

**George Town Community Safety Group Committee Meeting  
6<sup>th</sup> February 2018  
Confirmed Minutes**

**Meeting opened:** The meeting opened at 12.30pm.

**Present:** Cr Heather Barwick (Chair), Jason Orr (LCA), Cr John Glisson (GTCC), Anne Blythman (Community Hub), Simone Lowe (GTNH), Sergeant Dwayne Kirby (Tas, Police), Gary Byard (WPA),

**Minute Secretary:** Louise Dickenson, GTC

**Apologies:** Inspector Michael Johnston, Northern District (Tas. Police), Nancy Donnelly (HPA), Kym Clayton

**Attendees:** Justine Brooks-Bedolph (General Manager); Mr and Mrs Bruinewood (Beechford Residents and Property Owners Association)

The Chair welcomed the General Manager and Mr and Mrs Bruinewood of the Beechford Residents and Property Owners Association to the meeting. The Chair advised that a representative from the BRPOA are welcome to attend future George Town Safety Group Committee meetings.

**Motion:** To receive the minutes of the previous meeting of the 5th December 2017.

Moved: Cr Glisson  
Seconded: Mr G Byard

**CARRIED**

**Motion:** To accept the minutes of the previous meeting of the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2107 as an accurate record of that meeting.

Moved: Cr Glisson  
Seconded: Mr G Byard

**CARRIED**

**Correspondence:**

**Speed Signage – Lulworth**

Correspondence had been received regarding the safety issue of speeding through Lulworth. Council's Team Leader Works & Infrastructure to be requested to look into the signage being a Council operational matter. Breach of speeding is a police issue. There is a similar sign heading into Weymouth as an example. Council to reinstate the signage at the approach to Tam O'Shanter at Seascape Drive and Bush Haven.

Changing of speed limit is a matter to be dealt with by State Growth.

**Business arising from the minutes and the Action Sheet:**

Action List Update:

11/15 Speed limits on Dalrymple Rd

To remain on Action List. Signs have been erected along Industry and Glen Roads. It is proposed for East Arm to be changed to 80km.

13/15 Pedestrian Safety at Hurst St

Jason advised that he will be meeting with Council's Team Leader Works & Infrastructure on site to discuss pedestrian safety at Hurst Street. Further information to be submitted to Council. Further information from the Department of Transport is still pending.

04/16 Pedestrian safety in vicinity of Macquarie Street/Sorrell Street intersection

Completed.

05/16 Wheelie bin speed reminder stickers

The Chair and the General Manager provided an update to the Committee. It was advised that a Western Australian company had the right to the wording. It is a registered award winning group which can provide the stickers at ½ the quoted price. State Growth and Council's logo can go on the signage.

The Chair advised that the General Manager and herself will be meeting with Mr Hoey of the Road Safety Committee next Friday. An update will be provided at the March meeting.

The General Manager advised that a report may be required to go to the Ordinary Council meeting for a resolution to approve the new design of the wheelie bin stickers.

*Action: Secretary to check council's resolution on wheelie bin stickers.*

02/17 Disability parking – Macquarie Street

Committee awaiting report.

03/17 Weymouth Bridge

The Chair advised that trees have been cleared to improve the line of sight at the Weymouth bridge but there have still been near misses at the bridge.

Council had resolved that the Weymouth bridge upgrade will not be going ahead. The General Manager tabled Council's plan to install relevant markings with a give way sign at the Weymouth bridge.

Gary Byard expressed his concern at Council's resolution not to go ahead with the upgrade of the bridge and advised that he will continue to follow this up with the government

05/17 Use of Community Notice Board

Posters are generally out of date on the notice board. The use of the community notice board will require a budget item if it is to be used to advertise community events other than Council's.

06/17 Weymouth traffic flow to boat ramp

A report to be provided to the Ordinary Council meeting on the survey results for a one-way loop at Weymouth. Further suggestions were provided i.e. traffic calming devices; extension of Trevor Street. Weymouth Progress Association will be holding their meeting in March and would like to provide an update to their residents.

#### **General/Other Business:**

##### Correspondence update:

- Ms J. McKay regarding her concerns on police presence has not contacted the police at the time of this meeting.
- Sergeant Johnston had been in contact with Jason Orr regarding the traffic on the beach.
- Ms H. Wood concerns at Old Coast Road/Lagoon Beach South end have been addressed.

## **Area Reports:**

### George Town Chamber of Commerce – Cr John Glisson

That the initial meeting of George Town Neighbourhood Watch will be held on 6<sup>th</sup> February from 6-7 pm.

### George Town Neighbourhood House – Simone Lowe

Neighbourhood House have offered a meeting room to the newly formed GTNW.

### Community Hub – Anne Blythman

Nil.

### Tas Police – Inspector Johnson and Dwayne Kirkby

Reported that there have been a few incidents in and around George Town. The recent bushfire has been followed up on.

The community involvement at Weymouth is to be congratulated in assisting police.

Constable Marita Osborn the State Community Policing Officer and Constable Annabel Shegog from Northern Community Policing Services attended and spoke to the group about CrimeStoppers Tasmania and how it works and approx. 15 residents attended.

### Weymouth Progress Association – Gary Byard

Advised that there were illegal camping and fires being lit on total fire ban days. It was requested that Council consider installing a no camping sign at the foreshore and reserve. It was advised that Council does not have jurisdiction on Crown Land and Council does not have any by laws to govern and control illegal camping.

## **Motion**

Moved: Gary Byard

Seconded: Jason Orr

That Council consider investigating the best and appropriate method to request no camping along George Town municipalities coastal regions.

**CARRIED**

The Chair thanked the General Manager for attending.

The Chair closed the meeting at 1.40 pm.

The next meeting of the George Town Community Safety Committee will be held 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

## Action List

REF	SUBJECT	DETAIL	RESP.OFFICER	DATE ACTIONED/ACTION REQUIRED & STATUS
10/15	Council to seek support through LGAT for legislation to give authority to emergency workers to manage speed of passing drivers at incident	Resolution to Council re broad council support in Tasmania for legislation re speed restrictions at scene of incident when Tas Police not in attendance	Committee	Motion was supported at the LGAT AGM; in progress
11/15	Speed restrictions on Dalrymple Road	Bridport Road speed limit now adjusted down.  Committee request to Council to investigate options for speed reduction on Dalrymple Road.	Council Officer	Manager Infrastructure and Engineering working with the Department of State Growth to lower limits. No decision from Department yet.
13/15	Lulworth Community Association request re speeding in Hurst St	The LCA have identified speeding as an issue for pedestrian safety in Hurst St, and have provided information on a possible solution.  Tas Police noted that their patrols could be tweaked to the time of offenders' speeding, to assist in apprehension	Cr Barwick	Draft report provided. Application process to Dept of State Growth in progress  Update report requested from Team Leader Works & Infrastructure
04/16	Pedestrian safety in vicinity of Macquarie Street/Sorrell Street intersection	Cr Ashley requested through the Chair, that the Committee to look at installing a pedestrian crossing in the area	Council Officer	Completed.
05/16	Wheelie Bin speed reminder stickers	Possibility of progressing this project if outside funding can be sourced	Cr Barwick	Report to Council in line with resolution. Completed report. Committee adopted "Please Slow Down Consider our Kids".
02/17	Disability Parking – Macquarie Street	It has been noted that there is potentially inadequate disability parking in Macquarie Street	Council Officer	Audit to be undertaken by Council officers.  Update report requested.
03/17	Weymouth Bridge	Vegetation removal to be considered at budget meetings	Cr Barwick	Completed report to be provided to committee  Request through Council officer to kerbside waste collection contractor to be mindful of school bus when

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				<p>approaching Weymouth bridge.</p> <p>Council has received Federal grant funding and will review the project when preparing the Capital Works budget for 2018/19</p>
5/17	Use of community notice board to display community education messages	Resolution from the Committee to Council requesting Council's approval to use the Community Notice Board on Main Rd to display community education campaign messages when not being used to promote events		<p>To be considered at Council workshop.</p> <p>Report to be provided to Safety Committee once considered by Council</p>

All meetings commence at 12.30pm in the George Town Council Chambers. A light lunch is provided.