

Local Government Transport Advisory Panel (LGTAP)

Notes of the meeting held 9.30am Monday 23 June 2008 LGA House, Hutt Street Adelaide

Present: Mayor Brian Hurn, Barossa (Chair), Mayor Kym McHugh (Alexandrina), Wally Iasiello (Port Adelaide Enfield), Jane Gascoigne (LGGC), Mark Elford (DTEI), David Hitchcock (LGA)

Mayor Hurn (Chair) welcomed everyone and outlined the purpose of the meeting which was to finalise the 2008/09 Special Local Road Program funding submissions (following the previous meeting of 12 May 2008).

Applications for the Special Local Roads Program (SLRP) for 2008-09 closed on 28 April 2008. 52 submissions seeking funding of \$17.6 million from an expected available pool of \$10.7 million were received.

Notes taken from the 12 May 2008 meeting were received and the following items were discussed.

- Kangaroo Island submissions.
Kangaroo Island Council has advised that they would support withdrawal of the North Coast Road (subject to no loss of priority status considerations by Southern and Hills LGA in subsequent years) and resubmission of the Stokes Bay Road proposal over a four year term. This provides 08/09 year total cost of \$900,000. SLRP funding of \$600,000 and Council contribution of \$300,000
- Loxton Waikerie - Waikerie ,Mindarie Road
Discussion with the Murray and Mallee LGA Executive Officer indicated that the Waikerie, Mindarie Road was a Riverland Road which traverses two Councils, however there are some issues with the road not being supported as a priority by the adjoining Council. It was also noted that the OD4 route was an important road.
- Hold Fast Bay- King Street Bridge
Correspondence has been received from Holdfast Bay thanking the Panel for its considerations. The Metropolitan Strategic Roads Committee have advised that they have recommended to the City of Holdfast Bay that they resubmit the application next year on the basis of 50/50 Council and SLRP funding over a two year period. The Committee noted that this recommendation does not imply the automatic support of the Committee as the new funding application will need to be assessed against others received at the same time.
- Barossa Council - Moppa Road South
The claim for \$75,000 (50% overspend) on the road by Barossa Council has been included in the updated spreadsheet provided to the Panel for the meeting.
- Tea Tree Gully - Greenwith Road
Tea Tree Gully Council has confirmed it will fund the Greenwith Road submission at 50% (\$225,000)

- Adelaide Hills - Sturt Valley Road
Discussions by Mayor Brian Hurn with the CEO and Mayor of Adelaide Hills indicated that they would fund the Sturt Valley Road submission at 50% (\$247,000)
- Database scores - George Street(Norwood) and Oakley Road/McMurtrie Road(Onkaparinga)
The data base scores for the Roads had been rechecked with the scores being George St 29 and Oakley Road/McMurtrie 86. Concern was expressed at the very low score of George st (Norwood) which indicated a very low strategic value.

The Panel then reviewed the road submissions spreadsheet provided and proceeded to consider the allocation of funding recommendations pursuant to the Special Local Roads Program (SLRP).

It was noted that the final quantum of funding available had not yet been advised and this may require some adjustment of final recommendations. If the funding was minor (compared with the expected quantum available) then the historical practice of selecting an appropriate road for “balancing” purposes would be utilised out of session. If the final amount resulted in a material reduction in funding then Newman Road would be removed: if the result was a material increase in funding then Marrabel to Waterloo Road would be added to the projects for recommendation.

The Panel also reaffirmed that

1. further work is required to develop guidelines for LGTAP and Councils on standard financial and project costs which could be included in the application details. This should particularly address the application of administration costs.
2. further consideration will also need to be given on the application of Financial Sustainability concepts around capacity of Councils to maintain funding and maintenance of long term projects; this might be achieved by finalising the “second half” or engineering component of the roads data base to assist with considering the funding applications. This component is not currently active within the data base process and an application to the LGA Research and Development Scheme will be made to effect this.
3. only one application for any road will be considered and Councils must submit their funding applications to the “primary” region they are constituted to be a member of
4. it is not appropriate to provide funding over extended time frames eg 10 years and where possible Councils will be encouraged to reduce funding requests to more appropriate time frames eg 3 to 5 years .

It was agreed Mayor Brian Hurn (Chair) will contact Regional LGA Executive Officers to update them on the considerations of the LGTAP.

Meeting closed 11.30 am