

# HINCHINBROOK ROAD SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## MINUTES OF HINCHINBROOK ROAD SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON 2 OCTOBER 2014

Meeting Opened: 10.30am on Thursday, 2 October 2014

### **1. ATTENDANCE**

Present were: Mayor Rodger Bow (Hinchinbrook Shire Council – HRSAC Chairperson), Mr Robert Giuliano (Engineering Compliance and Technical Officer - ECTO), Mr Rick Quabba (Queensland Mechanical Cane Harvesting Association – QMCHA), Mr Geoff Boremann (Queensland Police Services – QPS), Ms Kirrily Low (Hinchinbrook Shire Council – HRSAC Secretary), Mr Dale Mackenzie (Department of Transport and Main Roads – DTMR), Mr Donald Oswin (Wilmar Sugar Australia Limited), Mr Mark Carey (Designer – HSC), Ms Bev Gorman (Queensland Transport – QT), Mr Robert Lyon (North Queensland Bio Energy – NQBE), Mr Frank Martino (Transnorth Bus Services), Mr Frank Russo (Hinchinbrook Chamber of Commerce Industry & Tourism – HCCI&T), Mr James Stewart (Executive Manager Engineering Services – EMES), Mr Michael Pisano (Canegrowers).

### **APOLOGIES**

An apology for non-attendance was received from: Mr Jim Kirchner (Wilmar Sugar Australia Limited), Mr Lenny Toscano (Australia Post), Dr Jenna Devietti (Works Engineer – WE), Steven Marbelli (Canegrowers)

### **2. CONFIRM MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING OF 7 AUGUST 2014**

Meeting held on 7 August 2014, be approved as a correct record of proceedings.

Moved by: Mr Robert Giuliano

Seconded by: Mr Don Oswin

### **3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES – 7 AUGUST 2014**

#### **3.1 Alison Barlow provided an overview on the outcome of pedestrian counts taken place recently in Ingham.**

*Alison to send Mayor Rodger Bow an overview on the data.*

*Rodger to talk to the Herbert River Express and put in an article before Christmas.*

*Item to be carried over.*

*Alison tabled Pedestrian Counts Data.*

*To be carried.*

*HRSAC secretary to provide Mayor Rodger Bow with the pedestrian counts provided at the last meeting. Mayor Rodger Bow to talk to the Herbert River Express and put in an article regarding pedestrian safety.*

**ACTION:** *Secretary has provided pedestrian counts to Mayor Rodger Bow. Mayor Rodger Bow to talk to the Herbert River Express and put in an article regarding pedestrian safety*

#### **3.2 Mr Don Oswin requests for Council to extend the length of the centre island in Neame Street (near Gilroy College) to prevent traffic performing a U turn instead of staying left.**

*Inspection to be undertaken by Council to review situation.*

*After discussion involving Police, Council will look into putting in double lines.*

*Wilmar is currently reviewing the new layout and may write a letter to Council regarding putting up a mirror.*

*Finalising the design for installation of double lines.*

*Design to be finalised in the next month.*

**ACTION:** *Still on going*

- 3.3 A complaint was made to The Taylors Beach Progress Association that an existing sign at is too reflective. Andrew Lancini has information on who has put in complaint.

*Council to follow up matter with Andrew Lancini regarding location of signage*

*Contact was made with Andrew Lancini to gather information regarding the sign in question however Council was referred to Mr John Tantalo (QPS).*

*Mr John Tantalo (QPS) advised that he would inspect the sign during night time and present findings to the next HRSAC meeting.*

*Mr John Tantalo advised that he investigated the signs of concern and noted that they are two road warning signs located between the two bends on the way to Taylors Beach. Dr Jenna Devietti advised that Council will be conducting night inspections and will investigate the signage concern.*

*John to take photos at night of the signs and provide to Council.*

*Mr John Tantalo has provided photos and Council's Maintenance Supervisor has organised and completed for the signs to be repositioned so they are less reflective. Matter completed*

- 3.4 Robert Lyons (NQBE) requested the End of Road sign at Lannercost Extension Road be moved to the traffic lights. It was suggested an Ingham Sign with direction arrow be erected.

*DTMR to inspect and review*

*To be carried.*

*Mr Dale Mackenzie advised that he tried to inspect this after the last meeting however was unable to locate the area in question. Will inspect again after todays meeting.*

*Mr Dale Mackenzie to provide findings at the next HRSAC meeting.*

**ACTION:** *Mr Dale Mackenzie has inspected the area and advised that the sign in mention should be repositioned on the other side however it may be too close to the train line. Mr Don Oswin advised that the sign can be a minimum of 3 m from the edge of the train line.*

*Mr Dale Mackenzie to investigate further based on this information.*

- 3.5 Don Auld (Queensland Police Service - QPS) requested that during rain events the Road Closed sign for the Halifax Washaway (currently placed at the washaway) be located near Victoria Mill and one at Cooks Lane.

*Council to investigate and present report to Council regarding matter*

*Report to be presented to Council's next Ordinary Meeting.*

*Report going to Council's Ordinary Meeting on 19 August 2014. DTMR to advise works proposed for raising the washaway.*

*A Report went to Council on 19 August 2014. The recommendation was carried that Council do not progress with advance warning signs for road closures on access roads to Halifax. Matter Closed*

- 3.6 Mayor Rodger Bow advised that he has raised concerns regarding the current positioning of the 80 km/hr on Challands Street, Ingham, and has requested for the sign to be moved.

*Item to be carried.*

*Mr Dale Mackenzie to investigate and report back to the next HRSAC Meeting.*

**ACTION:** *To be carried*



- 3.7 Mr Luigi Cantoni brought up concerns regarding the lack of disabled parking within the Ingham CBD and the number of people with no disability parking in the disabled parking bays.

*Dr Jenna Devietti (WE) advised that Council has reviewed a number of sites to possible place extra disability parking bays however the grade of the road within the areas are unsuitable.*

*Dr Jenna Devietti (WE) to advise the appropriate department within Council regarding policing of the disability parking bays.*

*Mr Luigi Cantoni to advise Dr Jenna Devietti (WE) of sites where they would like more disability parking bays.*

*Meeting scheduled with Mr Luigi Cantoni and Dr Jenna Devietti (WE) on Monday, 11 August 2014.*

**ACTION:** *Mr Mark Carey advised that Council's Design Department have since done a review of four possible disabled parking bays in Lannercost Street, Ingham, and noted that all bays have come back non compliant. Correspondence to be sent to Luigi to advise him of the outcome.*

- 3.8 Confusion tourists are having regarding DTMR signs directing them from the highway south (TYTO) to Wallaman Falls.

*Mr Robert Giuliano (ECTO) met with Department of Transport and Main Roads [DTMR] to discuss. DTMR to investigate.*

**ACTION:** *Waiting on response from DTMR in Brisbane. To be carried*

- 3.9 Mayor Rodger Bow advised that he received a complaint from a resident at Lucinda regarding motorists continuing to do 80 km/hr right up until the stop adjacent to the Lucinda Pub. The resident enquired whether DTMR could install a sign similar to ones found up north which could be attached to the 60 km/hr sign which says "Check Your Speed".

*Mr Dale Mackenzie to look into the possibility and provide something in writing to advise Council if this is possible.*

*Mr Dale Mackenzie provided an image of the "check your speed" sign to Council. Council provided the exact location and advised that as this is on a main road, Council would expect DTMR to determine whether it is appropriate for the department to install this sign. Mr Dale Mackenzie advised that he will organise to order this sign to be installed by Council. A few members enquired if flashing signs would be more effective however it was noted that it would be more costly and there would be a risk of faults within the signs.*

**ACTION:** *Mr James Stewart suggested that Council do a traffic speed count before and after the installation of the new "check your speed sign" to monitor effectiveness.*

- 3.10 Mr Lenny Toscano advised that the man hole located at the intersection of Townsville Road and Lannercost Street, Ingham, needs to be repaired.

*DTMR to investigate.*

**ACTION:** *Mr Dale Mackenzie advised that the man hole is not a DTMR structure and may be a water and sewerage structure within Council.*

*Mr James Stewart to look into this.*

#### 4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

##### **Outward Correspondence**

Nil

##### **Incoming Correspondence**

- Mr Giovanni Tantalo from Queensland Police Service (QPS) emailed concerns raised from a resident of Cordelia in relation to the speed limit for Eddleston Drive, Cordelia, particularly within and approaching the township. The resident is requesting an upgrade of the current 60 km/hr speed limit signage to a larger sign or drop the speed limit to 50 km/hr.

**ACTION:** *Mr James Stewart suggested that Council do a traffic speed count before and after the installation of the new "check your speed sign" to monitor effectiveness.*

*Mr Dale Mackenzie and Mr James Stewart to discuss this further.*

- Mr Rodger Bow raised matters which were brought up at the Bambaroo Community Shed Meeting held on 27 May 2014. It was raised that members of the public requested slow down/turn off lanes to be installed on the Bruce Highway at Catastis Road and also on the Bruce Highway at Toobanna School Road.

**ACTION:** *Correspondence to be sent to DTMR for consideration as the responsible authority.*

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

*Moved by: Mr Robert Giuliano*

*Seconded by: Mr Frank Russo*

## 5. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

- 5.1 Ricky Quabba enquired if anything was discussed after a recent vehicle accident at the intersection of Farrell Drive and Macrossan Street, Halifax.

Mayor Rodger Bow advised that no further discussions were held as there is enough warning signs and lines in place and the area does not warrant a round a bout.

**ACTION** *Matter Closed*

- 5.2 Robert Lyon asked when the sink in the road on Abergowrie Road would be fixed and also raised that there is a bad sink in the road at the bottom of the cutaway just before Gowrie Creek Bridge on Abergowrie Road.

**ACTION:** *Mr James Stewart noted and to discuss the concern further with Mr Dale Mackenzie.*

- 5.3 Mr Michael Pisano requested clarification on the correct road rules for crossing painted traffic islands, in particular, in front of Ingham Agencies.

*It was deciphered that if it is one single unbroken line you are able to cross it providing you are entering or leaving a road. If it is a double unbroken line, you cannot cross.*

**ACTION** *Matter Closed*

- 5.4 Mr Frank Martino thanked Council on behalf of the bus companies for reviewing and rectifying the bus linemarking adjacent to the Ingham State Primary School.

**ACTION** *Matter Closed*

- 5.5 Ms Bev Gorman advised that registration stickers are not longer being issued for light vehicles only.

**ACTION:** *Matter Closed*

- 5.6 Mr James Stewart advised that the intersection of Cartwright Street and Hardy Street requires a round a bout to be installed due to a lack of visibility in this area.

**ACTION:** *Mr James Stewart and Mr Dale Mackenzie to inspect*

- 5.7 Mr James Stewart enquired representative of Wilmar Sugar if they have thought about doing anything to the train line which runs through Burke Street, Ingham, as it is currently created concerns with the residents of Burke Street.

Mr Don Oswin advised that Wilmar have no plans to do anything with the train line in Burke Street.

- 5.8 A request was made from a member of the public for Council to look into installing a street light over the pedestrian crossing in Eleanor Street adjacent the walking track as she had a near miss with pedestrians walking across at night.

**ACTION:** *Review to be made on the pedestrian crossing in mention to see if the crossing is meant to be there in the first place.*

## 6. **NEXT MEETING**

The next HRSAC Meeting is scheduled at 10:30am on Thursday, 4 December 2014, at TYTO

## 7. **CLOSURE**

Meeting closed at 11:40am

  
Mayor Rodger Bow  
CHAIRPERSON