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CALDER ACTION GROUP MEETING

24th April 2008

At Goonawarra Neighbourhood Centre 8:00 PM

Agenda:

1. Welcome and introductions Russell Mowatt

2. Apologies: [A. Potter](#) [R. Brunton](#).

Present: [R. Mowatt](#), [I. Sutherland](#), [Dave Clark](#) and [J. Haskin](#)

3. Previous meeting of elected representatives, committee members and residents on the 14th September 2007 at the Calder BP Station Inbound and Outbound be recorded as a community demonstration to have the Kings Road and Calder Highway upgraded. No minutes taken.

[Motion put forward by R. Mowatt and seconded by I. Sutherland](#)

3.1 Correspondence in: Various letters from elected representatives.

3.2 Correspondence out: Various letters to elected representatives.

4. First item of business to discuss draft letter attached by I. Sutherland for the status on the upgrade of the Kings Road and Calder Highway. This letter to be sent to various government bodies and elected representatives.

[Draft letter discussed for 'A Plea for Further Support' to our various elected representatives federally, state and council.](#)

[Motion put forward by R. Mowatt and seconded by I. Sutherland. Carried unanimously](#)

5. Second item of business to discuss short-term improvements on the Calder Highway between Sunshine Ave and Calder Park Drive. Ian Sutherland to brief group on his advice from Vic Roads and letter to Russell Mowatt on same matter from State Government.

Ian advised he spoke to a VicRoads officer regarding road improvement works on the Calder Freeway between Keilor Park Drive and Melton Highway, Keilor.

These works are to commence between May and end of June 2008 which included the use of the emergency land as a third lane for traffic and the reduction of speed to 80km/h for the interim. This measure is to alleviate traffic congestion in the short term.

6. Third item of business to discuss Calder Action Group Web Page.

To be deferred to AGM.

7. Objectives: Following objectives were established at meeting held on 7th of June 2007. Objectives are ongoing.

7.1 Short Term

7.1.1 To establish solar lights at the intersection of Calder Park Drive and the Calder Highway through Vic Roads

7.1.2 Possible community fund raising campaign if Vic Roads do not assist with lights.

7.1.3 To inform local authorities of motorists doing illegal U turns at Organ Pipe's Road southbound to Mel and exceeding 80k speed limit towards Bendigo and making right hand turn at Calder Park Drive to Mel over medium strip.

7.1.4 To review legal U-turn road pass BP station towards Bendigo.

7.2 Long Term

7.2.1 To lobby and secure a funding commitment and upgrade to this part of the Calder Highway within the next two years or earlier from the federal and state governments via AusLink Network roads program or similar.

8. Action Points

R. Mowatt to send out press release re the status of the Calder Freeway.

7. General Business

Dave Clark advised that with the price of fuel going up GST returns are increasing and therefore any safety fixes initiated by our group or VicRoads are affordable and should be implemented as soon as possible.

Meeting closed 9.35 PM.

Next meeting AGM 26th of June at 8pm same venue