

Motorcycle Safety Advisory Council (MSAC)

Minutes of Meeting

5 December 2018

Boardroom, Level 7, Justice Centre, Wellington

Present: Mark Gilbert (Chair), Janice Millman (Deputy Chair), David White, David Golightly, Johan Bosch

Secretariat: Trish Lloyd

Guests: Simon Gianotti, David Keilty, David Jobson, Alec Wilson, Victoria Slade (All ACC)
Stephen Evans, Matthew Stone, Iain McGlinchy (all MOT)

Apologies: Alan Petrie

1.1 Welcome and Introduction

Mark welcomed everyone. Due to officer availability an initial discussion was held on support for MSAC:

Comms and Engagement

There was discussion around the spate of recent fatalities and the consequent media interest. It was agreed that this was difficult for MSAC to respond to and consideration should be given to the Secretariat to have access to a proactive Press and Communications officer to respond to media matters and provide sound bites and messaging recommendations for the Chair (as the contact point for media). It was noted it is important for ACC to respond to media requests, but there is also value in MSAC having a separate voice to speak to and for motorcyclists in these situations.

February/April 2019 Meetings

It was agreed that we use these meetings to further review the MSAC strategy and work programme, using a facilitator.

Action: Simon to identify a resource to assist with facilitating the February session which will review the MSAC strategy and work programme, and liaise with the Chair to formalise the programmes for both dates. (Chair mentioned Maurice Batey who has an ACC contract and has worked with MSAC previously).

Action: Janice to provide an update on the Summit Recommendations for the February meeting, as these need inclusion in future work plans and strategy review.

MSAC Secretariat and Programme Manager

There was a discussion around the lack of a project and/or programme management resource to progress MSAC initiatives and approved Investment Cases. It was said that this role was essential to take forward the work and perhaps should be paid for by the MSL and be responsible for overall management of MSAC's work programme. Support to MSAC had been rescoped in 2017 and the effect of this was to

reduce the project management resource but maintain the Secretariat support. This is evidenced by the worksheet in the Council pack for this meeting that had projects dated 2016 that hadn't been advanced.

Action: It was agreed that the Chair would circulate the description produced a year or so back that covered the full gamut of Secretarial and project management required by the Council- this was drawn from the original document provided to the Chair in 2013. This to be discussed and reviewed by Mark and Simon with a view to identifying and agreeing additional support to MSAC for consideration by ACC and implementation in the New Year.

1.2 Apologies

Apologies were received from Alan Petrie.

1.3 Interests Register

The Interests Register was updated to reflect that Janice is now a member of Tamaki Makaurau Road Safety Reference Group.

1.4 Minutes of August Meeting

The Minutes from the August and October Meetings were ratified as correct.

Moved by Janice Millman; Seconded by David Golightly.

1.5 Media Reports

The Media reports were noted. There were no questions or comments. The AA/Ride Forever joint venture was discussed.

1.6 MSAC Correspondence since October 2018

Correspondence received since the last meeting was noted.

1.7 Member Feedback from External Meetings attended since August

a) Johan Bosch

Central Districts Motorcycle Touring Club Inc in Palmerston North

Received a positive response at this meeting. Half of the 30 attendees had completed a Ride Forever course. Discussed organising free rides for them next year.

MOT Road User Behavioural Reference Group – 29 November 2018

The discussion was wide ranging and included a discussion on demerit points and the apparent inconsistencies between demerit points and fines, eg fines for not wearing a helmet on cycles and motorcycles is the same.

Eight interventions were identified:

1. Raising the minimum age of licencing from 16 to 17
2. Improving drug driving enforcement (highest priority)
3. Re-licencing and re-testing all license holders (lowest priority)
4. Child restraints from 7 to 11 years (3rd equal)
5. Training for all riders of high powered motorcyclists (2nd highest)
6. Legislating the gap between cyclists and motorcyclists (3rd equal)
7. Turning vehicles giving way to pedestrians
8. Increasing penalties

Next steps: Ministerial group meeting in December where they will discuss their ambition, prioritise issues and go through the eight interventions. Public consultation on the strategy will be heard in March and April next year with this being finalised in June/July next year.

NZ Motorcycle Show

- High number of people through the door – over 8,000
- Ride Forever stand well organised and the quizzes were popular
- NZTA had a motorcycle friendly barrier on display
- Supported by Auckland based Ride Forever training providers
- Chris Hurren (Motocap) was there with mannequin showing the five star rating system
- Good discussion around the levy incentive
- Noted that a lot of people are coming back for repeat R4E courses
- Met and had a conversation with Julian Chisnall from NZTA
- Pro Rider have designed a Z-card regarding licenseing progression and Ride Forever courses and approached MSAC for additional funding to print more. MSAC collateral ran out on day one
- In summary, the show was a good opportunity to promote motorcycle safety and the work of MSAC. At future shows MSAC needs its own collateral and its own stand.

Action: Janice and Trish to consider requirements for the next NZ Motorcycle show in terms of stand and collateral including a potential “show kit” for the April meeting.

b) David White

MOT Vehicle Safety Standards Compliance Reference Group – 26 November 2018

The session was described as “ambition setting” and central to fleet servicing. There was a lot of support for big changes to the heavy fleet and a lot of discussion around the light vehicle fleet. There was also support for ABS and traction control on motorcycles. Stronger mandate is needed on PPE rather than the requirement to wear a helmet and instead create enabling regulations to encourage the uptake of new standards and technologies to protect vulnerable road users. For example, PPE take up is faster than upgrading the fleet.

Action: Mark to get VTNZ information regarding motorcycle WOF figures and send to MSAC.

Action: Simon Gianotti to source the literature review on a rider risk rating and send to MSAC.

Action: What international standards are there and what regularity changes being considered on electric motorcycles- especially LAMS bikes etc- currently power to weight is the measurement, whereas an e motorcycle will require torque to weight etc (all MSAC)

c) David Golightly

Patriots Meeting on 27 October

Organised by David Golightly. Simon Gianotti gave a presentation on the levy and how it works. Johan spoke about MSAC, SPOT and Ride and Decide. He challenged the attendees about the club’s apparently low level of participation in Ride Forever and reiterated that as ex-military personnel, they should lead by example. David Golightly spoke about organised rides and the importance of safety briefs.

Canterbury Kickstart 2018

Kickstart is well attended event and therefore provides an effective means of communicating with the motorcycle community.