

**MINUTES OF THE  
SELWYN DISTRICT ROAD SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE  
HELD IN MEETING ROOM 1  
AT THE SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS ROLLESTON  
ON THURSDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2016  
COMMENCED AT 9.30 AM**

**1. COMMITTEE**

Councillors P Hill (Chairperson) and S Walters, Senior Sergeant P Stills (NZ Police) (10:07am), Ms C McGeady (NZ Trucking Association) and Mayor K Coe.

**2. IN ATTENDANCE**

Ms C Simpson (AA), Mr M Washington (SDC Asset Manager) (left 10.55), Mr A Mazey (SDC Transportation Manager), Mr M Chamberlain (SDC Rooding Engineer), Cr M Alexander, Mrs J Harkerss (Secretary), Mrs S Montford and Mrs N Reid (Rolleston Residents Association), Ms R Skelton (Rolleston College), Mrs A Foster, Mr J McKim.

**3. APOLOGIES**

Mr D Boyce (NZ Trucking Association), Senior Constable P McKenzie (NZ Police) and Senior Sergeant P Stills for lateness.

The Chair introduced Clare Simpson from the Automobile Association to the meeting. Clare is keen to re-engage with the committee. She is a member of "Spoke" (a cycling advocacy group) and is working closely with CCC on separate cycling infrastructure. Clare is an AA District Councillor and has a strong interest in driver education.

**4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Moved: Cr S Walters / Seconded Mayor K Coe**

*"That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Selwyn District Road Safety Subcommittee held on 20 August 2015 be confirmed."*

CARRIED

**Moved Mayor K Coe / Seconded Cr S Walters**

*"That the notes of the meeting of the Selwyn District Road Safety Subcommittee held on 19 November 2015 be received for information."*

CARRIED

## **5. CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil

## **6. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES 20 AUGUST**

8.7 Councils Asset Manager reported that he had applied for a \*5 position starting from 1 July to assist in the road safety role with the focus on liaising with schools.

8.27 Councils Transportation Manager reported that information had been passed to MP Amy Adams as requested by her office in terms of a stand-off regarding infrastructure for West Rolleston School. Council is still trying to work through these concerns with the Ministry of Education.

## **7. MATTERS ARISING FROM NOTES 19 NOVEMBER 2015**

7.2 Trial of “Active Signs” – These are a “Stop Ahead” warning sign that will be installed 200m from the intersection. Every vehicle approaching the intersection will trigger the sign. The trial has been delayed until April due to changes to the signs. A media release is due for publication soon.

Mr McKim noted that he feels that the speed advisory flashing signs on the State Highway at Burnham are too close to the intersection, affecting reaction times.

## **8. PUBLIC FORUM**

8.1 Rolleston College – Ms Skelton spoke of the concerns the college has for the safety of the pupils negotiating the round-a-bout at Springston Rolleston Road / Goulds Road/ Lowes Road and Tennyson Street when the school opens next year.

8.2 Mrs Foster reported that she had been told that Council do not take statistics on crashes or near misses. She was told to contact the Police and found that they only record injury crashes. Mrs Foster also noted that she would like Goulds Road at the roundabout closed when the Broadlands Drive extension is completed.

8.3 Mrs N Reid reported that cyclists do not use the roundabout due to safety concerns. Having been nearly hit herself she is also worried about children trying to negotiate their way around it.

## **9. MEMBERS REPORT TO THE ROAD SAFETY ACTION PLAN**

The Road Safety Co-ordinators report was taken as read.

## 10. COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPORTS

### Moved Cr S Walters / Seconded Mayor Coe

*"That the member's reports be received."*

CARRIED

## 11. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 11.1 **Intersections** – Concern expressed at the number of crashes at the Weedons Ross Road / Main South Road intersection. It was noted that there is a long standing history of crashes at this intersection and that the increased traffic due to the Jones Road temporary road closure, is contributing to pressure at the intersection.

After a lengthy discussion it was decided to request the assistance of the Councils Communications Advisor to issue a media release suggesting road users avoid the intersection and follow the suggested detour.

Councils Transportation Manager reported that the ultimate solution to the danger at this intersection is not far away. NZTA have reported that stage 2 of the Southern Motorway extension is due to go out to tender later this month and will be awarded in August if all goes to plan. Due to the problems at the intersection Mr Mazey has requested that this phase of the extension be addressed early on in the project. NZTA have advised that they will endeavour to accommodate this. Mr Mazey noted that there will be significant disruptions to road users when CSM2 starts.

- 11.2 **Goulds Road Roundabout** – The committee supported a move to close off Goulds Road at the roundabout when the extension to Broadlands Drive was finished. Any earlier closure would not be possible as consultation and plans had to be followed first.

The Transportation Manager advised that traffic signals were planned for the intersection in 2019/2020. He also noted that there are several projects scheduled which all need to be prioritised. Interestingly, Traffic Assessment reports submitted by the MOE when planning the new College did not indicate that there would be any problems so the MOE did not request any changes at the intersection.

- 11.3 **Crash Data** - A discussion was had regarding sourcing data from insurance companies and ACC as this may give a better indication on crashes rather than Police data which is only injury related. It was noted that while this information might be useful, NZTA would not use it when making any assessments. It was also mentioned that Councils Service Request system could be set up to record crash data but this would only be as good as the information being fed into it.

- 11.4 **Cyclists Riding Two Abreast** – Mr J McKim spoke on behalf of the Weedons Residence Association seeking support from the Road Safety Committee for a proposal to change the law so that cyclists can only ride

in single file. Mr McKim believes that cyclists travelling two abreast create a hazard which would be reduced if the law was changed to single file. As a resident of Maddisons Road Mr McKim has noticed an increased heavy load of traffic and this combined with the narrow roads in the rural areas believes that changing the law would be beneficial to both cyclists and other road users.

The Police reported that the most problematic areas with cyclists was Tai Tapu, Gebbies Pass and Long Bays. Broken road shoulders tended to be an issue for them.

NZ Trucking Association reported that they are continually working with cyclists on sharing the road.

After a long discussion and consultation with various online data sources the committee decided not to support Mr McKims request. It was decided that education would be a better approach. Mr McKim expressed his thanks to the committee for discussing the issue of cyclists on our rural roads.

A recommendation was made to write to NZTA asking them for their input into dealing with cyclists using our rural roads, be it funding and/or education.

Meeting closed 11.15am

#### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Thursday 19 May 2016  
Thursday 18 August 2016  
Thursday 17 November 2016

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Chairperson

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Date