



# LOCAL GOVERNMENT TRANSPORT ADVISORY PANEL

## MINUTES

Meeting to be held Friday, 30 May 2014 from 10am to 12pm  
in the Eyre Peninsula Meeting Room, Local Government House, 148 Frome Street, Adelaide

**Chairperson:** Mayor Brian Hurn

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The purpose of the meeting is to undertake consideration of the 2014/15 Special Local Roads Program funding submissions from regional and metropolitan Councils.

1. Welcome

In attendance

- Mayor Brian Hurn, Barossa Council
- Mayor Kym McHugh, Alexandrina Council
- Peter Ilee, SA Local Government Grants Commission
- Wally Iasiello, City of Port Adelaide Enfield
- Phil Lawes, Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure
- David Hitchcock, Local Government Association of SA

2. Apologies

- Don Hogben, Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure

3. Review minutes from previous meeting

- The Panel adopted the minutes from 17 May 2013 as a true and correct record with an amendment that Don Hogben was in attendance not Mark Elford.

4. Recap of HDS findings on review of SLRP Database

- The Panel noted the report.

5. SLRP Database scores and adjustments to application form (HDS Report)

- The Panel noted the additional report tabled at the meeting that provided historical information on continuing projects and information about how the road prioritisation database produces the prioritisation scores.

- David Hitchcock advised that he will be going on a regional road trip in June and the Panel agreed that it may be worth providing some information to Councils about the prioritisation database and how applications for the Special Local Roads Program are processed along with the expectations the LGTAP has of Councils when completing their applications. Metropolitan Councils will also need to be provided with the same information.
6. Regional and Metropolitan SA Local Government Roads Hierarchy
- David Hitchcock advised the Panel of the hierarchy project that has commenced. Further information will be provided to the Panel as the project develops.
7. Recap of the 2013/14 LGTAP allocations to refresh history/understanding of continuing and new projects
- The Panel agreed to continue to fund 'continuing' projects for this funding round
  - The Panel agreed that it would be worthwhile to send a letter to Regional LGAs and the Metropolitan Local Government Group advising the Panel's recommendations for funding and any issues that arose in this meeting.
  - The letter should include a request that Regional LGA's and MLGG keep informed about the status of projects as the status reports the Panel is receiving on occasion indicate that projects have lapsed and are continuing on for a far greater time than originally identified or haven't commenced at all. It may be worth providing Regional LGAs and MLGG with the summary of status and acquittal reports.
  - The letter may also include a request that Councils reaffirm their intention to complete newly funded projects to help avoid Councils cancelling their project shortly after funding is approved.
8. Outstanding issues from 2013/14 requiring action
- The LGA still receives queries from Councils regarding the status of their applications. The Panel discussed sending a letter to the Regional LGAs and the Metropolitan Local Government Group as above.
9. Federal Government Budget 2014
- The Panel discussed the Supplementary Local Road Funding – loss of 2.7 million
  - The Panel also discussed the Freezing of Financial Assistance Grants Indexation from 2014/15
  - The Panel noted the funding status
  - Peter Ilee provided a draft financial report advising the draft figures of what funding is available for SLRP for 2014/15 and how it compares to 2013/14
  - The Panel agreed to keep pushing the message that South Australia is not receiving fair funding in comparison to the rest of the country
10. Status reports on 2013/14 SLRP funded projects
- The Panel noted the status reports summary

- The Panel agreed that it would be beneficial to include an explanation of where a project is at when a Council selects that the project has not commenced on a status report. Contact details fields will also be added to the form to assist with status follow-ups in the future

11. Consideration of 2014/15 SLRP applications

- 55 applications were received for 2014/15 SLRP funding
- The Panel considered all applications received from Regional and Metropolitan Councils
- The Panel agreed to recommend funding of 21 projects at a total of \$10.05m
- The Panel agreed to revisit the recommended funding of projects once the exact funding figures are made available and provided by Peter Ilee
- The Panel agreed that it would revisit the District Council of Yorke Peninsula Clinton Road allocation and the City of Mount Gambier Graham Road application if more funding becomes available
- The Panel agreed that it would be worth while speaking to:
  - the City of Playford regarding the Peachey Road application in respect of what the funding will be used for. Wide footpaths and landscaping is not within the scope of SLRP funding.
  - the District Council of Yorke Peninsula to advise that the full funding amount could not be recommended at this time and the Panel hopes the Council will be able to start the preliminary work for the project with the funding that has been recommended thus far if it is approved

12. Other business

- Nil.

13. Date of next meeting if required

- The Panel agreed that the meeting scheduled for 10 June 2014 is not required.

14. Close