

# MINUTES CRASH DATA WORKING GROUP

13 April 2026

## Attendees

- Internal: Mel Smalley (Chair), Warwick Taylor, Kerry Greig, Paul Phipps, Giles Hindley, Liz Kolster, Bhakti Dahya
- External: Martyn Napier (NZ Police), Jennifer McSaveney (Ministry of Transport), s 9(2)(a) (Beca), Lewis Martin (Auckland Transport), Kym Simth (Auckland Transport)

## Apologies

s 9(2)(a) (Automobile Association),

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## 2. For Discussion and Recommendation: Driver Use of Substances Not Classed as Drugs

The Group discussed impairment of drivers due to substances such as kava, NAGs, glue and nitrous oxide.

The Group **recommended** that a new factor code should be created for suspected impairment by substances not classed as drugs.

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#### **b. Coding of Very Low Blood Alcohol Readings**

The Group **agreed** that blood alcohol readings at or below five milligrams per 100 millilitres of blood should be treated as no alcohol for the purposes of coding.

#### **c. Next meeting**

10:30 am Monday 20 July 2026

- Meeting closed.

### **Action Points**

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#### **Warwick**

- Warwick will write up a request for a new factor code for suspected impairment by substances not classed as drugs.

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