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Road2Zero Steering Committee Meeting

held on 20 February 2020 at 10.30am in Civic Room 2, Melton Civic Centre

Present: Cr Lara Carli, Mayor
Cr Sophie Ramsey, Councillor
Kate McCluskey, Acting Coordinator Social Planning and Wellbeing
Tom Lay, Senior Traffic and Transport Engineer
Jan Webb, Road and Community Safety Officer
Chris Stuhldreier, Sergeant, Victoria Police
Emile Caggiati, Sergeant, Victoria Police
Alan Nguyen, Area Coordinator, Fit to Drive Foundation
Amanda Venda, Community Road Safety Coordinator, VicRoads
Kim Leech, L2P Project Officer Melton/Moorabool, Djerriwarrh Community and Education Services

Chairperson: Cr Lara Carli, Mayor

1. Welcome

Chairperson welcomed all attendees to the meeting and proceeded with Acknowledgment of Country. *'Melton City Council acknowledges the Traditional Owners of this land, the people of the Kulin Nations, and pays respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.'*

2. Apologies

Matthew Wilson, Manager Community Planning
Kerry Walton, Traffic and Transport Coordinator
Jamaica Barrientos, Senior Youth Project Officer
Leanne Abdullah, Community Road Safety Coordinator, VicRoads
George Greaves, Member of Victims of Road Trauma Support and Community Representative
Karen Robinson, North West Metro Regional Coordinator, Road Trauma Support Services Victoria
Sam Chebib, Senior Development Manager, Lend Lease
Liz Pace, Community Representative

3. Declaration of interests and/or conflict of interests

Nil.

4. Confirmation of minutes of previous meeting

Noted

Minutes of the Road2Zero Steering Committee meeting held on 21 November 2019 were adopted by Council at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 3 February 2020.

5. Business Arising

5.1 T Lay reported there is no further update from VicRoads regarding the Hopkins and Boundary Road intersection. C Stuhldreier noted his concern that there is a very real risk of a fatal accident at this intersection.



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Action

T Lay to continue liaising with VicRoads regarding the plan for Hopkins Rd/Boundary Rd intersection, and provide updates to the Committee where relevant.

- 5.2 Cr Carli noted the lights in Hume Drive are now fully functional. T Lay is still waiting for an update from Powercor regarding the Abey Road lights.

Action

T Lay to provide updates to the Committee regarding the lights in Abey Road.

- 5.3 J Webb reported that Council-funded child restraint fittings will be first offered to residents that are least likely to access the service. A Venda discussed the free restraint fitting service offered by KidSafe and suggested that Council's Community Activation and Learning team look in to hosting a session. Cr Ramsey suggested targeting young parents through Youth Services and Hope Street.

Action

J Webb to contact the Community Activation and Learning team to discuss the opportunity to host a KidSafe free restraint fitting and to make contact with Youth Services and Hope Street when sessions are planned.

- 5.4 J Webb reported that Taylors Hill Village has been noted as a potential location for future Safer City Day events.
- 5.5 J Webb discussed that two Community Road Safety Forums are proposed for 2020 (dates yet to be confirmed).
- 5.6 J Webb reported that Rider Aware stickers are sold in a set therefore no discount applies for the purchase only of the side door mirror stickers.

6. General Business

6.1 Community Road Safety Forum

J Webb noted the date of the next Community Road Safety Forum is yet to be confirmed.

Action

J Webb to notify the Committee when a date of the next Forum is confirmed.

6.2 Restraint fitting activity

J Webb noted that a free restraint fitting and check service will be provided as part of Council's Harmony Day event on Saturday 14 March 2020.

6.3 Senior Drivers Expo

J Webb noted that a Senior Drivers Expo will be held at the Melton Library and Learning Hub on Saturday 20 June 2020. The program is being delivered in partnership with RoadSafe Westgate. J Webb encouraged Committee members to promote the Expo through their networks.

6.4 Reports

6.4.1 Youth Services

Nil.

6.4.2 Victoria Police

C Stuhldreier reported there was no change in the number of fatal collisions between 2018 and 2019. Serious injury collisions dropped by 27.7 per cent while other injury collisions increased by 53.4 per cent. Vehicle impounds increased by 44.4 per cent.

C Stuhldreier noted the fall in serious injury collisions and stated that partnerships with local and state government agencies are invaluable in mitigating road trauma.

C Stuhldreier asked whether the road surface outside MacPherson Park will be improved to deter hoon activity. T Lay noted that these works will take place as part of the upgrades to MacPherson Park.

6.4.3 VicRoads

A Venda reported the VicRoads Community Road Safety Grants for 2020-2021 are now open and will close on Wednesday 11 March 2020. A Venda provided an update on recruitment of L2P program staff and appointments. A Venda asked if the Committee can share the VicRoads Community Road Safety Grants program guidelines to their networks.

Action

J Webb to send the VicRoads Community Road Safety Grants program guidelines to the Committee to share with their networks.

6.4.4 Community Safety Advisory Committee

Nil.

6.4.5 Traffic and Transport

T Lay had no further items to discuss.

Cr Ramsey requested that a report be presented to the Committee regarding improvements that are being considered to address hoon hot spots in the City of Melton.

Action

T Lay to action the request from Cr Ramsey to provide a report.

6.4.6 Victims of Road Trauma Support (VORTS)

Nil.

6.4.7 TAC L2P (Learner Driver Program)

K Leech reported that:

- TAC L2P continues to attract mentors and drivers, with 162 drivers' licences granted since the inception of the program
- Statistics for December 2019 to February 2020 – 42 learners on the road, 4 licences, 427 drive hours and 30 active mentors. There have been 162 licences achieved since the inception of the program. There are 14 learners on the waitlist
- The TAC L2P Steering Committee will welcome new members for 2020
- Djerriwarrh Community and Education Services (DC&ES) TAC L2P team are updating the vehicles in Melton and Moorabool
- TAC L2P mentors will attend a session on Child Safe Standards in April 2020
- Transport Accident Commission (TAC) are funding a mentor counselling service. Mentors can access up to three phone calls per year



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6.5 School Programs

6.5.1 Fit2Drive

A Nguyen reported there have been five Fit2Drive bookings in City of Melton for 2019-2020. Melton Secondary College, Kurunjang Secondary College, Catholic Regional College (CRC) Melton, and Melton Specialist School completed the program in 2019. A further program will run at CRC Melton on 17 April 2020.

6.5.2 Road Smart

L Abdullah was not present however A Venda provided some Road Smart promotional resources and encouraged the Committee to promote the program through their networks.

6.5.3 Looking After Our Mates (LAOM)

A Nguyen reported three LAOM bookings are confirmed in the City of Melton.

A Nguyen noted that the program is free to schools, funded by VicRoads through RoadSafe Westgate. Bookings are currently being secured for the remainder of the 2019-2020 financial year and the 2020-2021 financial year for schools, sporting clubs or community groups.

6.5.4 Be Prepared

K Leech shared that the 'Be Prepared' road safety session is booked for VCAL students at Djerriwarrh Community and Education Services for 19 May 2020.

7. Other Business

K McCluskey shared that the Safe City, Proud Communities Plan draft is nearing completion. A meeting invitation will be sent for a joint meeting involving members of both the Community Safety Advisory Committee and the Road2Zero Steering Committee to provide feedback on the draft plan.

J Webb noted that TAC are interested in attending a future committee meeting. The Committee agreed that TAC be invited to the next meeting.

Action

J Webb to invite TAC to the next meeting.

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for 26 May 2020.

9. Close of Business

The meeting closed at 12.30pm.