

CUMBRIA ROAD SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

Tuesday 12 February 2008
Windermere Room, Skirsgill, Penrith

MINUTES OF MEETING

Present:	Rob Terwey	Chair of the CRSP Executive
	Bob Baldwin	Highways Agency
	Jim Smith	Cumbria Highways
	Kevin Tea	Chair of the Publicity sub group
	Chris Broadbent	Road Safety Co-ordinator.
	Rob Lewis	Chair of the Education and Training sub group
	Simon Kelly	Cumbria Fire and Rescue Service
	C.I. Mairi Stamper	Cumbria Constabulary (attended on behalf of Ron Smith)
	Cathy Wynne	Cumbria PCT
	Insp. Craig Lory	CRASH West

	ACTION
1 <u>APOLOGIES</u>	
Jonathan Smith, Ron Smith, Don Spiller, Richard Watt, Paul Little, Mike Parry, John Ranson, Kevin McGilloway, Bob Pallas and Jan Sjyrop.	
The meeting was attended for the first time by Cathy and Simon who requested copies of the Cumbria Road Safety Strategy 2006-2010 and ARSS 07 document to be sent to them.	CB
2 <u>MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING</u>	
The minutes of the meeting held on 11 December were accepted as an accurate record, future minutes must include page numbers.	CB
2.1 <u>Roles, Responsibilities and Practice</u>	
The meeting accepted the initial draft of this document but requested that more detailed information should be added regarding the contribution of the Highways Agency, the role of the Local Committees and Road Safety Officers, the three sub groups, the CRASH groups, the RSHLSG (refer below) and the Safety Camera Partnership. It will then serve as a useful reference source for anyone that has an interest in how road safety is managed within Cumbria. It is anticipated that this may take several weeks due to issues such as memorandums of understanding and SLAs that need to be finalised.	CB
2.2 <u>Protocol to address speeding concerns</u>	
This document which records how speeding issues are dealt with by the Partnership that includes sub protocols for the use of SIDs and VAS was accepted by the meeting. The protocol is to be sent to chairs of the Local Committees to brief members as part of their consideration of the quarterly road safety reports that CB provides.	CB

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| <p>2.3 <u>Annual Road Safety Statement 08</u>
 CB will produce a draft of the statement for comment by the April meeting.
 BB said he will contribute to this and will ensure that the Area 13 action plan is aligned with the ARSS 08.</p> | <p>CB/BB</p> |
| <p>2.4 <u>Targets for 2008-2010</u>
 Having exceed the DfT KSI reduction targets set for 2010, the data group proposed to at least hold the All KSI and Child KSI at the 2010 target levels for the next 3 years, this was rejected by the group as it lacked clear ambition.
 The data group were asked by the meeting to provide interims until 2010 based upon the rate of improvement of the past few years for the forthcoming national indicator target negotiations with GONW. BB advised that the DfT are yet to accept the 2007 KSI figures for Area 13 of the HA.</p> | <p>CB/JSY</p> |
| <p>2.5 <u>Road Safety Conference 08</u>
 Stephen Stradling, Professor of Transport Psychology has confirmed that he will speak at the event which looks most likely to be held at the Castle Inn, Bassenthwaite.
 BB suggested that representatives of adjacent partnerships should be invited.</p> | <p>CB/KT</p> |
| <p>2.6 <u>Road Safety Budgets of the Partners 08/09</u>
 The CCC budget for road safety is to be finalised in February and is expected to be slightly less than that of 07/08.
 BB stated that the HA road safety budget will also be slightly reduced from 07/08. The Constabulary had not finalised theirs at the time of the meeting.
 PCT financing is only on the basis of a business case.</p> | |
| <p>2.7 <u>Road Safety High Level Steering Group</u>
 The first meeting of this group will be held on the 7 March and CB gathers agenda items and takes the minutes.
 CW suggested that this group could perhaps include the NHS Director of public health in the future.</p> | <p>CB</p> |
| <p>2.8 <u>Speed Awareness Training</u>
 The invitation to tender documentation for the training providers is due to be published in March.</p> | |
| <p>2.9 <u>Respect SIDS</u>
 A number of SIDs used in the Respect campaign that incorporated TDUs have been converted in the past such that they stand on tripods rather than being required to be fixed on posts.
 The tripods have however been found to be unstable in high winds, for this reason the meeting decided that they should be maintained but only be used on wide verges.
 CB will update the SIDs protocol referred to in 2.2 with this limitation.</p> | <p>CB</p> |
| <p>2.10 <u>Road Safe 2008</u>
 This event is cancelled this year due to missing the "bookings window", to be ensured of a professional event arrangements need to begin in the September of the previous year.</p> | |
| <p>3 <u>CURRENT POSITION ON ROAD CASUALTIES</u></p> | |
| <p>3.1 he 2007 fatality total of 45 is the lowest figure since 2000, these mainly occur on A class high speed rural roads and the majority includes locals.</p> | |

3.2 Child KSI performance continues on its downward trend which we believe is due to early years training.

3.3 For January, subject to future confirmation, there has been 3 fatalities, 18 Serious and 123 slights.

4 SUB GROUP REPORTS

Research and Information

4.1 The group are currently working on the ARSS 08 as referred to in 2.3 above

CRASH (North) Group

4.2 There were 6 KSI in January.

4.3 Operation Bike Safe is to take place from April to September.

4.4 Planning has begun for this year's Appleby Horse Fair.

CRASH (West) Group

4.5 A radar operated speed gun has been ordered for community use.

4.6 There were 3 KSI in January.

CRASH (South) Group

4.7 There were 12 KSI in January, the recent high winds and wet roads have been a contributory factor.

4.8 A radar operated speed gun has been ordered for community use.

Education and Training

4.9 A programme of education and engagement with the Elderly is underway which will include the question are they still fit to drive and suggest alternative options to driving. CW offered her support.

4.10 Secondary school road safety training is to be enhanced in 07/08 with a new pilot syllabus aimed at 12/14 year olds and the DSA delivering their Arrive Alive training to a number of schools.

4.11 A Motorcycle focus day is to be held in April with the various representative groups and Durham Constabulary Bike section with the purpose of formulating new initiatives for motorcycle casualty reduction.

Publicity

4.12 The County will be running three motorcycle focused TV advertisements on the weekend before Easter and the Easter weekend itself both on Border TV and Tyne Tees.

4.13 The sub group are also proceeding with the Don't Crunch After Lunch motorcycle campaign using updated leaflets from the previous campaign. About 20,000 will be distributed throughout the north east and north west through Ride magazine. A

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number of leaflets will also be given to the Bike Safe and motorcycle policing teams.

- 4.14 A series of road side posters “Think Bike” and “Bike To Die For? ” aimed at motorcyclists and making motorists more aware of motorcyclists have been purchased, these will be placed prior to Easter on routes with motorcycle clusters and remain in place for the rest of the year.

5 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 5.1 BB advised that the January edition of the Highways Agency safety bulletin is available.

6 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- 6.1 The next meeting will be held 1000 Tuesday 15 April at Skirsgill Depot.