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APPENDIX 9
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Chief Executive Officer
City of Joondalup
90 Boas Ave
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Dear Sir / Madam

REMEMBER 50KM/H IN BUILT-UP AREA SIGNAGE

On 1 December 2001 the default Built Up Area (BUA) speed limit in Western Australia was reduced from 60km/h to 50 km/h. The BUA speed limit applies largely to local roads in urban areas and, to avoid an over-proliferation of signage, Main Roads' policy is not to provide 50km/h signage on roads with BUA speed limits.

As part of the overall advertising/media campaign to raise awareness of the change in BUA speed limit, Main Roads delegated authority to Local Government to temporarily install 'Remember 50km/h in Built-Up Area' warning signs at appropriate locations on local roads. The intention was that these signs would be installed for no longer than six months in any one location to remind drivers of the change in speed limit.

The default BUA speed limit of 50km/h has been in place for over 17 years and there is significant public awareness of this limit. However, Main Roads is aware of numerous locations where 'Remember 50km/h in Built Up Area' signs are currently installed. Some signs have been recently erected, possibly to placate resident concerns over speeding on local roads, while others have been in place for considerable periods of time. There are also examples where these signs have been installed outside of BUA's which have led to incidents where motorists have been incorrectly charged with speeding offences.

As a consequence, Main Roads considers that these signs are not performing the function for which they were intended and advises that their installation is no longer supported. Main Roads does not hold information on the locations of these signs on the local government controlled road network, and is seeking your support to identify and arrange for the removal of these signs, from roads under your control, by the end of December 2020.

I thank you for your assistance in this matter. If any further information is required please contact A/Manager Traffic Management Services, Mr Colin Ward on 9323 4721.

Yours sincerely

Tony Earl
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NETWORK OPERATIONS

