

# *HINCHINBROOK ROAD SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE*

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## MINUTES OF HINCHINBROOK ROAD SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON 1 JUNE 2016

Meeting Opened: 10.30am on Wednesday, 1 June 2016.

### **1. ATTENDANCE**

Present were: Mayor Ramon Jayo (Hinchinbrook Shire Council – HRSAC Chairperson), Mr Rick Quabba (Queensland Mechanical Cane Harvesting Association – QMCHA), Ms Kirrily Low (Hinchinbrook Shire Council – HRSAC Secretary); Mr James Stewart (Executive Manager Engineering Services – EMES), Ms Alison Barlow (Department of Transport and Main Roads – DTMR), Mr Geoff Boremann (Queensland Police Services – QPS), Mr Donald Oswin (Wilmar Sugar Australia Limited), Mr Robert Lyon (NQBE), Mr Frank Martino (Transnorth Bus Services), Mr Kevin Riseley (Department of Transport and Main Roads – DTMR), Mr Paul Marbelli (Canegrowers), Mr John Tantalo (Queensland Police Services – QPS) and Mr Rick Butler (Stone River Bus Service).

### **APOLOGIES**

An apology for non-attendance was received from: Mr Robert Giuliano (Engineering Compliance and Technical Officer - ECTO), Mr Lenny Toscano (Australia Post), Mr Jeff Aitchison - (Hinchinbrook Traffic Control - HTC), Mr Stephen Marbelli (Canegrowers), Mrs Denise Elrick (Department of Transport and Main Roads – DTMR) and Mr Rodger Bow (State Emergency Services – SES).

### **2. CONFIRM MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING OF 4 MAY 2016**

Meeting held on 4 May 2016, be approved as a correct record of proceedings.

Moved by: Mr Robert Lyon

Seconded by: Mr James Stewart

### **3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES – 4 MAY 2016**

#### **3.1 *Mr Rick Quabba raised concerns with regards to the intersection of Gangemi's Road onto Hawkins Creek Road and is requesting extra line marking at the intersection.***

*Robert Giuliano (ECTO) to discuss matter with Dr Jenna Devietti (Works Engineer) and Design to scope possible fix with line marking.*

*To be carried.*

*Mr Robert Giuliano discussed the matter with Council's Designer where it was noted that the original line marking was removed and needs to be put back.*

*Mr Robert Giuliano to forward plan supplied by Council's Designer to Council's Works Engineer for action.*

*Ongoing.*

*Mr Robert Giuliano advised that he has discussed the concern with Council's Designer with line marking to be scheduled. Item to be removed once line marking works have been completed.*

*Mr Robert Giuliano to follow up.*

*Mr Robert Giuliano advised that linemarking has been scheduled to be completed. Item to be removed once the works have been carried out and completed.*

**ACTION:** *To be carried.*

#### **3.2 Ms Alison Barlow asked if a speed review of Herbert Street is to be placed on the agenda for Transport and Main Roads to carry out.**

*Dr Jenna Devietti advised that it may be reviewed as part of the Ingham CBD Revitalisation project.*

*Ms Denise Elrick to raise this with Nicole Smart.*

Ongoing.

Ms Denise Elrick advised that the speed review of Herbert Street will be carried out once resources become available.

To be carried.

Ms Denise Elrick advised that traffic counters have been put in place. Ms Denise Elrick to provide results once data has been received.

**ACTION:** *To be carried.*

- 3.3 Mr Stephen Marbelli enquired if there had been any further news on the Class 1 Agricultural Vehicle (Zone 1) trial to extend current width limits.**

Mr James Stewart advised that he hasn't heard anything further after last speaking with Peter Sheedy of Canegrowers.

Mr James Stewart advised that a local representative from National Heavy Vehicle Regulator is planning to come up to the Hinchinbrook Shire to discuss the matter with Canegrowers.

Mr James Stewart advised that a local representative from National Heavy Vehicle Regulator is still yet to come up to the Hinchinbrook Shire with the date yet to be advised.

To be carried.

Mr James Stewart advised that no dates have been announced for when a NHVR representative will be coming up to the Hinchinbrook Shire.

Mr Stephen Marbelli advised that there will be a NHVR representative coming up next week for a flagging demo. Mr Stephen Marbelli to report back at the next HRSAC meeting outcome from the demo.

**ACTION:** *Mr Paul Marbelli advised that the feedback received was positive however they are having issues with Queensland Police and also issues with getting the zones changed. Continue to monitor.*

- 3.4 Mr Stephen Marbelli raised concerns regarding trees obstructing the view of haulouts coming out of Morellis Siding onto Abergowrie Road near the Lannercost Substation, and requests that the trees be trimmed back.**

Ms Denise Elrick to inspect site and provide feedback at next meeting.

Ms Denise Elrick advised that the responsible authority of the siding, being Wilmar Sugar Australia Ltd, will need to organise the removal of the trees however suggested that the haulouts use an alternative exit route which is available.

Don Oswin to take information back to Wilmar for further discussion.

Mr Don Oswin advised that he investigated the concern and noted that the trees are not within Wilmar's easement and therefore Wilmar will not be carrying out the works.

To be carried over to discuss with Ms Denise Elrick from TMR.

Ms Denise Elrick advised that TMR currently don't have the funds to remove the trees however from her investigations, she believed that the haulouts have alternative route that they could take.

Mr Stephen Marbelli advised that the route the haulouts use depends on where the bins are situated and may not always be able to take the alternative route. Ms Denise Elrick advised she believed that the haulouts should still have sufficient site distance.

Council to contact Transport and Main Roads to enquire the process of getting someone else to remove the trees.

**ACTION:** *Mr James Stewart advised that his meeting with Peter Sakkas of TMR had to be rescheduled. Mr James Stewart to follow up.*

- 3.5 Mayor Rodger Bow advised that there used to be a left turn lane into Sportsmans Parade on Fairford Road however since TMR resurfaced the area, they didn't put it back in when they did the linemarking. Requesting for the linemarking to be reinstated for the left turn lane.**

Ms Denise Elrick to investigate.

Ms Denise Elrick advised that there are plans in place for further line marking to include an edge line.

To be carried.

To be carried.

**ACTION:** *To be carried, Mr Kevin Riseley advised that this has been referred to TMR maintenance.*

**3.6 Communication between Transport and Main Roads and Hinchinbrook Shire Council and priority listing of jobs.**

Mr James Stewart to compile a prioritised list of areas of concern which need attention and forward onto Denise.

List to include:-

- Rows Corner located on Stone River Road;
- Corner of Fairford Road and Abergowrie Road – Water ponding; and
- Abergowrie Road – Drop in the road just past the Ashton Hotel heading towards Ingham and Rail crossing's after re seal.

Ms Denise Elrick to organise a meeting to discuss prioritised list in the New Year.

Mr James Stewart advised that an RMPC meeting is being held on Monday, 8 February 2016, where discussion will be included regarding the priority listing of jobs and the various concerns which have been raised.

James to follow up with Ms Denise Elrick to organise an addition meeting with higher level representatives from TMR.

Mr James Stewart advised that he has a meeting scheduled with Mr Peter Sakkas of TMR to discuss further. Mr James Stewart to report at the next HRSAC meeting outcomes from the meeting.

**ACTION:** *Mr James Stewart advised that meeting with Peter Sakkas of TMR had to be postponed. To be carried.*

**3.7 Mr Frank Martino enquired why there is no school zones for the Ingham State High School which poses a safety concern with the speed limit being 60km/hr.**

To be raised with Ms Denise Elrick at the next HRSAC meeting.

Ms Denise Elrick advised that as Ingham State High School is on a Council controlled road, it will be Council's decision if they want to install school zone.

Mr Frank Martino raised concerns that motorists coming from Cartwright Street heading towards the High School are doing 60km in the 60km zone coming up over the crest at the intersection of Marina Parade / Menzies Street and then manoeuvring out onto the right hand lane around school buses pulling out of the school.

Mr James Stewart to investigate further.

**ACTION:** *To be carried.*

It was further discussed that there are no school zone warning signs when you come out of Fraser Street or Miles Street approaching the Ingham State Primary School. Mr James Stewart to investigate further.

**ACTION:** *To be carried.*

**3.8 Mr John Tantalo advised that the Queensland Ambulance Service Halifax has expressed concerns regarding the road/level crossing near Ufers Road, Beamerside on their vehicle and patients. The level crossing is a Wilmar Sugar Australia Limited crossing and John has been advised that that it is becoming an issue when driving over the level crossing, particularly when on a priority case.**

It was discussed that the approaches need to come back further. Ms Denise Elrick to investigate and report back to the committee.

**ACTION:** *To be carried.*

HRSAC Secretary to send correspondence to TMR regarding the standards of resealing near railway crossings in general.

**ACTION:** *Correspondence sent to TMR. Awaiting response. To be carried.*

**3.9 Mr Ricky Quabba advised that there are some confusions on the current positioning of the give way sign at Halifax Road / Bruce Highway intersection.**

Ms Denise Elrick to investigate positioning of the sign.

**ACTION:** *Mr Kevin Riseley advised that concern has been referred to TMR maintenance. To be carried.*

- 3.10 **Ricky Quabba** advised that there are dead branches overhanging the road on the straight just before Arnott Creek.

Ms Denise Elrick to investigate.

**ACTION:** To be carried.

- 3.11 **Mr Robert Lyon** advised that there is no 100km sign coming back from Halifax to Ingham via Four Mile Road.

Works Engineer, Dr Jenna Devietti, is currently investigating.

Works have been completed.

Matter closed.

- 3.12 **Mr Robert Lyon** requested that the Council's Works department be reminded to check overhanging trees before the cane crushing season commences.

HRSAC Secretary to send email to Works Manager.

Email sent to Works Manager on 9 May 2016. [Refer Outwards Correspondence Item 4]

Works crews are carrying out inspections.

Matter closed.

- 3.13 **Mr Robert Lyon** advised that there is a tree obstructing vision at the intersection of Macrossan Street and Halifax-Bemerside Road as you approach Spar in a high vehicle.

Mr James Stewart to investigate.

**ACTION:** Mr John Tantalo to follow up with Mr Steve Fantuz owner of SPAR.

- 3.14 **Mr Don Oswin** advised that near the stop sign at the railway crossing on Alma Street, Halifax, there are trees on either side situated on private property, obstructing vision of motorists.

Ms Denise Elrick to investigate and report back to the next HRSAC meeting.

**ACTION:** Mr James Stewart and Mayor Ramon Jayo to re inspect. Mr Kevin Riseley advised that following their inspection, it was advised that either Council write to the owners requesting trimming or removal of the trees or request Wilmar to look into additional signage. Mayor Ramon Jayo advised that as the trees are overhanging Main Road corridor, we may not have power through the local laws.

#### 4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

##### **Outward Correspondence**

- Works Manager, Mr Steve Hall [Hinchinbrook Shire Council] – Check for overhanging trees prior to cane crushing season. Doc ID# 2156362.
- Mr Sanjay Ram, Regional Director (North Queensland) [Transport and Main Roads] – Re-sealing activities adjacent rail crossings. Doc ID# 2158615.
- Mr Robert Cavallero [Wilmar Sugar Pty Ltd SHE Committee] – Request to change signage at the railway crossing located on Neame Street, Ingham. Doc ID# 2158675.

##### **Incoming Correspondence**

Nil

**RESOLUTION:** That the Correspondence report be accepted as read.

Moved by: Mr Rick Butler

Seconded by: Mr Robert Lyon

#### 5. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- 5.1 **Mr Ricky Quabba** requested that a letter be sent to Roadtek regarding the service provided by Phillip Zandona over the years following his passing.

**ACTION:** HRSAC Secretary to send correspondence to Roadtek.

- 5.2 **Mr Robert Lyon** advised that turning off Halifax Road zoned onto Taylors Beach Road, there is no speed sign advising that the speed is now 100km/hr.

**ACTION:** Enter as a works request.  
Mr James Stewart to follow up.



- 5.3 Ms Allison Barlow advising that the Fatality Free Friday event held at the Ingham Courthouse had a good response. Looking at doing something at the TYTO Precinct next year.

*Noted.*

- 5.4 Mr Rick Butler advised that coming out of Woolworths at the intersection of Christies Street and Francis Street, the property on the left has overgrown vegetation obstructing the view of oncoming traffic.

**ACTION:** Mr James Stewart and Mayor Ramon Jayo to investigate and see if something can be done through the Local Law.

- 5.5 Mr Don Oswin advised that they are commencing movement of cane bins and clean-up of sidings prior to the cane crushing season and has asked that word of caution be spread around.

*Noted.*

- 5.6 Mr Paul Marbelli advised that due to the recent rainfall, scouring is occurring along Kemps Road.

**ACTION:** HRSAC Secretary to log a works request.

- 5.7 Mr James Stewart advised that a letter to the editor was published regarding the lack of disabled parking bays and advised that Council is currently progressing with installing disabled parking bays in various locations such as adjacent to Charcoal Chicken, Post Office, National Australian Bank and Coles.

*Noted.*

- 5.8 Mr James Stewart advised that the bridges within the shire have been inspected and all apart from Kirks bridge have met the requirements. Lannercost Extension Road bridge works have been completed and signage has been taken down. Awaiting official opening.

*Noted.*

- 5.9 Mr Kevin Riseley advised that signage for the Cordelia overpass has been referred to TMR's maintenance department and the request for the route to be removed as a B Double Route has been referred to TMR's community engagement department.

*Noted.*

- 5.10 Mayor Ramon Jayo advised that he received concern from Sam Zullo regarding single trailer semi-trucks going into the township of Macknade where the shop is located to access the mill and the road is not wide enough to take the trucks. Sam Zullo has requested that the road be closed to heavy vehicles.

**ACTION:** As the trucks are delivery trucks for the mill, Mr Don Oswin to discuss with Wilmar Sugars store regarding the concern.

- 5.11 Mayor Ramon Jayo advised that the previous Council had proposed that the main street speed limit be reduced to 40km/hr however the new Council has agreed to revoke this decision and the 60km/hr speed limit will remain. Also advised that the Ingham CBD Revitalisation Project is being reviewed again by the new Council.

*Noted.*

## 6. **NEXT MEETING**

The next HRSAC Meeting is scheduled at 10:30am on Wednesday, 3 August 2016, in the Council Chambers

## 7. **CLOSURE**

Meeting closed at: 11:19am

  
Mayor Ramon Jayo  
CHAIRPERSON