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MEDIA RELEASE

Report on the Inquiry into Vulnerable Road Users

Today the Legislative Assembly's Standing Committee on Planning, Environment and Territory and Municipal Services tabled its report on its Inquiry into Vulnerable Road Users.

The Report is the conclusion of the Committee's inquiry which received 54 submissions and held seven public hearings over a 13 month period.

The Chair of the Committee, Mr Mick Gentleman MLA, said, 'The Committee greatly appreciated the contribution from the many stakeholders who provided evidence to assist the Committee's inquiry. It was very clear to the Committee that the matter of vulnerable road users is an important one and a matter which affects everyone in the community'.

'The majority of evidence submitted to the inquiry emphasised the issues faced by a particular road user, for example, cyclists, motorcyclists or pedestrians. However, it was also acknowledged that the implementation of initiatives to increase safety for one category of vulnerable road users would, in effect, result in increased safety for all vulnerable road users and indeed for all road users'.

Mr Gentleman said, 'The Committee also noted that a central theme underpinning much of the evidence provided to the inquiry related to the importance of every road user developing a greater understanding of the needs and challenges faced by other road users.'

Mr Gentleman said, 'I would very much like to thank my Committee colleagues: Mr Alistair Coe MLA, Deputy Chair, Dr Chris Bourke MLA and Mr Andrew Wall MLA. We sincerely hope that the Committee's report will lead to significant changes to protect vulnerable road users'.

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