

**George Town Community Safety Group Committee Meeting
10th April, 2018
Confirmed Minutes**

Meeting opened: The meeting opened at 12.30pm.

Present: Cr Heather Barwick (Chair), Anne Blythman, Vicki Syms (WPA), Jason Orr (LCA), Karyl Bruinewood (BRPA), Simone Lowe (GTNH), Sergeant Dwayne Kirkby (TasPolice).

Minute Secretary: Louise Dickenson (GTC)

Apologies: Cr John Glisson, Lisa Bailey, Don Mackrill

Guest: Mr Craig Hoey, Manager Road Safety, Department of State Growth.

Motion:

Moved: Ms K. Bruinewood

Seconded: Ms S. Lowe

To receive the minutes of the previous meeting of the 6th March 2018.

CARRIED

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Moved: Ms K. Bruinewood

Seconded: Ms S. Lowe

To accept the minutes of the previous meeting of the 6th March 2018 as an accurate record of that meeting.

CARRIED

The Chair welcomed Mr Craig Hoey from the Department of State Growth to the Committee meeting. Mr Hoey provided the Committee with an extensive overview of the areas targeted by the Road Safety Division. Copies of the presentation will be provided to the Committee. The presentation included a comparison of George Town statistics to Tasmania. The main aim is to have a safe system i.e. safe roads; safe speeds; safe people; and safe vehicles. The hot spot for the municipality is George Town.

Mr Hoey advised that grants are now open for submissions and mentioned the positive community engagement in the Committee's proposal for the wheelie bin stickers.

Neighbourhood House advised that they are currently running a driver mentor program for Learner drivers. The Department of State Growth has grants that are available for this program to apply for. GTNH wishing to expand the program to include training courses for motorbike riders.

Correspondence:

The Chair advised that correspondence received from GK Creative Pty Ltd will be discussed in general business.

Business arising from the minutes and the Action Sheet:

Notice of Motions:

1. Weymouth bridge: The Chair advised the Committee that Council has made a decision regarding the Weymouth bridge on the 21st February 2018. The Chair re-iterated the Committee's role and responsibilities. The motion from the previous Safety meeting therefore cannot be actioned. The Council's motion for signage will be followed up for the Weymouth bridge.
2. Neighbourhood House has attended a Council workshop to discuss Housing. Motion is now complete.

3. Road markings at Hillwood as discussed at the last Committee meeting will be followed up by the Hillwood Progress Association. Mr Yam to await the outcome from HPA's discussion with the Department of State Growth.
4. Free camping issue was discussed. Meeting date in the minutes to be checked and altered if necessary.

Motion:

Moved: Ms S. Lowe
Seconded: Ms K. Bruinewood.

Motions so stricken.

CARRIED

Ms Lowe advised that following from the last meeting that the Needle and Syringe Program run by the Salvation Army do not have any marketing/educational material available for community groups/schools.

For future Notices of Motions submitted by Committee Members, these can be forwarded to Louise for Council officer investigation if necessary, prior to the next Committee meeting.

Sergeant Kirkby provided information that NSW has passed legislation on vehicles slowing for flashing blue and red lights to 50 km.

Action List Update:

11/15 Speed limits on Dalrymple Rd

Awaiting information since November 15. Chair to follow up. Louise to research documentation.

13/15 Pedestrian Safety at Hurst St

Council Officer Mr Yam advised that he met with Mr Orr to discuss pedestrian safety at Hurst Street. The request for relocating of speed humps are to have no impact on residents who had previously expressed concern. The new proposal would need to be forwarded to the State Growth for their advice and no timeline on a decision has been provided. The previous Council advertisement on the proposed speed humps requesting community comments, Council had received an objection. A response to this objection is to be provided to State Growth.

Update 10/4/18: Information has been forwarded to State Growth and to be followed up on. In coastal areas a shared cycle and footpath is provided on the sides of roads. This would have to be co-funded by Council.

A strategy for coastal villages is to be workshopped

05/16 Wheelie bin speed reminder stickers

The Chair tabled the correspondence from GK Creative Pty Ltd and advised that the stickers would be sealed and heat/cold resistant at a low cost. Committee to order 4,000 which will include logos from Dept State Growth (Road Safety), Council logo and proposed Safety Committee logo. It is proposed that funding would be available by June.

02/17 Disability parking – Macquarie Street

An investigation into disabled parking will be conducted by Council and a report will be provided to the Committee on the audit and standards. No further updated as at 10/04/2018.

General/Other Business:

Notice Board

NHHS requested if there was any further information on the use of the Community Notice Board to display community – education campaign messages. The Committee awaiting a report on the usage of the notice board.

Area Reports:

Lulworth Progress Association – Jason Orr

New signage has been provided advising no dogs or vehicles on beach. Jason has been in contact with Parks.

George Town Neighbourhood House – Simone Lowe

Community Education meeting on the Right of Tenants will be held next Thursday.

Tas Police – Seargent Kirkby

Police have been focusing on traffic around George Town. Incidents of unlicensed drivers. To discuss these incidents with S. Lowe.

Advised of the recent tragic house fire.

The Chair requested that all members to review the Community Safety Plan for George Town 2016 – 2019 for the next Committee meeting. This Plan has not been adopted by Council.

The Chair closed the meeting at 1.45 pm.

The next meeting of the George Town Community Safety Committee will be held 16th April 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
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". Application submitted to Dept State Growth.
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 approaching Weymouth bridge.

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				Project reviewed and signage and line marking to be completed.
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		To be considered at Council workshop. Report to be provided to Safety Committee once considered by Council.

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