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A meeting of the Travelsafe Committee was held in Room 5.04 of the Parliamentary Annexe on Monday 13 April 1992 at 2.04pm.

Members Present:

Mr Ardill (Chairman), Ms Bird, Messrs Springborg, Fenlon, and Dollin.

In attendance - Mr R Downey, Research Director.

Apologies:

Mr Lester, Mr Goss

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The following changes to the draft report were proposed:

Recommendation 1 be amended by including the words "embankment design and construction, particularly with regard to embankment slope and guard rail protection where specified" after the word "on". The word "rigidly" be deleted. The words "as a minimum" be added after the word "authorities".

Recommendation 2 be amended by including the words "road design and construction standards for state-wide use" after the word "setting". The words "state-wide standards, including LATM (Local Area Traffic Management) standards" be deleted. The sentence "This should also include LATM (Local Area Traffic Management) standards." be included after the word "authorities".

Recommendation 3 be amended by including a new sentence "Any recommendations to create or modify standards, which emanate from such conferences, should be directed to the organisation/s responsible for establishing the standards originally adopted." after the word "suitability".

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Recommendation 12 be amended by replacing the words "Armco rail" with the words "safety barrier". The words "until the replacement program places the power lines underground" be deleted.

Recommendation 13 be amended by including the words "and roadworks signs" at the end of the sentence.

Recommendation 14 be amended by including the words "or some other appropriate intersection control device" after the word "signs". The words "which is the default rule at intersections without an appropriate intersection control device" be included after the word "rule".

Recommendation 15 be amended by adding a new paragraph "The Committee further recommends that safer pedestrian crossings over multi-lane roads be provided by using pedestrian actuated traffic lights, and where applicable, pedestrian refuges in the median strip."

Recommendation 17 be amended to read "The Committee recommends that maintenance programs for Queensland roads receive greater funding in order to reduce the number of accidents caused by poor road conditions."

Recommendation 20 be amended by adding a new sentence "The investigation should consider the socio-economic impact of further restrictions on road train travel as well as the road safety and road maintenance aspects."

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Recommendation 21 be amended by including the words "including the system shown in Appendix G" at the end of the second sentence. A new sentence "The pilot should be adequately signed and well-publicised" should be included before the words "As a minimum ...".

Section 14 of the report be amended by changing the heading to "Raised Reflective Pavement Markers". The words "cats eyes" would appear in brackets once in the text and again in brackets in Recommendation 22.

Recommendation 22 be amended to read "The Committee recommends that an assessment of the safety value of using different coloured (other than white) raised reflective pavement markers (cats eyes) to clearly indicate the difference between the lane marking and the centre line on multi-lane, undivided roads, be undertaken by the Queensland Department of Transport."

These proposed amendments were adopted by the Committee.

A further amendment to Recommendation 9 was proposed by Mr Fenlon and seconded by Mr Springborg. The proposal was to delete the words "motorists failing to keep left unless overtaking".

Question put that the amendment proposed by Mr Fenlon be adopted; and the Committee divided:

Aye's 2	-	Fenlon, Springborg
Noes 3	-	Ardill, Bird, Dollin

Resolved in the negative.

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(cont.):

The draft report was read and the following question put:

That each paragraph including the adopted amendments, Chairman's Foreword, Summary of Recommendations, References and Appendices stand part of the report.

Question passed. Report can be printed and will be tabled as early as possible, preferably on 28 April 1992.

Each Committee member will receive five copies of the report. Mr Downey will compile a mailing list of people and organisations who shall also receive a copy.

Next Investigation:

Discussions on the subject of the next Travelsafe Committee investigation were undertaken. A decision was deferred until the next meeting.

Next Meeting:

Tuesday 5 May 1992 at 1.00pm.

Meeting closed at 4.58pm.

Confirmed this

5th

day of

May

1992.



Chairman