Alexandra Douglas  
Executive Officer  
Parliament of Victoria  
Road Safety Committee  
Parliament House  
Spring Street  
East Melbourne VIC 3002

Dear Ms Douglas,

Re: Call for Submissions for the Inquiry into Pedestrian Safety in Car Parks

I refer to your letter dated 23rd April 2009 regarding Pedestrian Safety in Car Parks.

Below are details from Moyne Shire Council as requested:
- Council has (20) twenty streets with marked angle or parallel parking. The number of parking spaces within these streets is approximately 1200.
- Council has (22) twenty two off street car parks varying between (8) eight to (30) thirty spaces giving approximately 250 spaces. These parks are designed to current Austroads Standards to ensure driver accessibility.
- Council does not have records of crashes but believe that any crashes would be very minor and therefore not cause injury to drivers or pedestrians.
- In designing and constructing new car parks, Council has attempted to create some walking areas in front of or beside the car parking spaces. This is an attempt to remove pedestrians from potential conflict with vehicles.
- Widened car parking spaces with a greater distance between rows of parking would allow greater manoeuvrability for drivers. However this has the effect of reducing the number of available spaces.
- Provision of pedestrian paths between rows of parking provides a safe area for pedestrians but reduces the number of parks.
- Provision of one-way traffic or making areas no through traffic reduces the vehicle conflicts and slows vehicles.

In general, Moyne has very few car parks compared with other municipalities. Most of Moyne's spaces are paved, sealed and line marked. Because they are relatively small, speeds within the parking areas are normally very low.

Yours faithfully,

Malcolm Macpherson  
Director Physical Services

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