

**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE  
SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL ROAD SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE  
HELD IN THE WEEDONS RESERVE PAVILLION  
685 MADDISONS ROAD  
ON THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2019 COMMENCING AT 9.30AM**

**PRESENT**

Councillors N C Reid (Chairperson) and R H Mugford, Mr G Lack (FENZ), Mr D Boyce (New Zealand Trucking Association), Sergeant R Pabst (NZ Police)

**ATTENDEES**

Mayor S Broughton, Councillors M Alexander and M Lemon, Mr P Daly (Road Safety Co-ordinator), Mrs S Hautler (School Road Safety Co-ordinator), Mr M Chamberlain (Roading Engineer), Mrs J Gallagher (Chair Malvern Community Board), & Mrs J Harkerss (Administrator - Roading)

The Chair commenced the meeting by introducing Janet Luxton, NZTA Community Engagement Manager – Safe Roads.

**1. APOLOGIES**

Mr Scott (AA), Detective Senior Sergeant G Cottam. Sergeant M Noonan, A Mazey and M Washington.

**Moved** Councillor Reid / **Seconded** Councillor Mugford

*‘That apologies for absence be received.’*

**CARRIED**

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**2. Minutes of the Meeting of the Road Safety Subcommittee held at Selwyn District Council, on Thursday 25 July 2019**

Taken as read and accepted.

**Moved** Councillor Reid / **Seconded** David Boyce

*‘That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Selwyn District Council Road Safety Subcommittee held on Thursday 25 July 2019 with an amendment to the date to **Thursday** 25 July 2019 be confirmed.’*

**CARRIED**

### **3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

#### *Windwhistle School*

Councillor Reid said that Windwhistle School was visited. The Police were unable to attend but have indicated that they are happy to visit the school. Cr Reid added that she was unable to attend but Mayor Broughton and Cr Mugford did so they will give an update about the visit.

Councillor Mugford said the biggest problem was that the school is within a 100k speed limit and trees around the perimeter of the school making it difficult for vehicle users to see that they are approaching a school. There are also flaxes covering the signs.

The school children have asked a local farmer for help to clean up the frontage. The school bus pick-up drop-off is within the school grounds.

Mayor Broughton said the school children have shown an interest in attending a meeting so this needs to be followed up on. As the school is on a state highway it is controlled by NZTA.

#### *Darfield Bill Board*

P Daley reported that the Road Safety bill board which was considered to be a safety hazard has been moved to Telegraph Road. There is a second sign on this site which is owned by FENZ. G Lack said they are aware of this and will follow up on it.

#### *Crash Data*

P Daly has undergone crash data training and has arranged further training with NZTA.

#### *Road Safety Strategy*

Road Safety Strategy Submissions have closed

#### *Cell Phone Use*

Police were asked what happens when a member of the public reports seeing motorists using cell phones to the Police. The response from the Police is that a letter would be sent. Police advised that it is hard to enforce as they need the car registration number and know the name of the person using the phone. The initiator would then have to appear in court.

### **4. PUBLIC FORUM**

#### *Level Crossing Programme Works*

Janet Luxton NZTA Safe Roads Community Engagement Manager attended the meeting to answer any questions around a report that she had circulated regarding the Level Crossing Programme works within the Selwyn District.

In summary:

- Frasers Road will remain open and be fully upgraded with bells etc, barrier arms and active signage

- Boundary Creek Road will be similarly upgraded
- Sheats Road will be closed
- SH1 Selwyn Crossing will be upgraded – signage etc
- Hoskyns Road Crossing will be upgraded with new pedestrian barrier arm facilities

Timed to be programmed the first quarter of next year. This is reliant on Kiwi Rail. When dates are known these will be distributed.

#### *West Melton Speed Restriction*

West Melton speed restriction dropping to 60 was discussed. Engagement has finished, there will now be a one month formal consultation process which will hopefully be finished by Christmas. There will then be a decision making and gazetting period after that.

It was requested that the western speed limit signs be moved further west away from Iris Taylor Drive.

Positioning of speed limit thresholds needs addressing. This is difficult to change due to the feel of the surroundings considering the subdivision is blocked by bunds etc.

A suggestion was made to ask highway patrol for help when the change happens.

#### *Rakaia to Ashburton Safety Project*

Janet noted that the Rakaia to Ashburton State Highway safety project is sitting as a business case for funding. These projects are never shelved and can be left until funding is found or split as separate items.

## **5. CORRESPONDENCE**

#### *West Rolleston Primary School concerns regarding speed limits around their school*

Councils Roading Engineer noted that this school is an urban school on the fringe of a township. An approach sign has been installed warning motorists that there is a 50kph speed area ahead. Unfortunately the nature of the land surrounding the school dictates the speed limit required. There is a Regional Speed Strategy being assessed of which we will be aligning with. Consistency needs to be followed with all schools. Cr Reid to respond.

#### *Grant Prescott presentation to Council Meeting regarding unsealed roads*

Grant Prescott's presentation to the Council meeting was discussed concerning maintenance of unsealed section of Wards Road and he is concerned it was a road safety issue. Better maintenance of unsealed roads will be looked at as part of the Long Term Plan. A report will be presented to the next Council meeting on costs etc.

**Moved** Councillor Reid / **Seconded** Councillor Mugford

*'That the correspondence be taken as read.'*

**CARRIED**

## **6. TERMS OF REFERENCE**

The Chair spoke about the need to include a representative from FENZ onto the list of committee members on the Terms of Reference. The terms of Reference will need to be officially approved by Council since the committee is a subcommittee of Council. The incoming Council will also need to approve the Terms of Reference for the committee going forward into the next Council term.

**Moved – Mr D Boyce / Seconded – Councillor Mugford**

*‘That FENZ be offered a seat on the Road Safety Committee.’*

**CARRIED**

## **7. REPORTS**

### **7.1 Partners Reports**

*New Zealand Trucking Association*

Mr Boyce provided an update. Have been busy with the Road Safety Truck and the Trucking Show. FENZ asked to be included in any upcoming programmes.

*New Zealand Police (Police)*

Focussing on RIDS (Restraints / Impairment / Distraction / Speed) and compliance so reducing the need to issue a ticket.

*Fire and Emergency New Zealand (FENZ)*

Mr Lack provided an update. FENZ have attended 15 major crashes, 2 extractions and 1 fatal over the last two months. These crashes are attended to by volunteers in the trucks. Getting involved in educational roles. Hoping to get into motor cycle awareness.

**Moved Councillor Reid / Seconded Mr D Boyce**

*‘That the Selwyn District Council Road Safety Subcommittee receives the partners reports as presented.’*

**CARRIED**

### **7.2 Selwyn District Council Road Safety Co-ordinators** *Road Safety Co-ordinators’ Report (Campaigns)*

The Road Safety Co-ordinator, Mr Daly spoke to the key highlights in his report including Spring motorcycle crash risk, Age Concern courses, Shiny Side Up and Leading Learners courses. He has taken responsibility for the rotation of the speed indication devices.

The Schools Road Safety Co-ordinator, Mrs Hautler, noted that she has been working with Sheffield School on an upgrade to their car park, Lincoln Primary

School, Selwyn Motor Fest, cell phone use by young drivers and raising awareness of the NZTA Drivers App. Working internally with other Council departments for a coordinated approach so that each individual department is not hammering the schools. Working with Rolleston College on their travel plan in conjunction with parking.

Councillor Lemon thanked Steph on behalf of Ellesmere College for the work she had done regarding the bus park.

**Moved** Councillor Reid / **Seconded** Mr G Lack

*'That the Selwyn District Council Road Safety Subcommittee receives the Road Safety Co-ordinators' report for information.'*

**CARRIED**

*The meeting took a break at 11am and reconvened at 11:30am*

*Mayor Broughton, Mr D Boyce, Councilor Lemon and Janet Luxton left the meeting.*

## **8. ROAD SAFETY STRATEGY SUBMISSION**

The Road Safety Strategy submission that was submitted to NZTA last month was distributed and discussed.

**Moved** Councillor Reid / **Seconded** Councillor Mugford

*'That the Selwyn District Road Safety Committee receives the Road Safety Strategy submission for information.'*

**CARRIED**

## **9. ACTION LIST**

### *Pedestrian Crossings*

The Broadlands Drive crossing point was discussed. The Indoor Courts facility will have an effect on what type of crossing is required. Will probably need a signalised crossing.

All crossings need to be reviewed possibly by a consultant. Consideration will need to be taken due to changes to traffic volumes due to traffic signals, motorway etc. Schools are generally trying very hard to get the message out to pupils and parents regarding children around schools particularly at the start and end of the school day.

### *Bus Signage*

Councillor Reid stated her concerns from observations outside Rolleston School that it appeared that a few vehicles are slowing down to 20 km/hr when driving past school buses. Therefore suggested the committee should take further action towards progressing the bus signs. The need to have consistency across the district was discussed so suggested that Andrew Mazey address the concerns to the Regional Road Safety Working Group.

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**Moved** Councillor Reid / **Seconded** Councillor Mugford

*'That the Selwyn Road Safety Committee asks A Mazey to discuss at the next Regional Road Safety Committee the importance that consistent signage be used on buses to encourage the use of the correct speed limit'.*

**CARRIED**

## 10. GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no general business raised at the meeting.

*The meeting closed at 12.12pm*

*In accordance with Standing Order clause 27.4 we confirm the correctness of the minutes of the last Council meeting prior to the next election of members.*

DATED this 9 day of October 2019

CHIEF EXECUTIVE



CHAIRPERSON

