

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BALRANALD TRAFFIC COMMITTEE HELD AT THE BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL, ON 17TH AUGUST 2017 COMMENCING AT 11.05AM.

1. **PRESENT:**, Cr Alan Purtill, Fazlul Hoque (RMS), Margie Vanzanten (Local Members representative), Acting Director Infrastructure and Development (ADID) Malcolm Styles and Engineering Coordinator (EC) Gavin Helgeland.

2. **APOLOGIES:** Mayor Leigh Byron

3. **BUSINESS ARISING**

a. **Bertram & Taylor Rd Road Blocks (No Through Roads)**

Briefly discussed clarifying/changing wording on correctly referencing proposal – not closures (which would mean completely closing the roads from public use, making them inactive) but road blocks (locked gate barriers to be installed at the Morris Street ends)

Cr Purtill acknowledged Council is now resolved to move ahead with the plan to block the roads according to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 16th May.

ADID outlined the next step in the process will be consultation to demonstrate an acceptance by the public:

- a 28 day public notification inviting written submissions

EC to Action

- Written notification of intent requesting consent from RMS.

EC to Action

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b. **No Stopping Signs – Euston Motel**

- Committee resolved to place two No Stopping signs at the front of the Motel on the verge of SH14.

RMS to raise work instruction

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. **Request for Bus Stop Signage**

- Committee has resolved that the site be visited by the road authority (EC) and the bus operator for a risk assessment to establish risks such as visibility and standing room. Then advice will be issued at the next committee meeting.

EC to Action

b. **Extra 80 speed limit signs – Euston Entrances**

- A request from the community for more '80 km/h' signs be installed between the existing ones on the curve on the western side of Euston, as well as on the Robinvale side of the highway between the end of the 50 kph zone and the upgraded intersection (old Fruit Fly corner)?

It appears that motorists think these areas are 100km/h.

- Committee discussed issue and RMS suggested installation of '80 ahead' signs at approach to existing 80 signs.

RMS to investigate and advise

c. **Euston: Intersection Hazards/Incidents – Sturt Hwy-Murray Valley Hwy, Murray Valley Highway-Bridge Rd**

- Issue initially raised by Cr Roberts (Sturt Hwy-Murray Valley Hwy intersection, potential head-on collision)
- Committee discussed all three intersections and RMS will investigate safety opportunities for the intersections in question.

RMS to Action

EC subsequently spoke with Sgt Kirk [22/8] on these intersections and he indicated that the incidents appear to be driver-error related rather than resulting from risks posed by the actual intersections' configurations.

d. Balranald: Intersection Hazard Sturt Hwy-Endeavour Dr

- Discussed East-bound school buses turning right onto Endeavour drive from Sturt Hwy with trucks bearing down behind. Occasionally the bus driver feels trucks are at an unsafe distance behind (threat of rear-end collision) for the turn onto Endeavour.
- Local Community Representative to get more information from the driver about these incidences then make request (if any) to RMS for speed limit adjustment or road widening (passing lane).

Local Community Representative to Action

No further general business.

Next Meeting – At a date to be advised.

CLOSED – The meeting closed at 12.30pm.

Recommendation That these minutes be accepted and recommendations herein be adopted.