

**George Town Community Safety Group Committee
Meeting Tuesday 1st June 2021
Confirmed Minutes**

Meeting opened: 12.30 p.m.

Present: Cr Barwick (Chair), Cr Barraclough (Deputy Chair), Simone Lowe, Jason Orr, Carolyn Smith, John Glisson, Ray Hibbs, Craig Tyeson, Gavin Barrett

Gallery: Brent Daire, Manager People, Performance and Governance

Minute Secretary: Louise Dickenson then Carolyn Smith

Apologies: Senior Sergeant Robert King

The Chair welcomed Brent Daire to the George Town Community Safety Group Committee.

Concerns were raised about the late notice given by Mr. Daire for his attendance at the meeting and the email that was sent the afternoon before to the Committee containing a superseded document. The Chair advised Mr. Daire that the "Terms of Reference" Review was on the Agenda and given the fullness of the Agenda already, the Review would take place but only as time permitted. Mr. Daire stated a number of times, that he was there at the direction of the Council. The Chair at this time attempted to continue the meeting as per the Agenda.

Ms. Dickenson left her seat and instructed Carolyn Smith to record the Minutes for the remainder of the meeting.

Louise Dickenson and Brent Daire then left the meeting at 12.38 p.m.

The Chair continued the meeting as per the Agenda.

Motion: To receive the minutes of the previous meeting of the 4th May 2021.

Moved: Mr J. Glisson
Seconded: Cr C. Barraclough

Carried

Motion: To accept the minutes of the previous meeting of the 4th May 2021 as an accurate record of that meeting

Moved: Cr C. Barraclough
Seconded: Mr J. Glisson

Carried

Correspondence:

- Resignation received from Lisa Bailey
- Resignation received from James Cameron
- Resignation received from George Town Hospital and Community Centre for Karen Schitzerling

Motion: To accept the Resignations and to write and thank them for their input

Moved: Mr J. Glisson

Seconded: Mr. R. Hibbs

Carried

Business arising from the minutes:

1. Mr Glisson asked if there was a report on the alleged York Cove sewerage spill. The Acting Manager Infrastructure and Works provided an update that the report came up clear and there was no ongoing issue however there will be continued monitoring.
2. Mr Glisson asked if there was an update to have the white buffer lines painted at the pedestrian crossing on Macquarie Street. The Acting Manager Infrastructure and Works has contacted the contractor and it should be completed in the next 2 – 3 weeks.

Notice of Motions

The Committee noted that the motion from the previous Safety Group Committee meeting was submitted to Council and approved at the Ordinary Council meeting.

Action List Update:

02/17 Access parking – Macquarie Street Streetscape Review

As per advice above from the Acting Manager Infrastructure and Works this is still at concept plan stage.

12/19 Anne Street footpath

As per advice above from the Acting Manager Infrastructure and Works, funding has been received through the State Governments Vulnerable Road User Program and is going through the design and procurement stage.

06/20 Gees Marsh Road, Bellingham – Speed Limit

As per advice above from the Acting Manager Infrastructure and Works the signs have been installed and there is no further action.

Motion: To remove the Gees Marsh Road, Bellingham – Speed Limit Action Item and mark it as complete.

Moved: Mr. R. Hibbs

Seconded: Mr. J. Glisson

Carried

06/20 Macquarie Street Pathway

As per advice above from the Acting Manager Infrastructure and Works this is still pending.

Area Reports:

Neighbourhood House – Simone Lowe

- Ability to contribute given the Terms of Reference
- Focus on Drug and Alcohol Counselling
- Pilot Sharps Project (free needle exchange) currently being run in conjunction with the Salvation Army and the Department of Health, Tasmania each Tuesday. Limited publicity to prevent community concern
- The new playground in Anne Street continues to be a concern for young children running onto the road. The Acting Manager Infrastructure and Works advised that the “soft fence” has been built to Australian standards and that there have been no official reports made. Positive messaging needs to be sent out to the community.

Bellingham Progress Association – Ray Hibbs

- The Bellingham Boat Ramp requires lighting, such as a solar panel light given it is getting dark so early. MAST do not supply lighting and the Council has received the request and it is being considered for the next financial year.
- Give Way sign is required for the corner of Smith and Howard Streets.

Low Head Progress Association – John Glisson

Nil.

Weymouth Progress Association – Craig Tyeson

- Previously submitted Service Requests
 - Sign - Dumping of waste prohibited: Weymouth Road and Campbell Street. Contact PWS.
 - Repair hole in tennis court wire fence.
 - Replace timber tank stand: Public Toilets at Weymouth Hall: scheduled.
 - Trimming of vegetation Walden Street entrance to Cricket Ground: to be actioned next financial year (see May 5 minutes).
- Recent Activity/Safety Issues
 - Quad bike activity on foreshore, beaches and sand dunes: PWS advised.
 - Recent break-ins: At least three premises impacted. Police have taken statements. Suggestion of installation of solar powered CCTV at entrance to Weymouth being investigated.
 - Installation of NBN to Weymouth Hall being investigated with assistance from Peter Groves.
 - Service Request from Derwen Ogilvie regarding fire hazard on land adjacent to Trevor Street has been referred to PWS. PWS recommends no further action required.
 - Risk Management Plan has been updated to reflect newly identified hazards
 - WPA Caravan Park Sub Committee is working with GTC and DPIPWE to devise and implement a Development Plan for the unused Camping Ground.
 - This includes flood and fire mitigation strategies, disability and Emergency Service access to the main beach and possible future low impact use of the site. This has been included in the WPA 2021/2022 Budget Submission to GTC. Community Consultation expected to be completed by the end of 2021.
- Forthcoming Events
 - Winter Solstice Lantern Walk and BBQ: June 12, 5:00 pm to 7:30 pm. All appropriate documentation has been submitted to GTC. Suggest that GTC considers providing event applications etc as online forms, which can be completed online.
 - General Meeting June 12, 10:00 am
 - Bushfire assessments to be conducted by David Cleaver from TFS following the General Meeting

Hillwood Progress Association – Carolyn Smith

- A copy of the correspondence regarding the Hillwood slip lane to the State Growth from Council, and from the Safety Committee has still not been received
- Concerns have been raised about the impact the Hillwood Structure Plan will have on the safety of all the community with an increase in population with regards to traffic, personal safety and crime and with regards to the lack of opportunity for Hillwood residents to provide input.
- A recent problem with rubbish being dumped in Hillwood at both Egg Island Point Reserve and at the main bus stop.

Lulworth Community Association/Pipers River Neighbourhood Watch - Jason Orr

- Involved in a 10 week proactive youth program for at risk children called “Reset”

General/Other Safety Business:

1. MAST has been undertaking an audit of boat ramp signs and the Council will be placing rubbish bin signs
2. Annual Review of George Town Community Safety Group Committee – Terms of Reference. With the concerns raised at the outset of the meeting with regards to the superseded document being referenced by Mr. Daire, the lateness of the request to participate in the meeting, without the presence of Mr. Daire and the meeting having already gone past it’s expected finish time, the Chair called the meeting to a close.

There being no more business meeting closed at 1.46 p.m.

Action List

REF	SUBJECT	DETAIL	RESP.OFFICER	DATE ACTIONED/ACTION REQUIRED & STATUS
02/17	Accessible Parking – Macquarie Street Streetscape Review	It has been noted that there is potentially inadequate access parking in Macquarie Street Raised crossing to be installed as part of traffic calming project.	Council Officer	Included in the Macquarie Street Redevelopment.
12/19	Anne Street footpath	Construction of the continuation of the footpath along Anne Street for pedestrian safety.	Manager Infrastructure & Works	To be included in Council's advocacy plan.
06/20	Gees Marsh Road, Bellingham	Speed reduction request for Gees Marsh Road	Manager Infrastructure & Works	Completed
06/20	Macquarie Street pathway	To investigate the footpath along Macquarie St for safety	Manager Infrastructure & Works	Completed
	Sharps Audit	Quarterly report to be provided to the Committee.	Manager Infrastructure & Works	Quarterly report (verbal only) provided each quarter.
01/21	Gees Marsh Road, Bellingham	Advanced speed warning signs to be installed.	Manager Infrastructure and Works	Completed
02/21	Macquarie Street pedestrian crossing	The installation of a rumble strip or painting of white lines prior to the crossing to be completed.	Manager Infrastructure and Works	To be completed
03/21	Industry Road	Removal of trees for improving of motorists site distance	Manager Infrastructure and Works	To be completed 2021/2022 financial year.
04/21	York Cove Rivulet drain safety	TasWater to action safety issue – to stop children from climbing on the drain	Manager Infrastructure and Works	Awaiting response from TasWater. Not a Council responsibility.
05/21	Regent Square safety rail outside of toilets	That the colour of the safety rail be changed so children are able to see the rail more clearly	Manager Infrastructure and Works	Included in the design for Redevelopment.
06/21	School Road	Trimming of trees to be undertaken.	Manager Infrastructure and Works	To be completed 2021/2022 financial year.
07/21	Walden Street	Access to the recreation ground and Walden Street vegetation to be cleared	Manager Infrastructure and Works	To be completed 2021/2022 financial year.
08/21	Blamey Street	No dumping of rubbish sign to be installed	Manager Infrastructure and Works	This is on Crown land – Council will investigate.