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## 1. WELCOME, ATTENDANCE APOLOGIES

### Attendees:

Mr Scott Tilyard, Chair  
Mr Paul Bullock, President, Tasmanian Motorcycle Council (TMC)  
Ms Michelle Harwood, Executive Director, Tasmanian Transport Association (TTA)  
Ms Alison Hetherington, President, Tasmanian Bicycle Council (TBC)  
Mr Jonathan Higgins, Assistant Commissioner, Tasmania Police  
Dr Ian Johnston, Road Safety Expert  
Mr Paul Kingston, CEO, Motor Accidents Insurance Board (MAIB)  
Mr Dion Lester, CEO, Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT)  
Mr Mark Mugnaioni, CEO, Royal Automobile Club of Tasmania (RACT)  
Mr Gary Swain, Deputy Secretary Transport Services, Department of State Growth (State Growth)

### Observers:

Mr Martin Crane, General Manager Road User Services, State Growth  
Ms Ange Green, Manager RSAC Secretariat, State Growth  
Mr Craig Hoey, Manager Road Safety, State Growth  
Mr Luke Manhood, Inspector, Tasmania Police  
Mr Andy McShane, Sergeant, Tasmania Police  
Mr Newton Wiseman, Senior Policy Officer, State Growth  
Ms Jordan Young, Graduate Policy Officer, State Growth

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## 1. WELCOME

Scott Tilyard, Chair of the Road Safety Advisory Council (RSAC) welcomed members and observers to the 45<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Road Safety Advisory Council (RSAC).

Michael Ferguson, Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, attended the meeting to welcome Scott to the role of Chair and to discuss road safety with the Council.

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## 2. MINUTES AND ACTIONS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

RSAC members endorsed the minutes and noted the actions from the 18 May 2021 RSAC meeting.

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## 3. MOTORCYCLE GRADUATED LICENSING SYSTEM (GLS) REVIEW - PRESENTATION

RSAC noted the presentation by Emily Morrison in relation to crash data for motorcyclists in the context of the Motorcycle Graduated Licensing Review. RSAC discussed the comparison between the driver GLS and the motorcycle GLS. RSAC further noted the jurisdictional

comparison and that there is no agreed national framework. State Growth will continue the review and present findings and recommendations to RSAC at its 16 November 2021 meeting.

#### **Actions**

- State Growth to present findings and recommendations of the Motorcycle GLS Review to RSAC at its 16 November 2021 meeting.
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#### **4. ROAD SAFETY SPIs – PRESENTATION**

RSAC noted the presentation about the development of Key Safety Performance Indicators for the Towards Zero – Tasmanian Road Safety Strategy 2017-2026 and the Towards Zero Action Plan 2020-2024. RSAC discussed the proposed intermediate measures and agreed that the issues to measure are appropriate but that measures need further refining. RSAC agreed to consider the inclusion of post-crash response as an additional SPI. Members also discussed the collection of data for the SPIs. State Growth will come back to RSAC with options for SPIs, identified data sources and the cost for each option.

#### **Actions**

- State Growth to come back to RSAC with options for SPIs, identified data sources and the cost for each option.
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#### **5. REDUCED SPEED LIMITS AROUND EMERGENCY VEHICLES – RULE 79A**

The RSAC endorsed the revised proposal for a change to Rule 79A of the Road Rules requiring drivers to slow to 40km/h when passing a stationary or slow-moving emergency vehicle displaying a flashing red, blue or magenta light to include roadside assistance service vehicles and to require drivers to slow to 40km/h on all roads, unless it is not practicable to do so in the circumstances. RSAC further endorsed up to \$250 000 funding from the Road Safety Levy to develop a comprehensive community education campaign and campaign evaluation.

RACT offered to contribute to the public education effort and discussed the possibility of changing their roadside assistance vehicle light colour if necessary.

#### **Actions**

- State Growth to liaise with RACT regarding public education for the change to Rule 79A.
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#### **6. TASMANIAN SAFE SYSTEM INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY – PROPOSED ROAD PROJECTS**

RSAC endorsed the Tasmanian Safe System Infrastructure Strategy (TSSIS), noting the identified projects for delivery by the Levy. The Strategy identifies three primary road networks – the high speed, high volume network, the State rural road network and the Local Government road network. The TSSIS identifies roads in the State Rural Road Network that require additional support from the Levy. Small scale infrastructure projects in the Local Government road network will also benefit from the Vulnerable Road User Program and Safer Rural Roads Program grants funding.

The Tasmanian Bicycle Council requested information on the shoulder width on the Tasman Highway.

#### **Actions**

- State Growth to provide information on the shoulder width on Tasman Highway works.
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### **7. AUTOMATED SPEED ENFORCEMENT – UPDATE – TENDER STATUS AND BCR**

RSAC discussed progress on the tender for new speed cameras, noting that the DPFEM infringement adjudication system is at the end of life and an alternative solution has been identified. The tender for mobile speed cameras is due to go to market in late August 2021. The overall benefit-to-cost ratio for the speed cameras is 9.8 (excluding fine revenue) over three years. RSAC discussed the number of cameras in the program in the first two years, noting that a program of eight cameras will be implemented if funding becomes available. RACT indicated its support for more cameras as soon as possible. RSAC discussed multi-function camera capability as being desirable.

RSAC discussed communications around the implementation of the cameras. Ian Johnston also discussed governance and the need for an independent complaints mechanism.

#### **Actions**

- State Growth to provide information on the outcome of the tender process to RSAC out-of-session when the tender closes.
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### **8. AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT ROAD SAFETY PROGRAM – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

RSAC members noted progress made on projects funded under tranche 1 of the Australian Government Road Safety Program, Tasmania's expected allocation under tranche 2 and 3 and the notional allocation under tranche 4 and 5, including Tasmania's co-contribution and preliminary identified projects.

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### **9. E-SCOOTERS**

RSAC noted that State Growth has provided advice to the Minister recommending a comprehensive regulatory framework to permit e-scooters and other personal mobility devices to be used on certain public infrastructure including footpaths, shared paths and local roads. Subject to the Minister's approval, the recommended amendments to the *Road Rules 2019, Vehicle and Traffic (Driver Licensing and Vehicle Registration) Regulations 2021* and *Traffic (Compliance and Enforcement) regulations 2017*, are likely to be implemented by summer 2021.

RSAC discussed weight restrictions, speed restrictions and the importance of determining how data will be collected to measure injuries on these devices, possibly through police crash reports and hospital admissions. It was noted that councils could request that data be shared by commercial providers.

#### **Actions**

- State Growth to report back to RSAC on data collection to measure injuries from crashes on e-scooters and personal mobility devices.
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## **10. EVALUATION OF MAIB FUNDING OF RSAC**

The evaluation of MAIB funding of RSAC education and enforcement activities was provided to members. Paul Kingston discussed identified improvements and new measures being included in the MOU between DPFEM, State Growth and MAIB, which is currently being finalised. Additional discretionary funding of up to \$400 000 per annum will be made available for extra road safety activities to increase road safety performance. Progress against the new KPIs in the MOU will be reported at the Education and Enforcement Sub-Committee meetings.

### **Actions**

- State Growth to report progress against the KPIs in the MOU at the quarterly Education and Enforcement Sub-Committee meetings.
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## **11. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SELECT COMMITTEE INQUIRY INTO ROAD SAFETY**

RSAC noted the Legislative Council Select Committee into Road Safety in Tasmania, with a closing date for submissions being 27 August. The Terms of Reference are broad with the Committee 'inquiring into and reporting upon ways in which to improve road safety in Tasmania'.

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## **12. CHAIR'S REPORT**

RSAC noted the Chair's report including Ministerial approvals, media coverage and meetings attended in the last quarter.

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## **13. TOWARDS ZERO QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT TO 30 JUNE 2021**

RSAC noted the Quarterly Progress Report to 30 June 2021, under the *Towards Zero - Tasmanian Road Safety Strategy 2017-2026*.

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## **14. CORRESPONDENCE BY EXCEPTION**

RSAC noted correspondence for the last quarter.

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## **15. PROGRESS REPORT: EDUCATION AND ENFORCEMENT SUB COMMITTEE (EESC)**

RSAC noted the Education and Enforcement Sub Committee's progress report. RSAC discussed the North West Football League sponsorship and the commitment shown by the League in promoting the anti-drink driving message to young males. RSAC also discussed the new low-level speed campaign which has two phases focussing on consequences and then enforcement to coincide with the roll out of the new speed cameras. It was noted that some scene setting editorials will occur prior to the launch of the campaign.

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## **16. TASMANIA POLICE TRAFFIC OUTPUTS REPORT**

RSAC noted the Tasmania Police Traffic Outputs Report.

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## **17. OTHER BUSINESS**

The Tasmanian Transport Association acknowledged the work of State Growth in producing the Road Torque series, particularly in relation to the SafeT360 truck and heavy vehicle safety.