

Ashburton District Road Safety Co-ordinating Committee Minutes



Date: 7 February 2023
Venue: Council Chamber, 137 Havelock Street, Ashburton
Time: 9:30am

1 Welcome and Apologies

That apologies for absence be received from John Skevington (Automobile Association) and Jim Crouchley, Ia Ara Aotearoa Transporting NZ

Richard Wilson/Phill Hooper

Carried

Present:

Neil Brown	Mayor	Daniel Naude	Road Safety Co-ordinator – South Canterbury
Liz McMillan	ADC Deputy Mayor (Chair)	Lucy Mehrrens	Road Safety Co-ordinator – South Canterbury
Phill Hooper	ADC Councillor	Lesley Symington	Safer Mid Canterbury
Richard Wilson	ADC Councillor	Steve Ochsner	FENZ
John Keenan	Waka Kotahi/NZTA	Steve Burgerhout	NZ Police
David Scarlett	Waka Kotahi/NZTA	Shane Cochrane	NZ Police
Andrae Gold	ACADS	Sean Nilsson	
Neil Simons	Principals Association		

In attendance:

Mark Chamberlain	Roading Manager	Carol McAtamney	Governance Support Officer
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2 Notification of Extraordinary Business

Nil.

4 Correspondence

Nil

5 Reports/Agency Updates

5.1 Ashburton District Road Safety

An update on the progress of the learn to ride cycling space to be developed on Council land, that is part of the Walking and Cycling Strategy action plan, was requested.

- South Canterbury District Road Safety

Advised that the Mid/South Canterbury areas (Ashburton to Waitaki) have formed a collaborative group and are working together supporting each other with consistent messaging, events and bringing partners together across the regions.

5.2 Waka Kotahi/NZTA

- Kerb block and marker posts were installed to stop people parking on no stopping signs outside Sims Bakery. Disappointing to note that the equipment stolen from. Currently looking at alternative deterrents.

- SH1/Tinwald corridor improvement – Waka Kotahi and KiwiRail have undertaken to better coordinate work programmes than happened with the Walnut Avenue intersection improvements. Project is to go out for tender in May.
- Mayor has arranged a meeting with local interested parties and Waka Kotahi to once again reiterate safety concerns of proposed location of southbound weigh bridge station. It is hoped that there will be detailed plans for the station available for the on-site visit.
- Footpath outside Opuke hot pools working well. Speed limit has been recommended for a reduction, which is expected to be confirmed later in the year.

5.5 Ira Ara Aotearoa – Transporting NZ

- Concerns raised regarding access to the Tinwald effluent dump site. It was acknowledged that this has flaws and a new conceptual design to enable turns to be made is currently being worked on. Council manages the site on behalf of Ecan and will be making the changes.

6 Terms of Reference – updated for the current term

The terms of reference have been updated to reflect the changes from the 2022 Local Body Elections and to the membership group.

Amendment:

- Remove wording ‘In the current term, Cr Lynette Lovett is the appointed Chair’
That the terms of reference incorporating the above amendment be received and adopted.

Mayor/Simons

Carried

CoDrivR Demonstration

Rhys Gardner and Claire from CoDrivR joined the meeting to give members a demonstration of the driving simulators that have been installed at Ashburton College and Mt Hutt College.

The simulator tracks lane position, gap selection and indicator use, and drivers can only progress to the next level if they pass the simulated scenarios.

There are also scenarios for open road cornering and the simulations get trickier as more traffic and higher speeds are added.

Nine simulators have been installed in secondary schools in the Mid and South Canterbury area, able to be accessed by nearly 5000 students.

There is a third simulator to be installed in Ashburton with possible locations being investigated, including the library and the YMCA.

6 Next Meeting

The next meeting date is Tuesday 2 May 2023 at 9:30am.

Meeting closed at 11.28am