

Ashburton District Road Safety Co-ordinating Committee

AGENDA

Notice of Meeting:

A meeting of the Ashburton District Road Safety Co-ordinating Committee will be held on:

- Date: Tuesday 2 November 2021
- Time: 9.30am
- Venue: Council Chamber 137 Havelock Street, Ashburton

ADC Membership

Cr Lynette Lovett (Chair) Cr Liz McMillan (Deputy Chair) Cr Diane Rawlinson

Mayor Neil Brown (ex-officio)

1 Apologies

- Mayor Neil Brown
- Steve Burgerhout NZ

2 Notification of Extraordinary Business

3 Confirmation of Minutes – 3 August 2021

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4 Reports

4.1 Ashburton District Road Safety

5 2022 Meeting Date

Tuesday 1 February, 9.30am Tuesday 3 May, 9.30am Tuesday 2 August, 9.30am Tuesday 1 November, 9.30am



Ashburton District Road Safety Co-ordinating Committee Minutes

Date:	3 August 2021
Venue:	Council Chamber, 137 Havelock Street, Ashburton
Time:	9.30am

1 Welcome and Apologies

That apologies for absence be received on behalf of Mayor Neil Brown, Cr Liz McMillan, Daniel Naude (South Canterbury Road Safety), Neil Simons (Principals Association), Steve Burgerhout (NZ Police – State Highway), Lesley Symington (Safer Mid Canterbury)

Skevington/Rawlinson Carried

Present:

Lynette Lovett (Chair)	ADC Councillor	Andrae Gold	ACADS
Diane Rawlinson	ADC Councillor	John Skevington	AA
John Keenan	Waka Kotahi/NZTA	Shane Cochrane	NZ Police – Commercial Vehicle
Sean Nilsson	Waka Kotahi/NZTA	Bevan Findlay	FENZ
Wendi Stewart	ACC		

Also in attendance:

Angus McKay ADC Councillor	
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In attendance:

Martin Lo	Graduate Engineer – Roading	Carol McAtamney	Governance Support Officer	
Brian Fauth	Roading Manager			

2 Notification of Extraordinary Business

Nil.

3 Confirmation of Minutes

That the minutes of the Ashburton District Road Safety Coordinating Committee meeting held on 4 May 2021, be taken as read and confirmed.

Cochrane/Keenan

Carried

4 Reports/Agency Updates

4.1 Dan McLaughlin – Methven Community Board

9.32am – 9.49m

Concerns re the Mt Hutt Station Road (SH77)

- Opuke Hot pools are due to open soon and the entrance/exit is on Mt Hutt Station Road
- Methven Racecourse events have increased from four to 11 per year
- Camrose Estate has had 220 sections sold and construction work has commenced (Holmes Road enters onto Mt Hutt Station Road)

All of these factors will increase use of SH77 which currently has a speed limit of 100km. Would like to see this speed limit reduced. There is no connection/foot path from these public facilities to the town centre for people to safely walk along.

It was advised that a state highway cannot have a footpath on a stretch of road that has a 100km speed limit. The process to follow would be for the Methven Community Board to

write to Council requesting a speed limit change and for Council to lobby NZTA. It was also advised that this would not be a quick fix, possibly a 2-3 year process.

4.2 Salvation Army Community Driver Mentor Programme

Keran Tsering (Driver Programme Manager), Heather Daly (Driver Programme Coordinator) – 9.51am – 10.06am

- Community Driver Mentor programme which provides opportunities for supervised driving experience and licence support (currently in six districts in the South Island)
- Programme is for those who have their learners licence and are wanting to get to restricted/full
- It is a 12 week programme, twice a week working with instructors, practicing skills to be a safer driver and pass restricted test
- Have assisted 64 people obtain drivers licences
- Looking for collaboration with other groups to ensure good use of resources, shared knowledge to ensure programme can continue.
- Willing to work with other groups to promote road safety initiatives to programme participants.

4.3 Ashburton District Road Safety

Martin Lo

• Currently working with interested parties (Police, FENZ, ACC, Waka Kotahi) on an updated Road Safety action plan. Expect a draft plan to be presented to the Committee at the next meeting.

4.4 Automobile Association

John Skevington

- Concerns regarding the reflectorized signs for passing lanes etc are very dirty and have become less effective. Is there a regular cleaning programme for these?
- Waka Kotahi advised that there is no regular cleaning programme but they will pass the message on.

4.5 Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency

The proposed safety crossing for SH77/Moore street was not able to be completed due to a contractor not being able to be secured to complete the task prior to June 2021. Funding is now being sought to complete this task in the future.

A public announcement was made on 2 August advising that all new vehicles and car sales will be required to display a label which advises the safety rating of the vehicle.

4.6 ACADS

Chris Levitt is conducting one on one sessions for DUI offenders as there are insufficient numbers for group sessions.

4.7 Safer Mid Canterbury

Currently working with Council and ACC on a feature page in both local newspapers focusing on Motor Cycle Awareness Month in September.

The Mid Canterbury Community Vehicle Trust has recently reviewed feedback on the Community Transport Service and will be moving towards an on-demand service Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm, rather than the fixed day/fixed route service that has been operating on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The fixed route/day service doesn't suit a lot of people who need to go to Ashburton on other days of the week for hospital appointments, etc.

4.8 Police

Undertook an operation in conjunction with the highway patrol on commercial vehicle safety and breathe tests targeting the Mt Hutt, Remarkables and Coronet Peak ski fields. 792 breathe tests were administer in the Mt Hutt area with 16 showing signs of alcohol, one of which faces prosecution.

4.9 ACC

ACC and Waka Kotahi are partners in delivering DRIVE, a website and app aimed at young people to help them through their licence. The 'Winter Series' campaign is currently live <u>Winter series (drive.govt.nz)</u>

Waka Kotahi have a "Decepta Car" available for educating parents and young drivers about safety ratings for vehicles. The vehicle has a safety rating of one and highlights the dangers of a low safety rated vehicle. The vehicle will be in the Canterbury region during October/November.

A Regional Road Safety workshop, led by Ecan, will be held within the next two months. Looking for suggestions from Council as to what data they would like to capture at the workshop.

5 Next Meeting Date

The next meeting date is Tuesday 2 November 2021 at 9.30am.

Meeting closed at 10.51am

ROAD SAFETY ACTION PLAN 2020-21

Ashburton District

This is a living document

Projects and actions in this plan will be continually be edited and updated throughout the financial year.

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Road to Zero

Road Safety Strategy 2020-2030

Our vision is:

A New Zealand where no one is killed or seriously injured in road crashes. This means that no death or serious injury while travelling on our roads is acceptable.

Strategic Framework:



Our target is:

To reduce death and serious injuries on our roads by 40 percent over the next decade. In 2018, Ashburton District had 2 fatal and 11 seriously injured crashes (3 fatalities and 16 seriously injured individuals). To achieve this 40 percent reduction by 2030, we must reduce the number of crashes to 1 fatal and 7 serious injured (2 fatalities and 10 seriously injured individuals).

Ashburton District Road Safety Coordination Committee plans to:

- Fully understand crash risks on our road networks
- Redesign identified high-risk road infrastructures to be more predictable and forgiving of mistakes
- Ensure travel speeds suit the function and safety level of the local road environment
- Ensure road resources communicate the right message to the road users
- Ensure all road users are competent to use our local roads safely

Ashburton Road Safety Action Plan Priorities:

Major

- Alcohol and Drug-impaired driving
- Intersections
- Safer Speeds
- Young Drivers

Minor

- Distraction
- Fatigue
- Motorcycles
- Restraints



Ashburton District Injury Crash per Year



Fatal Serious Minor



Death and Serious Injury (DSI) Crash Statistic



Crash data is taken from the Crash Analysis System (CAS). The data shown was taken from the records for death and serious injury crashes between 2016-2020. State Highway and local roads inclusive.

Alcohol road safety factor represents as the top cause of death and serious injury crashes in Ashburton. Alcohol was involved in more than 50% of DSI crashes. Drivers age between 20-29 remains as the dominant (39%) age group contributing to alcohol related crashes.

One in three DSI crashes happens at an intersection. Drivers contributing to intersection crashes are divide evenly between male (56%) and females (44%).



Driver aged between 16-29 represents as a high risk age group for DSI crashes (37%). Also, there has been a surge in crashes for drivers aged between 65-69.

The most common movement category for young drivers are losing control on straight roads and on bends.

Male drivers were at fault or partly at fault in 74% of DSI crashes.

70% of DSI crashes happened on roads with a speed limit greater than 70km/h.



Road Safety Improvements

Project	Description	Lead Agency
Belt Rd/ Middle Rd	Raised centre island & additional sign installation	ADC
Bridge St/ Glassworks Rd	Intersection improvement	ADC
Chalmers Ave/Wellington St/Havelock St	Intersection improvement	ADC
Racecourse Rd/Hepburns Rd	Intersection sealed widening & right turn bay installation	ADC
School Kea crossing	Install Kea crossing for schools	ADC
School zone speed limit	Setting the variable speed limit on roads near schools	ADC
Urban cycle lane road markings	Green cycle lane installation	ADC
Urban cycling pathfinder	Walking & cycling signage installation	ADC
Urban walking accessibility	Footpath kerb and channel accessibility improvement	ADC
Urban/Rural intersection delineation	Signage and road marking improvement	ADC
Walnut Ave intersection	Traffic Signal installation	Waka Kotahi

Road Safety Promotion Projects

Focus Area	Project	Description	Timeline	Lead Agency
Alcohol	Community Alcohol Action Plan (CAAP)	This alcohol campaign promotes sober driving, getting home safely and making responsible choices.	Summer	ACADS
Alcohol	Driving Whilst Impaired (DWI)	A group evening programme where participants explore why do people drink and drive and how to prevent it.	Ongoing	ACADS
Cycling	Bike Ready	Promote cycle skills training opportunities. Via Social Media	Feb 2022	ADC
Driver Licencing/Training	AA Mobile Licencing Unit	Bring in learner licencing unit for disadvantaged students in schools.	Ongoing	ADC
Driver Licencing/Training	Community Driver Mentor Programme (CDMP)	Organise mentors for young drivers to gain experience driving on the road	Ongoing	ADC
Driver Licencing/Training	Leading Learners	Practical driving course for learners in a controlled safe environment	Mar 2022	ADC
Driver Licencing/Training	RYDA	Road Safety Education course for all year 12-13 students	Jun 2022	ADC
Driver Licencing/Training	Staying Safe	Refresher driving course for senior drivers	Ongoing	Age Concern
Drug	Drug Driving Campaign	Promote safe drug driving with Waka Kotahi resource	ТВС	ADC
Intersection	Intersection Safety Campaign	Promote intersection safety awareness via local newspapers, social media, billboards etc.	Autumn	ADC

Motorcycle	Motorcycle Awareness Month (MAM)	Raise motorcycle safety awareness. Promote Ride Forever programme and its trainers	Nov 2021	ACC
Speed	Safer Travel Speed Campaign	Promote safer travel speed with Waka Kotahi resources. Via local newspapers, social media, billboards etc.	Summer	ADC
Speed	Winter Safety Campaign	Broadcast winter safety driving via radio. Distribute winter safety merchandise.	Winter	ADC
Walking	Safe Walking	Promote safe walking with Waka Kotahi resources. Via Social Media	Jan 2022	ADC
Distraction, Fatigue, Restraints	Radio Collaboration with other Councils	Provide road safety messages to the community via radio advertisements. "A safer driving message from your local Council"	Ongoing	ADC

Enforcement

Focus Area	Description	Timeline	Lead Agency
Alcohol/drugs, speed, restraints, dangerous and careless driving and high-risk drivers	Police enforcement focus on the fatal five offences in addition to other trauma promoting offences.	Ongoing	Police



Ashburton District Road Safety Co-ordinating Committee Terms of Reference

Purpose and Scope

The Ashburton District Road Safety Co-ordinating Committee (ADRSCC) is a community committee, administered by the Ashburton District Council. It is recognised by all participants that to effectively address road safety issues in Ashburton District it will require an integrated combination of engineering, education, and enforcement approaches and initiatives. The committee has, since its inception in 1995, worked collaboratively to promote this.

In undertaking its functions the ADRSCC is to consider road safety matters as they relate to all roads in the Ashburton District, including State Highways, and to all users of these roads.

The ADRSCC should also consider road safety matters as they relate to neighbouring territorial authority areas, the Canterbury region and New Zealand as a whole when more integrated approaches are considered beneficial to the promotion of road safety.

Vision: Ashburton District has safe roads, roadsides and road users which contribute to an ongoing reduction in injuries and fatalities on our roads.

Membership

Membership of the ADRSCC consists of representatives from the following agencies / organisations. Each of the agencies / organisations will endeavour to have at least one representative on the ADRSCC at any one time.

- Ashburton District Council
 - 3 Councillors plus the Mayor (ex officio)
 - Council Roading Officers (including the Graduate Engineer Roading)
- New Zealand Transport Agency
- New Zealand Police
- ACC
- ACADS
- NZ Automobile Association
- Mid Canterbury Principals' Association
- FENZ
- South Canterbury Road Safety Co-ordinating Committee

The quorum will be representatives of not less than half the member agencies, with at least one Ashburton District Council elected member present.

- Committee membership is not limited to the above agencies and may include membership from other agencies, organisations or skilled individuals if it is considered by the Committee that they will contribute to achieving the purpose of the District's Road Safety Strategy. Additional members need to be approved by majority vote by the Committee.
- Committee membership will continue until such time as any member wishes to resign, and in that case that member can nominate another person from their agency in their place.
- All members must agree to support the terms of reference.



Key Actions and Functions of the ADRSCC

The ADRSCC will undertake the following core functions to contribute to achieving the Committee's vision: Support and encourage education programmes that promote 'Road to Zero' within Ashburton District.

- Support and encourage visible policing campaigns that have a road safety focus.
- Work collaboratively to prepare an annual Road Safety Action Plan.
- Ensure the efficient and effective delivery of projects and initiatives included in the Road Safety Action Plan.
- Raise the profile of road safety initiatives within member organisations and the wider community.
- Provide networking and information sharing opportunities with regular reporting by member organisations on their projects and priorities.
- Advocate for improved road safety both in the district and nationally.

District Road Safety Action Plan

The Ashburton District Road Safety Action Plan is prepared annually by the ADRSCC and identifies the local road safety goals and actions the Committee will focus on for the year.

The Action Plan details links with the goals and priorities of the 'Road to Zero' strategy and local priorities identified by the ADRSCC. Additional priorities in the Road Safety Action Plan may be added by the Committee. Goals and priorities will be reviewed at least every two years.

The goals of the current Ashburton District Road Safety Plan are:

- 1) A reduction in the number of casualties from crashes involving 16-25 year old drivers and passengers
- 2) A reduction in the number of fatal and serious casualties from crashes involving alcohol or drug impaired drivers
- 3) A reduction in the number of fatal and serious casualties from speed related crashes
- 4) A reduction in the number of fatal and serous casualties from crashes at intersections
- 5) A reduction in the number of motorcyclists killed and seriously injured.
- 6) A reduction in death and serious casualties from lack of restraint, impairment, distraction, speed and fatigue.

Meetings

- The Committee will meet four times a year at the Ashburton District Council. Meetings will generally be open to the public. (A section may be included on an agenda for items that would be reasonably expected to be considered with the public excluded.)
- The Committee will be chaired by one of the Council elected members. In the current term, Cr Lynette Lovett is the appointed Chair.
- In the absence of a Council elected member, the Committee will be chaired by the Roading Manager.
- All Committee members have full voting rights.
- Council's Standing Orders will not apply to this Committee.
- Recommendations for agenda items are invited from Committee members no later than 7 days before the date of the meeting.
- Committee decisions and activities are reported through Council.
- Technical officer and administration support will be provided by Council's Infrastructure Services Group and Governance Team including notice of meeting to members, agenda preparation and minutes. Agendas will be circulated not less than 5 days before the meeting.

Date Adopted: 22 November 2018

Terms of reference reviewed and updated on 4 May 2021