

FNQ RRTG Technical Committee

Minutes

Meeting No	125
Meeting Name	FNQ RRTG Technical Committee Meeting
Date	20 January 2023
Time	10.00am – 11.30am
Venue	Committee Room, Cairns Regional Council and Virtual via GoTo Meeting

Representatives

Name	Organisation
Amir Akrami	Cook Shire Council
Garry Pickering	Croydon Shire Council
David Fletcher (Chair)	Etheridge Shire Council
Andrew Foster	Mareeba Shire Council
Mark Vis (online)	Tablelands Regional Council
John Gillespie	DTMR
David Goodman (online)	Cassowary Coast Regional Council

Observers

Name	Organisation
Jordon Robinson (online)	TMR
Darlene Irvine	FNQROC
Delia Atkinson (online)	LGAQ

Apologies

Name	Organisation
Chris Accatino	Cassowary Coast Regional Council
Mike Furniss	LGAQ
Andrew Preston	Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council
Helius Visser	Cairns Regional Council
Tanya J Lindenberg	DTMR (RAPT)

Amanda Hancock	FNQROC Tech Coordinator
Natasha Murray (Deputy Chair)	Douglas Shire Council
Jolene Wakeford	Cairns Regional Council
Victor Mills	Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council

1. Welcome and introduction

D Fletcher welcomed everyone to the meeting and understood introductions around the room.

2. Apologies

Apologies noted.

3. Presentations

Nil.

4. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

4.1 Meeting No. 124 held 11 November 2022

Minutes distributed with the agenda were noted and accepted.

4.2 Business Arising from Previous Minutes 11 November 2022

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120.2	TMR to update SOIs for State LRRS (Review of LRRS road set to be done at the same time) – Due Jan – Mar 2023	TMR
124.1	D Irvine to amend RRTG Works Program Development and Management Process for adoption at the next FNQRRTG meeting. (#6448645)	D Irvine
	Completed. Recommended to FNQRRTG for endorsement	
124.2	Recommended amended program to be endorsed at the next FNQRRTG 1 December 2022	D Irvine
	Completed	
124.3	Councils to let FNQROC know if you are interested in sending participants to a supervisor's course if held in Cairns.	All members
	No interest expressed – item closed	
124.4	D Irvine to raised Cape York Road trip with FNQRRTG to get support given the extended time away.	D Irvine
	Concept is supported, concern over resources, options to consider put forward.	

5. Draft Minutes of the FNQR RRTG meeting No.75 held 1 December 2022

For noting

6. Discussion re 2023 Road Trip

There were a couple of options discussed to bring down the time out of the office requiring further investigation:

- Meeting at Cooktown, Fly to Coen and look at works

- Cooktown drive (6.5hrs) to Coen and fly to Bamaga
- Flight to Coen, overnight at Archer River Road House, drive to Bamaga and fly back.
- Flight to Coen, hire car to Bamaga and fly back to Cairns
- Flight to Bamaga and drive back to Cooktown, meeting in Cooktown and Fly back to Cairns Regional Council

ACTION 125.1 – Investigate flight options to bring down the time out of the office.

7. a. TIDS – 22/23 – Program Completion

- Program review
- D Irvine expressed big Thank you's for expenditure to date and those councils already commencing next years program.
 - Croydon Request for additional 10% due to unseasonal wet causing a rise in costs. Request Doc No. 7114861. Request was supported by FNQRRTG TC subject to funding becoming available.
 - No Funding was released to the program this meeting – all is expected to be expended.

8. LGAQ Roads and Transport Advisory Group Update

- Meeting communique' to be provided – meeting held 13th January and focus on Road Safety and Ministerial roundtable in February.

9. LGAQ update

• **Ministerial Road Safety Roundtable**

In the new year, Minister Mark Bailey has announced a Ministerial Road Safety Roundtable to be held on 24 January 2023.

The LGAQ has a seat on this and it is a great opportunity to talk about road safety, appropriate funding for it, the ability to trial initiatives in some of our member LGAs, heavy vehicle concerns, planning issues (e.g. around schools) and other issues.

In response to this, a special road safety RTAG meeting was convened last Friday (13 January) to identify council road safety challenges and proposals – thank you to all that attended and contributed.

The LGAQ will now provide a submission to the Minister, as well as represent at next Tuesday's ministerial road safety roundtable > along with other stakeholders such as QPS, RACQ, TMR, CARRSQ.

• **LGAQ 2022 Conference Resolutions**

130 motions carried at October's 2022 Conference, with 10 of these roads and transport related.

The LGAQ formally presented resolutions to the respective Ministers/DGs in December last year.

Mike and Delia are progressing motions at the officer level, so please contact them if you have any questions or input.

• **Roads and Transport Coordination Accord**

Under the new Roads and Transport Coordination Accord there is a commitment to quarterly meetings between LGAQ and TMR to discuss road and transport challenges.

The first of these meetings between LGAQ CEO Alison Smith and TMR DG Neil Scales will be held at the end of this month.

• **Cleaner Road run-off project**

Megan Forrest (Project Manager) has provided the following project update (Jan 2023):

- Cassowary Coast Regional Council is involved in the project (acknowledging their fantastic team!) with a study site established on Granadilla Road, El Arish.
- CCRC's study site currently has 7 segments testing 7 different drainage treatment types.
- Currently waiting to collect samples in this wet season from Cassowary Coast site.
- Very early sediment results (from the study as a whole) seem to suggest that large volumes of fine sediment are being generated from unsealed roads. The **Average TSS was 7,358mg/L**.
- We have developed a draft design guideline to act as an initial review point with all Reef Catchment Councils
- Megan Forrest is requesting 1-on-1 meetings with representatives from all the councils to better understand what could be useful for them (I have a QR code they can scan in the deck).

10. TMR RAPT update

TIDS Expenditure

Statewide expenditure for the end of the second quarter/December 2022 is 30 per cent, compared with 28 per cent for the same period last year. (It was 25 per cent as at the end of November 2022). FNQ RRTG was at 72% for the same period – 2nd on the leader board! Congratulations to all involved for the hard work.

RRTG ATSI TIDS

A reminder that applications for 2023-24 are now open and the closing date is 15 February 2023.

SCDF

2022-23 program currently includes 18 committed projects across 10 RRTGs with approximately \$387,000 funds allocated (leaving approximately \$213,000 unallocated). Congratulations to FNQ RRTG for securing approval of \$79,096 in funding for the Regional Aerodrome Operational Business Plan project. It's great to see such a significant project being undertaken using the SCDF.

RTA Annual Progress Report

The 2021-22 Roads and Transport Alliance Progress Report was emailed to RRTGs on 22 November 2022. The reports will be distributed in hard copy at future RRTG and TC meetings. It is also available via the Alliance Webpage.

TIDS Project Recognition Signage

Thank you for your ongoing work in raising recognition signage at every meeting and ensuring it is in place on all projects that trigger the TIDS signage threshold of \$250,000 or more contributing to total project cost. As previously noted, photographic evidence that the sign has been erected must be provided to the TMR district office and emailed to roads.alliance.communications@tmr.qld.gov.au

Walking Local Government Grants Program

A second round of the "Walking Local Government Grants" program for the development of walking network plans and priority works programs was opened in December 2022 and close on 20 January 2023 (day of the meeting).

NEW Queensland Guide to Road Safety (QGRS)

- A new Queensland Guide to Road Safety (QGRS) was released on 30 November 2022; replacing Volume 2 of the TRUM manual and is aligned to the latest version of Austroads Guide to Road Safety. This release comprises seven new parts, supported by a Queensland Road Safety Technical Users Volume (QRSTUV), comprising new practice guidelines: "Guide to Schools" and "Guide to Speed Management".
- Part 4 "Guide to Speed Management" of Queensland's MUTCD has also been reviewed as part of this release and relevant content has been absorbed into the new QGRS and supporting documents. Remaining content in Part 4 of the MUTCD has been harmonised to Australian Standard AS 1742.4, bringing Part 4 into line with the harmonised Queensland MUTCD.

- Also note that the content from the withdrawn technical note TN203 Footpath or shared path speed zones for PMDs is now included in the QRSTUV.
- The new documents can be found on the TMR website: [Technical publications \(Department of Transport and Main Roads\) \(tmr.qld.gov.au\)](https://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/technical-publications)

11. General Business

- **Activation**

It was requested that if councils are activated to please let Darlene know so we understand who is being activated in the region.

- **IPWEAQ Conferences**

Have they changed the name of regional conferences to regional road shows (post meeting note: yes)

- **NEMA application for Business Plan and Design – Gilbert River Bridge**

Croydon Shire council is hoping to get support to lodge an application with NEMA for a design and Business plan for Gilbert River Bridge. Since the 26th December the bridge has been closed 12 days and open 14.

- **Ootann Road**

Deeds have come through to TRC and MSC for ROSI funding.

12. Points for noting to the FNQ RRTG or FNQROC Boards

- FNQRTTG to endorse amended RRTG Works Program Development and Management Process

13. Next meeting – Date Friday 17 March 2022, Cairns

14. Meeting Close

The meeting was closed at 11.30am.

Actions arising from meeting 125 – 20 January 2023

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