

# MINUTES

## Central Australian Commercial Passenger Vehicles Advisory Committee (CACPVAC)

Tuesday, 9th April 2013

Time 9am – 11am

Greatorex Building, Alice Springs

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### 1.1 Present/Apologies

Present: Chairman – Jason O'Brien  
Eagle Training Services – Kath Clark  
Private Hire representative - Paul Alekna  
Motor Vehicle Registry representative – Therese Schutt  
Tangentyere Council representative – Leigh Shacklady  
Alice Springs Town Council representative – Kevin Everett  
Australian Hoteliers Association representative – Ray Loechel  
Alice Springs Taxis representative – Chris Broomhall  
Minibus representative – Keith Mansbridge  
Department of Transport – Therese Schutt

Apologies: Disability Advisory Services – Michelle Castagna

### 1.2 Confirm Minutes from previous meeting

Previous Minutes were accepted

## 2 General Business

### Outstanding Actions

- 2.1 Distribute OHS information to members. **Completed.** ETS provided a Fact Sheet entitled New Workplace Health & Safety Act & CPV Industry. This was read and accepted by members. A copy will be attached to the Minutes for distribution by members to others in the Industry.
- 2.2 A request in writing to the Public Arts Committee to have the flood marker signage re-installed was sent in Nov 2012. **Ongoing** Leon Tripp from the Public Arts Advisory Committee advised by email on 25 March 2013 that preliminary concept/designs for a marker were being sourced from Ross Engineering. The Committee supports the possible location in the Todd Mall, but re-iterates is initial request that the markers also be re-instated in the vicinity of the Town Library as per their previous location. Kevin Everett to take this back to the Public Arts Committee through Leon Tripp.
- 2.3 A new tourism representative to be nominated and invited to join the forum.- **Ongoing.** A letter sent to Jaclyn Thorne of Tourism Central Australia on 22 March 2013 seeking nomination of a person from the Tourism Industry to join the Forum, to date no response has been received.
- 2.4 Consult with Industry and the Railway Station for a combined CPV drop off and pick up at the front of the terminal. **Action** Consultation has occurred and forum has supported proposed CPV parking arrangements at the railway station being, a combined CPV rank (drop off and pick up) with updated signage on the platform. Quotes have been called for and approved for TJ Signs to prepare.
- 2.5 Forum to provide feedback on updating the information in the 'Getting Around Alice Springs' brochure. **Ongoing** Further advice from DoT is that there is

currently no funding for this project to be undertaken. Item to stay on the Agenda and be re-visited in the new financial year.

## **2.6 Ranking Issues**

The issue of private vehicles parking in the Ranks out the front of Bojangles & the Rock Bar has arisen again. Crowd Controller's and others are apparently parking vehicles in these areas whilst they are working at either venue. **Action** Kevin Everett will roster Rangers to work this area over the next couple of weeks, in particular, Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights to enforce signage restrictions. ASTC will send a letter to business's in this area to advise them of these restricted parking zones

## **3. Other Business**

### **3.1 Alice Springs Airport**

- DOT advised that the Rob Price from Northern Territory Airports Pty Ltd had agreed to the installation of a new DDA Compliant Taxi Totem at the Rank located at the Alice Springs Airport. He has also provided in-principle agreement to locate a pull up style sign inside the Terminal advising travellers that Drivers of CPV should not approach them to solicit a fare. **Action** DOT to follow up with Rob Price with regards to wording of the sign, and the DOT will probably organise to have the signage manufactured.
- Leigh Shacklady raised the issue of the ability of industry to cope with the possible increase in demand due to the new Airline (Tiger) starting operations on 9 April 2013. It was advised by industry representatives that the timing of the flights would allow CPV's to pick up fares from the Airport take them to their destination, pick up a fare in town to go to the Airport for the next departing flight and then be available for further pick up from the next aircraft arrival.

### **3.2 Todd Mall Redevelopment – CPV Ranking**

DOT have sent an email to the Project Engineer regarding provision of a CPV Rank near the Cinema Complex, post construction. No response has been received as yet. Kevin Everett will take this issue up with Greg Buxton. Forum also agreed that a letter, signed by the Chair, from CACPVF be sent to the Mayor outlining the Forums concerns.

### **3.3 Police Report Sheet**

This document has been circulated to Taxi Drivers by their Networks and is currently in use. Keith Mansbridge also confirmed that Minibus drivers had also received copies of the form. Paul Alekna will ensure all PH drivers also have copies.

### **3.4 Sub Taxi's working with Police**

Police use of a Sub Taxi over the weekend of 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> March was a successful operation, some rock throwing offenders were been apprehended. There have been no issues since. This will probably be an on-going operation, if and when required.

### **3.5 Totems**

DOT provided that approval had been received from all parties regarding the installation of 15 new DDA Compliant Taxi & Minibus Totems.

### **3.6 Review of Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport**

DoT advised members that this had been sent by email on 2<sup>nd</sup> April. An issues paper which outlines the purpose and scope of the Review was attached. Submissions are invited from operators, providers and the community and they close on **Friday, 26 April 2013**.

### **3.7 Draft NT Taxi Code of Conduct**

Members were also referred to the draft Northern Territory Taxi Code of Conduct, which is also available from the website and is open for comment until **Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2013.**

### **3.8 Upcoming Events**

- Alice Springs Cup Carnival – 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> May 2013
- Bangtail Muster – 6<sup>th</sup> May 2013. Road Closures will affect Ranks.
- Finke – multi-use Rank at Scrutineering, the same as at Alice Spring show. No requirements at the Start/Finish Line. DOT to check with Finke Committee regarding a possible change of direction for vehicles, entering Len Kittle Drive via Ilparpa Road and exiting via Commonage Road (no right turn at Commonage Road).

### **3.8 Facebook**

Leigh Shacklady advised that the Alice Springs Community Forum Facebook page was naming and shaming Taxi's and others when they do the wrong thing on the road.

### **4. Action List**

Please refer to Attachment A.

### **5. Next meeting**

9am -11am Tuesday 18 June 2013

### **Attachment A**

<b>Agenda No</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Action Officer</b>
2.2	Installation of Flood marker signage	ASTC
2.4	Progress agreed changes to ranks and signage at Alice Springs railway terminal.	Chair & DoT
2.5	Forum to provide updating fare charges for inclusion in the 'Getting Around Alice Springs' brochure.	All
2.6	Rangers to work this area over the next couple of weeks, in particular, Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights to enforce signage restrictions. ASTC will send a letter to business's in this area to advise them of these restricted parking zones	ASTC
3.1	Follow up with Rob Price with regards to wording of the sign, and the DOT will probably organise to have the signage manufactured.	DOT
3.2	Provision of CPV Rank near Cinema Complex. Letter to be written to Mayor.	Chair & DOT