



ROADWISE STEERING COMMITTEE

MINUTES

The functions of the RoadWise Steering 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 Steering Committee
held in the Committee Room
2.00pm Thursday 27 March 2008

Rob Stewart
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Committee Members

Julie MacQueen - Main Roads WA, Alan Spicer - Mount Barker Police, Wes Beck - Mount Barker Community College, Andrea Smithson - RoadWise – Road Safety Officer, David Williss - Community member, Ian Bartlett - Manager Works and Services, Cr J Mark, Cr K Clements (Deputy) - Local Government Elected members and Len Handasyde - Mount Barker Community College P & C.

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Chairperson: Cr John Mark

Deputy Chairperson: N/A

Membership: Quorum (5)

Cr J Mark	Council Representative
Cr K Clements	(Deputy)
Mr I Bartlett	Manager Works and Services
Ms A Smithson	RoadWise Safety Officer
Ms Julie MacQueen	Main Roads WA
Sergeant Alan Spicer	Mount Barker Police
Mr W Beck	Mount Barker Community College
Mr D Williss	Community Representative
Mr L Handasyde	Mount Barker Community College Parents and Citizens <i>(subject to confirmation by the Council)</i>

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

2.04pm Mr Rob Stewart declared the meeting open.

Election of Chairperson

Mr Rob Stewart called for nominations for the position of Chairperson.

Cr John Mark nominated himself and was elected unopposed.

Cr John Mark assumed the Chair.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIESPresent

Cr John Mark	Chairperson
Ms Julie MacQueen	Main Roads WA
Sgt Alan Spicer	Mount Barker Police
Ms Andrea Smithson	RoadWise Safety Officer
Mr Ian Bartlett	Manager Works and Services
Mr David Williss	Community Member
Mr Wes Beck (from 2.30pm)	Mount Barker Community College

Apologies

Nil

Visitors

Mr Rob Stewart	Chief Executive Officer
Ms Megan Sounness	Administration Officer Works and Services
Cr Ken Clements	(Deputy) Council Representative
Mr Len Handasyde	Mount Barker Community College P&C

3 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (RELATING TO COMMITTEE BUSINESS)

Nil

5 PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil

6 DISCLOSURE OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Nil

7 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

GENERAL

7.1.1 ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

As noted under Declaration of Opening/Announcement of Visitors.

7.1.2 ELECTION OF DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON

It was agreed that election of a Deputy Chairperson was not required.

7.1.3 ADDRESS BY ROAD SAFETY OFFICER

Ms Andrea Smithson addressed the Committee by providing a report that introduced the RoadWise program and the 'Safe System' approach. Ms Smithson explained what RoadWise Committees can do and also provided some examples of activities that other Committees have been involved in. *See report attached.*

Ms Julie MacQueen commented that it is important that members of the Committee share jobs and do not leave everything up to the RoadWise Safety Officer.

Clarification was sought by Cr Clements in relation to Committee responsibilities.

The following items were raised:

- Placement of Speed Signs;
- Speed Signage – Mount Barker Hill Road;
- Overhanging Trees – Albany Highway (near Golf Club);
- Give Way Sign next to Railway;
- Pedestrian Crossings – Albany Highway and Woogenellup Road;
- SAM Trailer;
- Inappropriate Signage in Road Works;
- Suggestion for 40km/h signs on back of Fire Trucks (***Mr Wes Beck to bring a photo of the signs to the next meeting***); and
- Footpath on Albany Highway – Signs in the middle of the path.

Discussion was also held regarding the Road Traffic Device on Lowood Road. Mr Rob Stewart advised that this device does not meet the criteria to be classified as a pedestrian crossing. Mr Stewart noted that surveys had been carried out and information had been forwarded to Mr Matt Benson MLC who was going to raise the matter with Hon. Alannah MacTiernan MLA. Mr Stewart noted that Main Roads would prefer that the device was not made a crossing, however the Shire would prefer that it was.

Mr Rob Stewart to bring excerpts from the required Australian Standard to the next meeting.

Mr Rob Stewart noted that the Plantagenet News Editorial Committee is happy to receive a regular column from the RoadWise Steering Committee.

7.1.4 ADDRESS BY EACH MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE AS TO THEIR EXPERIENCE AND WHAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO GET OUT OF THE COMMITTEE

Sgt Alan Spicer explained that he is the Officer in Charge at the Mount Barker Police Station and that he is new to RoadWise.

Ms Andrea Smithson advised that she is involved in seven (7) other RoadWise Committees and that she is very excited at the commencement of this Committee.

Mr Ian Bartlett explained that he has, in the past, been on a RoadWise Committee and hopes that he can provide some support and ideas for this Committee.

Mr Len Handasyde noted that he is here to learn.

Mr David Williss advised that he sits on the Committee as a community member. Mr Williss noted that he was previously a Shire Councillor and has therefore had a bit to do with roads. He noted that he is therefore keen to see safety increased on our roads.

Ms Julie MacQueen advised that she is the Customer Service Manager at Main Roads. Ms MacQueen noted that she has worked with RoadWise for four (4) years. Ms MacQueen noted that the RoadWise Committee is a great way to be involved proactively in road safety. Ms MacQueen advised that she is also involved in other Road Safety Programs around the state.

Cr John Mark advised that he sits on the Committee as a representative for the Shire Council.

8 NEXT MEETING

2.00pm, Thursday 24 April 2008.

It was agreed that meetings would be held on a monthly basis for the first few months, at 2.00pm on the last Thursday of each month.

Ms Andrea Smithson to bring ideas to the next meeting regarding the direction of the Committee.

9 MEETING CLOSURE

Ms Julie MacQueen noted that the opening of the Mount Barker Northern Bypass was tentatively scheduled for 12 April 2008.

2.56pm The Presiding Member declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED: CHAIRPERSON _____ DATE: ____/____/____
