

**SUBMISSION TO:** Ordinary Council Meeting  
Meeting Date: 18th August 2023

**AGENDA REFERENCE:** 0.0 AUG 23

**SUBJECT:** WALGA RoadWise Council Invitation

**LOCATION/ADDRESS:** Leonora

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** Shire of Leonora

**FILE REFERENCE:**

**AUTHOR, DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST AND DATE OF REPORT**

**NAME:** Ty Matson

**OFFICER:** Chief Executive Officer

**INTEREST DISCLOSURE:** Nil

**DATE:** 9th August 2023

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:**

1. Invitation to Register as RoadWise Council
2. RoadWise Council Registration Form

**BACKGROUND**

Correspondence has been received from WALGA inviting the Shire to register as a RoadWise Council.

The new RoadWise Councils Framework informs the approach WALGA's road safety team takes in supporting local governments in working towards delivering best practice road safety. The Framework considers the elements which determine the level of safety of the road transport system within the context of local governments.

Not all local governments have been invited to register. Initially 76 local governments have been invited to ensure that the support offered is not diluted. As support through the RoadWise Council program is available to a limited number of local governments, there is a requirement to formalise the relationship. The invitation can be accepted by Council resolution providing a commitment to road safety.

The benefits for Local Governments that register as RoadWise Councils include:

- use of the RoadWise logo,
- priority access to WALGA's road safety services and products,
- exclusive quarterly meetings and support from a Road Safety Advisor,
- priority access to participate in WALGA's road safety policy development, training, professional development forums and knowledge-sharing workshops offered by WALGA,
- access to incentives and sponsored programs, and
- participation in the new RoadWise Recognised initiative.

**STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT**

Section 3.2(2) of the Local Government Act 1995 states that the general function of a local government is to provide for the good government of persons in its district.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

**STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

Strategic references within the Shire of Leonora's 'Plan for the Future 2021 – 2031' demonstrate connections between Council's commitment to road safety and community vision for the Shire of Leonora, particularly in relation to:

**Social Objective – An empowered and spirited community**

Outcome:

**1.2 Community health and well-being initiatives**

Strategy 1.2.1 – Support and advocate for community health and wellbeing initiatives and provision of services to the community.

Strategic alignment between the Shire of Leonora's #SaferLeonora Road Safety Action Plan and support offered by registering as a RoadWise Council demonstrates benefit of involvement.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

That Council accept WALGA's invitation to register as a RoadWise Council.

**VOTING REQUIREMENT**

Simple Majority

**SIGNATURE**

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Chief Executive Officer