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National Road Safety Week

District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula is urging locals to 'Drive So Others Survive', this harvest season as part of National Road Safety Week.

National Road Safety Week, an annual initiative from the Safer Australian Roads and Highways Group, launched in Sydney on Sunday with the Sydney Harbour Bridge and Sydney Opera House being lit in yellow.

National Road Safety Week, from November 15-22, highlights the impact of road trauma and ways to reduce it.

Mayor Jo-Anne Quigley said it was important people were responsible on the road – avoid distractions like phones, never drive under the influence and stick to the speed limit.

“Our small communities spend a lot of time on the road, and it is up to each of us to ensure we drive safely, and to road and weather conditions,” Mayor Quigley said.

“If we look out for each other we can all get home safe.”

Harvest has started across Lower Eyre Peninsula and Council is asking people to be vigilant to ensure the safety of all road users and pedestrians.

Council has again successfully requested a temporary speed reduction from 50 kilometres an hour to 40kmh on Bruce Terrace in Cummins during the harvest period.

Council is also pleased shoulder widening works have been carried out on the Tod Highway in recent weeks, making some sections safer for drivers with increased grain freight on the road due to the closure of the railway.

“This is our second harvest with increased trucks on the road due to the rail closure and we are encouraging all road users to make safe decisions,” Mayor Quigley said.

