



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.*

Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Steering Committee held in the
Council Chambers, Lowood Road, Mount Barker WA 6324,
2.00pm Thursday 28 August 2008.

Rob Stewart
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Committee Members

Julie MacQueen - Main Roads WA, Allan Spicer - Mount Barker Police, Wes Beck - Mount Barker Community College, Andrea Smithson - RoadWise 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 J 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 Officer
Ms J MacQueen	Main Roads WA
Sgt A 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

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

2.00pm, Cr Mark declared the meeting open.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIESPresent

Ms Andrea Smithson	RoadWise Officer
Mr Ian Bartlett	Manager Works and Services
Cr John Mark	Chairperson
Mr Len Handasyde	Mount Barker Community College P & C
Mr David Williss	Community Member

Apologies

Sgt Allan Spicer	Mount Barker Police
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Guests

Cr Ken Clements	(Deputy) Council Representative
Mr David Atkinson	Main Roads WA
Ms Megan Sounness	Administration Officer Works & Services

Cr Mark welcomed Mr Atkinson to the meeting in Ms MacQueen's absence.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: Mr D Williss, seconded: Ms A Smithson

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the RoadWise Steering Committee, held Thursday 31 July 2008, be confirmed.

CARRIED

4 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**4.1 SAFE SPEEDS****4.1.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

(a) Speed Zoning – Woogenellup Road

Mr Bartlett advised that this was complete, however that he required further clarification from the Committee regarding what the request to Main Roads would be for each of the roads being investigated.

The following requests were agreed to be forwarded to Main Roads:

(i) Mount Barker Road

Implement a 60km/h zone from town to Marmion Street South. Implement an 80km/h zone from Marmion Street South to Tower Road (but preferably 60km/h).

(ii) Mitchell Street

Implement an 80km/h zone from the South side of St Werburghs Road to the South side of the Cemetery. Implement a 60km/h zone from the South side of the

Cemetery to the existing 50km/h zone. Implement an 80km/h zone from 1km up St Werburghs Road (off Mitchell Street).

(iii) O'Neill Road

Implement a 90km/h zone from the Highway to the turnoff to the Mount Barker Landfill Site. Implement an extension to the current 90km/h zone on Albany Highway, south of Mount Barker to Tower Hill Wines.

(iv) Woogenellup Road

Implement an extension to the current 80km/h zone on Woogenellup Road, east of the railway crossing.

It was agreed that the Traffic Counts provided for Mount Barker Porongurup Road did not support a request for a reduction in the speed zone through the Porongurup Village. It was however noted that additional Police presence on this road is required.

(b) SAM Trailer – Servicing and Calibrating

Mr Bartlett noted that he has checked the Speed Trailer against his GPS. Mr Bartlett has not yet had a chance to meet with Sgt Spicer regarding this matter.

Action: Sgt Spicer to arrange a speedometer check for the public.

This item to be discussed at the next meeting as Sgt Spicer was not present.

(c) Porongurup Village – Speed Limit

This item was discussed earlier in the meeting.

(d) School Zone – Woogenellup Road

Mr Williss thanked Main Roads for the Give Way sign and improvements to the pavement that was completed on Carbarup Road. Mr Williss also thanked Main Roads for standing up the 80km/h sign on Woogenellup Road that had fallen over.

Action: Ms MacQueen to liaise with the school regarding sending information out to parents regarding the 40km/h zone.

This action to be discussed at the next meeting as Ms MacQueen was not present.

Action: Ms MacQueen to place an article in the Plantagenet News regarding the 40km/h zone.

This item to be discussed at the next meeting as Ms MacQueen was not present.

4.1.2 SAM UPDATE

Mr Bartlett advised that the trailer spent two (2) weeks on Woogenellup Road at the new 40km/h school zone. Mr Bartlett noted that it is now on Albany Highway in town near the Arts Centre. The trailer will be left there for one week facing one way and then moved to face the other way for a week.

4.1.3 NEW BUSINESS

Nil.

4.2 SAFE ROAD USERS

4.2.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

(a) Speed Signage at Emergency Situations

Action: Cr Clements to provide information from the Local Emergency Management Committee to Ms Sounness to attach with the minutes.

(b) Seatbelt Legislation Amendments and (c) Child Car Restraint Legislation Amendments

Action: Ms Sounness to prepare a draft letter to the Local Member of Parliament, supporting the suggested amendments to the Seatbelt and Child Car Restraint Legislation and bring to the next meeting for discussion.

4.2.2 NEW BUSINESS

(a) Speeding

Action: Mr Bartlett to liaise with Mount Barker Police to share traffic count information for Mount Barker Porongurup Road, Mitchell Street, Mount Barker Road and O'Neill Road and request increased Police presence on these roads.

Action: Ms Sounness to send a letter to the Police re-enforcing this matter and requesting increased liaison and information sharing between the Shire and Police.

Action: Mr Bartlett to install traffic counters on Langton Road (old Muirs Highway section).

4.3 SAFE VEHICLES

4.3.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil.

4.3.2 NEW BUSINESS

Nil.

4.4 SAFE ROADS & ROADSIDES

4.4.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

(a) Raised Traffic Device – Lowood Road

Ms Smithson advised that Mr Stewart has written an article for the Plantagenet News.

Discussion was held regarding a possible decision by Hon. Alannah MacTiernan MLA to allow the device to be classified as a pedestrian crossing for a trial period of 12 months. It was agreed that the lack of decision and action is causing increasing confusion amongst the public.

Moved: Mr D Williss, seconded: Mr L Handasyde

That the matter of the Raised Traffic Device on Lowood Road be forwarded to the Council to follow through and obtain a final answer on its classification.

CARRIED

(b) Community College Car Park

Ms Smithson advised that Mr Stewart has forwarded a letter to the College regarding this matter.

It was agreed that the Committee would take a step back from this item now, however that an update at the next meeting would be useful.

Action: Ms Sounness to include this item on the Agenda for the next meeting.

Action: Mr Handasyde to provide the Committee with an update regarding the car park at the next meeting.

(c) List of Road Shortfalls

This item discussed earlier in the meeting.

Action: Mr Bartlett to forward the Committee's requests and background information to Ms MacQueen by 5 September 2008.

4.4.2 UPDATE – MANAGER WORKS & SERVICES

Mr Bartlett advised that Construction is due to start again next week. Staff have been completing maintenance grading and removing Sydney Wattle from road sides.

4.4.3 NEW BUSINESS

(a) Muirs Highway

Mr Handasyde advised that there seems to be some serious surfacing issues on Muirs Highway currently.

Action: Mr Atkinson to forward a note to Main Roads Contractors regarding a large pothole on Muirs Highway on the Rocky Gully town side of Whitworth Road.

Action: Mr Atkinson to forward a note to Main Roads Contractors regarding inconsistency of white lines painted on the edge of Muirs Highway.

5 OTHER BUSINESS

(a) Recommendations for New State Road Safety Strategy 2008 – 2009

Ms Smithson provided a summary of this document (to be attached to the minutes).

Action: Ms MacQueen to provide a copy of Main Road's 5 year Construction Program to the Committee at the next meeting.

Action: Ms Smithson to follow up regarding a study possibly completed by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure relating to the use of Railway over Roads.

6 NEXT MEETING

Thursday 25 September 2008, 2.00pm

7 MEETING CLOSURE

3.29pm The Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

CONFIRMED: CHAIRPERSON _____ DATE __/__/__