

Ashburton District Road Safety Co-ordinating Committee Minutes



Date: 3 September 2024
Venue: Wakanui Room, Te Whare Whakatare, 2 Baring Square East, Ashburton
Time: 9:30am

1 Welcome and Apologies

That apologies for absence be received from Lucy Mehrstens (Road Safety – South Canterbury), David Scarlett (NZTA), Lesley Symington (Safer Mid Canterbury) and Shane Cochrane (NZ Police) and Mayor Neil Brown for lateness.

Richard Wilson/John Skevington

Carried

Present:

Neil Brown	Mayor	James Long	Waka Kotahi
Liz McMillan	ADC Deputy Mayor (Chair)	Craig Chambers	Waka Kotahi
Phill Hooper	ADC Councillor	Andrae Gold	ACADS
Richard Wilson	ADC Councillor	Steve Ochsner	FENZ
John Skevington	Automobile Association	Neil Simons	Principal Association
Jim Crouchley	Ia Ara Aotearoa/Transporting NZ		

In attendance:

Mark Chamberlain	Roading Manager	Carol McAtamney	Governance Support Officer
Georgie Wilson	Road and Safety Technician		

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 June 2024, be taken as read and confirmed.

Phill Hooper/Richard Wilson

Carried

4 Correspondence

Nil

5 Reports/Agency Updates

5.1 Ashburton District Road Safety

- Following a recent accident, improvements have been made at the Staveley Store/Arundel Rakaia Gorge road intersection. Road signage has been updated and the intersection has been changed from a give way to a stop.
- Advertising/promotion on how to correctly use median strips has recently been undertaken by NZTA. ADC to also promote through their social media channels.

Neil Brown joined the meeting at 9.45am

5.2 Automobile Association

- Funding for roadside breath testing along with the introduction of drug testing has been increased.
- It was noted that the south end approach to the Ashburton bridge has large potholes that require attention.
- The announcement from NZTA regarding funds allocated for the second Ashburton bridge requires more clarity as to who is paying for what.

5.3 ACADS Report

- A community workshop for the 2024/25 summer safety road campaign is to be held on 17 September.

5.4 Waka Kotahi/NZTA

- Programme for upcoming NLTP 2024-27 is currently being considered.
- Less funding has been allocated for safety promotion.
- Work on repairing the potholes through the Tinwald corridor was put on hold until the completion of the traffic light project. Permanent repairs have been included in the upcoming work schedule.
- Structural asphalt repairs on SH1 from Moore Street intersection to the bridge have been scheduled.
- It was noted that since the Rakaia weigh station has been operational one truck had been stickered – a query was made as to what was non-compliant with the vehicle?

5.5 FENZ (Circulated as a separate document)

- A report detailing statistics of FENZ activity throughout the district was circulated for members information.

Ia Ara Aotearoa/Transporting NZ

- Have written to Waka Kotahi to express their concerns that there are no provisions for either a deacceleration or acceleration ramp for trucks to get in and out on the 2nd Rakaia weigh bridge.

NZ Police

- A verbal update of Police activity was provided

Safer Mid Canterbury

- The Ashburton bike skills park working group are currently in the process of establishing a legal entity or trust so it can apply for funding for the next stages of the project.

6 Next Meeting

The next meeting date is Tuesday 3 December 2024 at 9.30am.

Meeting closed at 10.53am