign for highlighting road safety awareness around the holiday period when many people are travelling and there is a potential increase in impaired driving.

### Blessing of the Roads

The committee was asked to give thought to any suitable person to speak at the Blessing of the Roads.

### Main Roads

- Mr Duffield advised that Main Roads have had a look at the intersection of Boyup Road and Mallawillup Road and it doesn't require a STOP sign only a GIVE-WAY sign. The Shire of Plantagenet has also been requested to relocate the road name sign from its existing position.
- Resealing program commenced
- Crash statistics have been updated and will be available shortly
- It is proposed that 9 overtaking lanes will be constructed between Albany and Williams over the next 4 years. It is planned for 2 per year to be constructed.

### Police

Sgt Keogh advised that the Plantagenet Shire had a fatality free Christmas. There were a number of crashes but nothing too serious.

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## 6 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will held on Thursday 9 March at 2.00pm

## 7 MEETING CLOSURE

3.22pm, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

**CONFIRMED: CHAIRPERSON** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE** \_\_/\_\_/\_\_