

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 19 April 2018

John Fathers ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Committee Members

Cr Len Handasyde, Cr Brett Bell - Local Government Elected members, Mr David Lynch - Manager Works and Services, Mrs Erin Miller - 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, Ms M Ballard – Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens Association (Resolution No. 230/17)

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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 E Miller | RoadWise Officer | | | |
| Mr A Duffield | Main Roads WA | | | |
| Mr L McCartin | 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 | | | |
| Ms M Ballard | Mount Barker Community College P&C Association | | | |
| Mr A Fraser | Deputy for Ms M Ballard | | | |

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

At 2.00pm Cr Handasyde opened the meeting.

Cr Handasyde welcomed and introduced three members of the Cranbrook RoadWise Committee (see Attachment One) and Mr G Hayes, Kimberley Road Safety Advisor via teleconference.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

| <u>Attendance</u> Cr L Handasyde Cr B Bell Mr D Lynch Mr R Barrett Mrs E Drage | Council Representative Council Representative Manager Works and Services Mount Barker Community College Community Representative |
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| <u>Staff</u> Ms T Powell | Administration Officer, Works and Services |
| <u>Apologies</u> Sgt A McRae | Mount Barker Police |
| <u>Visitor</u> Ms D Wills Mr M Humble | Cranbrook RoadWise Committee Chair Cranbrook RoadWise Committee Secretary |
| Ms A Parsons | Cranbrook RoadWise Committee Member |
| Mr G Hayes (via telephone link) | Road Safety Advisor, Kimberley |

3 DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Part 5 Division 6 Local Government Act 1995

Nil.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved Mrs Drage, Seconded Cr B Bell;

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Committee, held on Thursday 8 February 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 SCHOOL CROSSING – 40KM/HR FLASHING SIGNS

Mr Lynch has spoken with Mr Lenton from Main Roads but as yet has nothing to report - no decision has been made by MRWA.

Action: Mr Lynch be requested to follow up with MRWA to determine the progress of an assessment of the school crossing on Albany Highway. Also whether flashing lights may be installed in this area and whether MRWA could assist with funding.

Cr Bell noted that discussions around the truck stop on Albany Highway opposite the United Service Station be widened to accommodate trucks parking side by side was not included in the last minutes.

Mr Lynch advised that he has spoken to the owner of the Valley Views Motel and to the owner of United Fuel to request that people do not park on this section of Albany Highway and to contact the Shire to arrange another place to park, with particular reference to contractors lodging at the motel.

Action: Mr Lynch be requested to follow up with MRWA to discuss the possibility of widening the current truck parking bay on Albany Highway.

5.2 SAFE ROAD USE

5.2.1 DRIVER REVIVER

The committee discussed the 2 March 2018 Driver Reviver and it was noted that the volume of traffic seemed to be travelling south on the Thursday afternoon and the Friday morning rather than during the time frame of the Driver Reviver event. It was suggested that an alternate time frame be implemented; however Mr Lynch advised that this would not be fiscally viable for the Shire and that Shire staff may not be available to undertake the duties they would normally perform for the event (see Attachment Two).

The meeting discussed the RBT held by the Cranbrook Police in conjunction with the event. While there were initial reservations about the RBT taking place it was agreed that the impact was more positive than negative with the Cranbrook Police Officers encouraging travellers to stop and take a break.

The committee agreed that a permanent fixture would simplify the process of the Driver Reviver however the challenge would be to encourage travellers to stop. It is hoped that the permanent site will be completed by June 2018.

5.2.2 BLESSING OF THE ROADS CAMPAIGN

Mr Barrett reported on the 2018 Blessing of the Roads event.

The event was held at the Recreation Centre on Thursday 29 March 2018 commencing at 11.00am. Approximately 80 people were invited with half the invitees attending.

5.3 SAFE ROADS & ROADSIDES

5.3.1 NEW ROADWISE SIGNS IN MOUNT BARKER

The meeting discussed the RoadWise signs provided by WALGA and recently installed at the entrances to the Mount Barker townsite.

Attachment Three presents eight slogans to be inserted into drop down tags on the RoadWise signs.

5.3.2 MUIR HIGHWAY INTERSECTION WITH NORTHERN ROUNDABOUT

It was agreed at the meeting to leave this item on the Agenda and wait for Mr Duffield to report back on options to improve advance notice to motorists approaching the northern roundabout on Albany Highway from Muir Highway.

5.4 SAFE VEHICLES

5.4.1 VEHICLE CHECKING STATION

It was agreed at the meeting to leave this item on the Agenda.

6 AGENCY REPORTS

6.1 ROADWISE

WALGA has still to appoint a replacement for Mrs Miller.

6.2 MAIN ROADS WA

Mr Duffield was not in attendance so no report from MRWA.

6.3 MOUNT BARKER POLICE

Sgt McRae was an apology so no report from the Mount Barker Police.

6.4 SHIRE OF PLANTAGENET

Mr Lynch advised that the Shire is currently investigating the costs associated with the manufacturing of the drop down signs to go on the RoadWise signs. The Committee was advised that Ms Powell had spoken to Jason's Signs and was advised that they would need a photograph of the back of the sign to design and estimate costs.

6.5 MOUNT BARKER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Mr Barrett reported on the MBCC's involvement in the 2018 annual Blessing of the Roads ceremony. Numbers were down at this event due

to year 11 and 12s (target audience) attendance at TAFE on this Thursday.

The Committee agreed that in 2019 the day should be changed to a Wednesday to ensure that as many as possible of the year 11 and 12s are present.

A suggestion was made to hold the Blessing of the Roads ceremony at the MBCC permanently. It was felt that this would have the biggest impact on those within the community that needed to hear a consistent road safety message.

Mr Barrett also reported that the year 11 and 12s held a mock up accident and injury exercise during the term which was very successful.

Mr Barrett also highlighted the possibility of the Cranbrook Roadwise Committee combining resources with the Plantagenet RoadWise Committee for future Driver Reviver events.

6.6 COMMUNITY MEMBER

Mrs Drage complimented the organisation of Blessing of the Roads and the Driver Reviver events.

7 NEXT MEETING

Thursday 21 June 2018 at 2.00pm

8 MEETING CLOSURE

At 2.57pm Cr Handasyde declared the meeting closed.

Presiding Member

Date

ATTACHMENT THREE