

Motorcycle Safety Advisory Council (MSAC) meeting minutes

Wednesday 7 December 2017, 8.30am-4.00pm
ACC, Justice Centre, Hilary Room 1 (2.11), Wellington

Present: Mark Gilbert (MG) – Chair, Janice Millman (JM), Jo Buckner (JBU), David Golightly (DGo), Johan Bosch (JBo), David White (DW), Alan Petrie (AP), Simon Gianotti and David Keilty (DK)

Secretariat: Sarah Brocklehurst/Maria Hansard

Visitors: Caroline Carruthers (CC) – Senior Coordinator and Communications Specialist – Road; Robyn Gardener, Programme Manager-Injury Prevention. Vicky Holmes, Ministerial Liaison Advisor and David Allard, ACC Private Secretary

Apologies: There were no apologies.

1.0 Welcome, Updates and Administration

The Council had Council-only time from 8.30am to 9.30am.

1.1 Chair's welcome and overview of agenda for the day

The Chair welcomed Maria Hansard to the meeting and confirmed the Agenda for the day.

1.2 Apologies

There were no apologies.

1.3 Interest Register

MG noted that there were minor typos – MH to action by correction. There were no conflicts disclosed for this meeting.

Action: MH (actioned)

1.4 Correspondence since last meeting

Noted there seemed to be more informed comment coming through.

MG questioned whether a reply had been sent to the individual enquiring about videos and would follow up with Riana F.

Action: MG (RF actioned)

General discussion around the training videos and letting people know what's available.

Action: DK

Interest in inviting Peter Sowter (Sergeant in Charge, Wellington Serious Crash Unit) to the next MSAC meeting on 24th January 2018 and hearing his views on motorcycle safety.

Action: DW

Discussion about correspondence from Denver Chance and the request to review her products. Noted that MSAC (and ACC) are unable to promote or endorse products. Reply advising that she approach suppliers for their endorsement.

Action: MG

1.5 Confirmation of last meeting's minutes

Minutes of the last meeting on 9th August 2017 were accepted as a true and accurate record – **Proposed JM/Seconded JBu.**

1.6 Review of actions and matters arising

Actions from previous minutes were reviewed and updated as below

Previous Actions:

<p>Lane-splitting talks underway with AA. Suggested that AT/ACC via Catherine King & Barney Irvine get together to discuss trial proposal and present back to MSAC.</p> <p>MG to connect with AA to see if they would add their support to work being looked into for lane splitting</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Action: MG</p>
<p>Technology solutions and desktop computer based demonstration to MSAC Council so a decision can be made.</p>	<p>Ride for Ever 2.0 has an online tool. Discussions required to progress it further. Action: JBo/DK</p>
<p>JBo and DW agreed to look at rider safety rating initiative to have an initial discussion and then send around to MSAC Council for thoughts.</p>	<p>Located for the handover from Stu to Simon. SG/JBo/DW to meet and discuss Action: SG</p>

1.7 Environment scan – media and website updates

Paper noted.

1.8 Motorcycle Safety Levy Fund Summary

Paper noted.

1.9 Google Analytics

Paper noted.

2.0 ACC Three Year Investment Programme (Discussion)

An Investment Paper update was given by SG. The spreadsheet/format was now in place. In regards to TRAFINZ – noted the good consistent message. Definitely beneficial but does feel like it is repeating stuff.

There was a suggestion to extend an invitation to Malcolm Alexander (Local Government) to give him a briefing.

Action: SG

SG updated the Council on the restructure and some of the roles within the team.

- SG will be acting Roads Portfolio Manager and maintain his substantive role as Strategy Manager until February 2018.
- NZTA are paying Caroline Carruthers to contract through ACC.
- Emma Powell (Head of Injury Prevention) is back on 2nd February. Isaac Carlson is acting Head of IP in Emma's absence.

2.1 ACC Data Dashboard Update

SG requested feedback and suggested members email him with any changes – he was keen to ensure that it evolved in to something that was useful and wanted.

Some suggestions already put forward:

- JBu was specifically interested in high level charts and trending variances
- Would like monthly and quarterly data
- Total active claims (claims per month)

- Major injuries/long term damage
- Make/Model of bike and cause (speed, alcohol, environment etc)

2.2 ACC – Info on new Minister and IP focus

David Allard and Vicky Holmes updated the Council on ministerial priorities

- Ian Lees-Galloway has a busy portfolio – Workplace Relations and Safety, Immigration and ACC
- Strong recommended that any contact with the Minister go through the Advisers first.
- Will distribute a guide on who does what in Minister's office.
- Noted that MSAC members were accessible to the Minister and were keen to extend an invitation to attend Council meeting, or meet at his office.

2.3 ACC – Around the World

The October/November overview has been delayed due to work load. It will be finalised shortly.

Action: SG

Discussion around inflatable vests for motorcyclists. DK to bring his vest in for a demo.

Action: DK

It was suggested that all the motorcycle related articles be copied out of "Around the World" and added to the shared site.

Action: MH

2.4 ACC – Investment, Comms and Engagement Programme

- DK presented to the meeting the Communications and Engagement Programme which was well received.
JBo requested a copy of the business case for the 25 new routes approved in October.

Action: DK

- JM updated the meeting verbally in regards to the Motor Vehicle Account review.
- There was general discussion about the various forums and given the importance of motorcycle safety to the group it was agreed the minutes would be helpful. Minutes that are taken at other meetings will be forwarded to Council members.

Action: SG

- In regards to the National Road Safety Management SG to raise the circulation of minutes with Kirsty Hewett and request an opportunity to visit and update them on MSAC.

Action: SG

- RG provided an update on Roads and Roadsides. Presentation will be sent to MSAC members. RG creating a Gantt chart that will be dropped in to the shared workspace.

Action: RG/MH

- DK was requested to send to MSAC members the information he holds on working with Australia about rating on safety clothing.

Action: DK

- Invitation for member of MSAC to attend Deakin University in March 2018 – JM asked where this could be found as the information was not public knowledge.
- A pdf would be attached to the minutes (Sarah Campbell).
- RG provided an updated on Roads and Roadsides to MSAC – presentation and overview to be sent to MSAC members with the minutes.

Action: RG/MH

- RG to also send paper that was presented and well received at the Australasian Road Safety Conference on the Motorcycle Road Safety Programme.

Action: RG/MH

- It was agreed to meet with DNA to better understand scope. MH to organise meeting or invitation to MSAC.

Action: MH

- There was discussion around MSACs key stakeholders and who MSAC was trying to reach. There was a suggestion that a workshop might be beneficial.

3.0 MSAC Project Updates – Discussion and Agreement

3.1 Update on Rider Engagement Initiative – Motorcycle Safety Summit and Ride to Decide events

JM updated the Council, noting that she really enjoyed the event.

The Panel recommendations are as follows:

Urban Panel recommendations

1. Mandate the need for a CBTA motorcycle license (with a training component) for moped riders.
2. The Panel supports the upgrading and replacement of the current licensing structure with CBTA in 202 as part of the Safer Journeys Action Plan and recommends the new licensing regime become the new industry standard.
3. Review current industry standards applying to the testing, monitoring and CPD of motor vehicle trainers.
4. MSAC should lead a discussion on creating a “single voice for motorcyclists” to ensure future conversations on motorcycle safety are evidence-based, informed and representative.

5. Work with transport agencies to include guidance on lane splitting in all driver education and training.
6. Education drivers on responsible phone use as part of high profile “zero tolerance” driver training.
7. Campaign against using phones when driving – “your call”
8. Increase the fine from \$80 and 20 demerits to \$400 and 30 demerits.
9. Adapt good practice models to ensure motorcycling becomes a safe and viable commuter options in New Zealand’s cities. In particular consider:
 - Increased parking for motorcycles
 - Specified lanes in-between which motorcyclists can safely lane split, on high volume, popular, motorcycle commuting routes.
10. Auckland Transport’s plans for improving road safety on urban arterials and localised urban routes should be extended and adopted nationally. In particular plans for:
 - Improved road surfaces
 - Reduced roadside hazards
 - Making utility service covers and road markings motorcycle friendly
 - Improved intersection design
 - Improving road geometry and layout
 - Increasing the number of multi-use lanes to increase the safety of lane splitting.

Rural Panel recommendations

1. Create a mandatory level of service (based on the Safer Journeys Motorcycling Guide) in the NZTA’s MoC for high risk motorcycle routes.
2. Establish a dedicated NLTP fund for high risk motorcycle routes to support the improvement of routes management by local authorities.
3. Further enrich crash data by incorporating other sources of information such as health and insurance data.
4. Establish a single reporting tool (phone number or text) for motorcyclists to report hazards or issues with roads).
5. Utilise regular users of high risk motorcycle routes, such as trucks and buses, to monitor road condition and plan maintenance.
6. Regularly audit high risk motorcycle routes for deterioration and, where required, carry out:
 - scrim tests and/or water cutting on road bleed
 - repairs on identified hazards
7. Increase the NZTA Investigative Level on high risk motorcycle routes to help ensure, wherever possible, roads are repaired before serious accidents and injuries occur.
8. The Panel supports the mandating of ABS on motorcycles over 125cc and recommends the monitoring of the benefits of ABS in reducing the number and severity of crashes.
9. Apply a Rider Risk Rating to the motorcycle levy to incentivise the uptake of training.
10. Evaluate Ride Forever training to measure the benefits of the Risk Rating.
11. Extend nationwide, the successful NZ Police compliance initiative of replacing fines with rider training.
12. The Panel supports the Urban Panel’s recommendation on mandating CBTA licensing with an “on road” training component.
13. Extend the category of “vulnerable road users” beyond pedestrians and cyclists to include motorcyclists, for the purpose of road safety, travel demand management and planning.

Shiny Side Up Bike Fest

Quick update received on Shiny Side up. Confirmed details for the fest are:

- Sunday 4 February - The Trafalgar Centre, Nelson - Sunday 4 February
- Saturday 17 February - Claudelands, Hamilton
- Sunday 25 February - Southward Car Museum, Wellington
- Sunday 4 March - Alexandra Park Raceway, Auckland

There was discussion around recommendations under strategic headings. JBU to provide the top three recommendations under the five focus areas. The three top priorities should go to both Shiny Side Up and regional consultations.

Action: JBU

3.2 Update on Rider Safety Rating

Actions remain the same – no update.

3.3 ACC Levy and Application to Bikes or Riders

DK to check the practice of putting bike registrations on hold and what the implications might be.

Action: DK

3.4 Levels of Service Project

Discussion around whether it was possible to cover levies by weaving them in to the Rider Safety Rating.

4.0 Secretariat – Discussion and Agreement

4.1 Update on MSAC Website Performance and Management

5.0 Projects Other – Discussion and Agreement

5.1 Project WIP Update – Summary of all projects and live commitments

Paper noted

5.2 NLTP – Education and advertising Programme – meeting outcomes

Noted – Safer Hands Alliance struggling a bit with NZTA. Note to Lisa (?) and Rachel (?) to find out when it is starting.

Action: MG

5.3 NZTA – MC Comms Opportunity TRAFINZ Conference 2017 – Feedback

5.4 NZTA and Pan agency MC Safety Committees – Update

Noted.

5.5 Single Point of Truth – Data Project Update and Future Plans

Noted – agreed that it needed some further thought. What is next? What info do we think we need to start gathering to better inform STOP 3 and 4? Useful to pull in ACC marketing team to help promote.

5.6 Update on Training Initiative

Noted.

5.7 MSAC/ACC International Engagement Opportunities

General discussion around international engagement opportunities which touched on budget and utilising people that are visiting.
Was also worthwhile for MSAC members to think about who they want to talk with as well – particularly in regards to increasing Trans-Tasman engagement.
SG agreed to talk to Mike Tully regarding willingness and budget.

Action: SG

6.0 Other matters including next meeting date

SG asked MSAC to note that he wouldn't be attending the next meeting as we would be on annual leave.

Brief discussion around Terms of Reference for MSAC and perhaps making them a bit more substantial.

6.1 Next Meeting – Wednesday, 24th January 2018