

**MINUTES OF THE
SELWYN DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE
HELD IN EXECUTIVE MEETING ROOM ONE
AT THE SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS ROLLESTON
ON WEDNESDAY 17 OCTOBER 2018
COMMENCED AT 10.00 AM**

COMMITTEE

Councillor N Reid (Chairperson), Councillor R Mugford, Mr A Crofts (NZ Transport Agency), Ms R Dinmore (NZ Trucking Association), Ms C Simpson (Councillor AA Canterbury / West Coast), Senior Sergeant K Larsen (Canterbury Road Policing) .

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr P Daly (SDC Road Safety Co-ordinator), Mrs S Haulter (SDC School Road Safety Co-ordinator), Mr M Washington (SDC Asset Manager), Mr M Chamberlain (SDC Asset Engineer, Transportation), Councillor M Alexander, Mrs J Gallagher (Malvern Community Board Chair), and Mrs J Harkerss (Secretary).

The Chair welcomed Rebecca Dinmore, Kelly Larsen and Andrew Crofts to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.

1. APOLOGIES

Ms J Harris (ACC), Mr D Boyce (NZ Trucking Assn) and Mr D Scarlet (NZTA).

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Selwyn District Road Safety Subcommittee held in the Selwyn District Council Headquarters, Rolleston on Wednesday 20 June 2018

Moved – Ms C Simpson **/Seconded** – Cr R Mugford
‘That the minutes of the ordinary Meeting of the Selwyn District Road Safety Subcommittee held on Wednesday 20 June 2018 be taken as read.’

CARRIED

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF 20 June 2018

Billboards

Mr Daly reported that there are seven billboards in total that all need replacing due to deterioration because of their age. With the continuing population growth the placement of the billboards will be reviewed as the current locations may not now cover the majority of the population.

A regional committee has been established to research the best way to distribute the road safety message around wider Canterbury. They will be operating a survey to collect data from the Darfield area. Once this is complete it should give a better indication as to whether billboards are a good form of advertising.

4. CHAIRS REPORT

Cr Reid spoke to her report requesting input from the partner agencies to engage in a discussion on the role and responsibilities that should be bestowed on the Committee.

5. TERMS OF REFERENCE REVIEW

Moved – Cr R Mugford **/Seconded** – Ms C Simpson

‘That the Road Safety Sub-Committee recommends to Council that they approve the Terms of Reference as distributed.’

CARRIED

6. PARTNER REPORTS

NZ Trucking Assn

Apologies for non-attendance by David Boyce as he is in Melbourne attending a Road Safety Conference where the association was presented with a Road Safety in the Community Award for their Safety Man Truck.

The Safety Man Truck has had 16,000 people pass through it this year. Attended the Age Concern Expo where there were 900 participants. Will be focusing on schools to spread the safety message.

Representation on this committee helps the NZ Trucking Association understand local issues and are able to support the district.

The biggest issue at present for the association is faulty towing connections.

NZ Police

While only being in Selwyn for two months of particular note is the horrendous attitude of Selwyn people in respect to drink driving particularly the 50+ age bracket. While there has been a pleasing generational change there needs to be more education to the 50+ age bracket. Need to encourage good behaviour and change people's attitude on what is socially acceptable as has been done with smoking.

Intersections are a challenge with road users not showing enough attention.

Stop signs were discussed with a question raised about where to stop. The rule is that you must stop where you can see clearly. If you have stopped behind another vehicle and have been able to see clearly then you do not need to stop a second time. Best practice is to stop at the limit line at all times.

NZTA

Working with ACC and motorcycles. Focusing on identified sites along SH6 – West Coast. Working on perception and the corridor that motorcycle riders travel on.

Continuing work on the Safe Roads and Roadsides programme. Investigating the use of wire ropes along Rakaia to Ashburton highway and North of Christchurch. Trucking community need to be considered if this option is going to be used.

Looking at closing off access to SH1 taking into consideration how right hand turns can be made. Trying to reduce the severity of crashes.

Summer Journeys information going out next week.

The installation of railings at the Rakaia Gorge approach has been identified as a project but is not included in current funding.

Waimakariri Gorge Road / State Highway 73 – NZTA has determined that a Give Way is appropriate. A suggestion from the township committee is that sunstrike may be an issue with some of the crashes.

AA

Clare spoke to her report confirming AA is in full support of the Road Safety Committee. Continue to follow correct rules and procedures when making decisions, being mindful of problems being experienced by Christchurch City Council recently.

7. CRASH DATA

NZTA seeks suppliers to report on serious/fatal crashes. Near hits are difficult to monitor.

Police attend crashes and send data to NZTA. Demand is such that Police do not attend all crashes. The ones they attend is based on the severity. If they do not attend there is no report completed.

NZTA upload the data to the CAS (Crash Analysis System) database. There is often a 10 week lag until it shows up or longer. NZTA use this data when investigating a particular corridor. They do not actively investigate every crash.

Police will notify Council when there is an easy fix for why a crash may have occurred for immediate repair. Police data comes from CAS.

If there has been a fatal crash Council will receive a Coroner's Report.

Police are trying to be more responsive than previously and will contact Council immediately when there has been a crash. Of the serious crashes that they attend a one page crash report is completed so they will investigate if they are able to share this report with the Road Safety Committee.

AA statistics come from their National Office and are sourced from NZTA. AA has a research unit based in Massey with findings available on the AA website. Hard to

report data as not all crashes are reported. AA focuses on education, awareness and behaviours.

NZ Trucking Assn is focused on preventing crashes by using their Safety Man Truck to show road safety.

8. SPEED LIMIT REVIEW AND BYLAW

The Speed Limit Bylaw is the authority to change the speed limits therefore needs to be approved by Council before the Speed Limit Review can be consulted on. The speed limits will become the Register to attach to the Bylaw.

It is proposed that the Bylaw and Speed Limit Review will go out for consultation in the New Year after Council approval in November. A final report will be submitted to Council for approval in March.

The Speed Limit reviews have been initiated due to the growth of the district. Urban 50 km/hr limits have been extended and a review has been undertaken on the 70 km/hr limits.

Permanent 40 km/hr limit is being proposed outside urban schools with a variable 40 km/hr sign outside rural schools that are currently 80 km/hr.

Discussion Points:

- There is a need for a national discussion regarding speed limits. We need to carry our communities with us when making decisions.
- Need to continue discussion about speeds on rural unsealed roads.
- People need to drive to the conditions – the speed limit is not a target!

It was noted that West Melton residents would like to see a speed limit of 60 km/hr on the State Highway due to NZTA not making any changes to the intersection. This would not meet the Speed Management Guidelines as the length of the limit area is not long enough. An issue with West Melton is that you visually do not know that it is there until you arrive at it.

The West Melton residents would like a better explanation as to why the intersection is not being funded for an upgrade. NZTA reported that higher traffic volumes and fatalities are prioritised for funding nationally. A list of these projects is on the NZTA website.

Moved – Cr N Reid /Seconded – Mr A Crofts

‘That the Speed Limit Bylaw and Speed Limit Review reports be recommended to Council for approval.’

CARRIED

9. ROAD SAFETY CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

The Road Safety Co-ordinator and School Road Safety Co-ordinator presented their report on the programmed campaigns and activities for the period August to September and gave an overview of the campaigns.

Had a display at the Ellesmere A & P Show, with Selwyn Motor Fest coming up.

Moved – Cr N Reid / **Seconded** – Ms C Simpson

‘That the Selwyn District Road Safety Sub-Committee receives the Road Safety Coordinators Report for information.’

CARRIED

10. ACTIVE STOP AHEAD WARNING SIGN TRIAL

The trial has been extended for a further two year period with the inclusion of seven new sites throughout the country, three of these sites are in Selwyn and have been chosen by NZTA:

- Curraghs at the intersection of Newtons
- Ellesmere Junction at the intersection of Goulds
- Trices at the intersection of Longstaffs

These signs are being funded by AML (sign) and Council (sockets). If results show that the signs are effective NZTA will approve them and Council can decide where they are to be installed. Permission is needed from Orion to install the sign near power lines as is the case with the Ellesmere Junction/Goulds Road sign.

Vehicle speeds are monitored 25m from the Stop limit line. These speeds will indicate whether the driver is able to stop or has clearly missed the intersection.

There have been no crashes at the current sites since the signs have been installed.

Moved – Cr N Reid / **Seconded** – Cr R Mugford

‘That the Selwyn District Road Safety Sub-Committee receives the Stop Ahead Advanced Warning Signs Report for information.’

CARRIED

11. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING BROADLANDS DRIVE

Broadlands Drive has become a high traffic/pedestrian area due to the connection between the Aquatic Centre and Foster Park. An operational safety audit has been carried out to determine options that can be carried out to make the crossing point safer.

The crossing needs to be a formal crossing, whether it be a zebra crossing or signalised.

Moved – Cr R Mugford / **Seconded** – Ms K Larsen

‘That the Selwyn District Road Safety Sub-Committee supports more investigation to formalise the crossing.’

CARRIED

12. ROAD SAFETY ACTION PLAN

A marked up copy of the Road Safety Action Plan was discussed by the committee and minor changes made.

Moved – Cr N Reid / **Seconded** – Cr R Mugford

‘That the Selwyn District Road Safety Sub-Committee approve the Road Safety Action Plan with the agreed changes and any other minor consequential changes.’

CARRIED

13. REGIONAL ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP MINUTES (RRSWG)

Not discussed.

Meeting closed 1:06pm

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 12 December 2018

Chairperson

Date

Actions Required	By Who	When
NZTA Projects Funded Nationally	NZTA	Wednesday 12 Dec