

**Motorcycle Safety Working Group – Meeting 3
Wednesday 24 September, 2014**

MINUTES AND ACTIONS

Agenda Item	Discussion	Agreed Action
1. Welcome and Introductions	<p>Present: Martin Crane (Chair), Peter Roche (MAIB), Shaun Lennard (TMC), Craig Hoey, Anne-Maree Mills, Yasmin Maskiell, Neil Spark, Karen Kean, Simon Hryczyszyn (TMC), Paul Bullock and John Wallander (motorcycle representatives)</p> <p>Special Attendance: Hon. Rene Hidding MP, Minister for Infrastructure</p> <p>Apologies: Peter Hubble, Janice Miller, Jonathan McGuffie</p> <p>Minutes: Ashlea Carr</p> <p>NOTE: The Minister attended the first half of the meeting, leaving at 2.30pm. The agenda was set aside, with items 4 and 7 discussed first to allow discussion on these topics with the Minister.</p>	
2. Minutes	Minutes of the previous meeting held on 23 July 2014 accepted.	
3. Action Items	MAIB to provide further data on claims for licence types, particularly novice and returning riders	Complete – see item 6.
	Shaun Lennard and Janice Miller to undertake drive along Tasman Highway to confirm treatments and locations	Complete – see item 5.
	Full list of treatment types and locations to be presented at August RSAC meeting and to Working Group	Complete – see item 5.
	Continue to liaise with Victoria regarding their motorcycle training course (on-going)	Complete – see item 4.
	A jurisdictional comparison to be done on current motorcycle courses and costs	Complete – see item 4.
	Scope of consultant’s work to be circulated out of session	Complete.
	Fact Sheet on Power Assisted Pedal Cycles to be circulated out of session	Complete.
	TMC to continue to liaise with Road Safety to keep messages in motorcycle safety brochures consistent	On-going.
	Department of State Growth to partner with MAIB to assist in TMC web development	On-going.
	TMC to provide information on clubs that run ride days at Baskerville/Symmons Plains	On-going.
4. Training	A high level outline of Victoria’s proposed pre-learner motorcycle training model was circulated and discussed. The model involves off-road and on-road training components, with three ‘check rides’ to provide the learner with feedback. It was agreed that there is merit to this model, but we need to consider it in a Tasmanian setting. The consultant’s scope of work is broad enough to incorporate the VIC model and other ideas. Money from the Road Safety Levy could also be used to subsidise the course.	<p>More formal discussion to be had with VIC on proposed course. Chair to write to VIC to get more information.</p> <p>Information to be provided to TMC on learner pass rates.</p>

	<p>The procurement process has begun to engage a consultant, with a possible start date of 1 July 2015. The consultant may be engaged for up to three stages, with the option for us to opt out after stage one.</p> <p>An update was given on the Hazard Perception Test (HPT) for car and motorcycle learners. Both vehicles face the same hazards; however, motorcycles face a few more in addition. If a national HPT is created, TAS could potentially tap into this.</p>	<p>Procurement process to be finalised and consultant engaged.</p> <p>Chair to continue to update Group on this issue.</p>
5. Great Eastern Drive Infrastructure Improvements	<p>The Minister and RSAC have approved the recommendation to allocate \$300K from the Road Safety Levy to fund motorcycle safety improvements, with \$101,700 of this going toward the Great Eastern Drive. These treatments will be conducted between October 2014-April 2015. The possibility of installing treatments in the Sheffield area was also discussed, as this area has a high motorcycle crash rate.</p>	<p>MAIB to provide crash data on roads in and out of Sheffield over the last 3 years to pinpoint key problem areas. Analysis to be done on this data to present at future meeting.</p>
6. Education	<p>The 'Share the Road' advertising campaign was discussed. The campaign is targeted at vulnerable road users with the aim to lessen casualties. The campaign is also looking to target motorcyclists specifically; however, it was agreed that the message needs to come from the right person. The idea of portraying all road users as a 'family' also has merit.</p> <p>The Group also considered a paper analysing motorcycle crash and claims data. The key groups to target are now known and education initiatives can be developed. It was also noted that the 'fragility factor' can contribute to fatalities among older age cohorts.</p>	<p>TMC to continue to liaise with Neil Spark regarding ideas and concepts for the campaign.</p> <p>Data to be revisited when the training course is implemented.</p>
7. Novice Driver Speed Limits	<p>The Group discussed the appropriateness of extending the Government's election commitment to increase the speed limit for learner and P1 motorcycle riders. The advice from the TMC representatives was that it is too risky to do this until we see a decrease in novice rider crash rates. The speed limits for novice car and motorcycle riders will therefore be different, as the speed limit increase will not apply to learner motorcyclists.</p> <p>An increased speed limit for novice car drivers is proposed to be implemented in March 2015. The OPC has advised that changing legislation to allow this will be a complex task which may not be achievable.</p>	<p>Speed limit increases for novice motorcycle riders will be considered when the new training course is implemented and crash rates reduce.</p> <p>LTSP to develop an updated Minute to Minister with the new path forward.</p>
8. Next Steps	<p>Liaison with Victoria and finalising the external consultant will be key actions to complete in order to move forward.</p>	
9. Next Meeting	<p>26 November 2014</p>	