

Status of 2015/16 Work Program as at 30 March 2016

Based on the 2015-18 Strategic Plan (August 2015)

The NMVTRC's work program for 2015-16 is focused on the four key reform themes of the 2015-18 Strategic Plan—*Disrupting the Separated Parts Market, Disrupting Vehicle Laundering Markets, Diverting Young Offenders and Stakeholder/ Community Capacity Building and Innovation*. The status of projects is summarised below.

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Reform Theme/ Project Element/ Desired Outcome	Action	Status/ Next Steps
Disrupt Separated Parts Market		
Better Management of End-of Life Vehicles <i>Establish secure practices for decommissioning end-of-life vehicles to combat theft-for-scrap rackets and minimise environmental impacts</i>	Establish expert reference group to develop guiding principles for the better management of end-of-life vehicles, including— <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ceasing cash payments for scrap • modernising local trading laws • assuring provenance of legitimate supply chains via trade accreditation schemes and insurance repair networks. 	Preliminary discussions held with Transport for NSW about establishing NMVTRC Expert Reference Group in NSW. Austroads has included sister project to develop conceptual supporting registration provisions in 2015/16 program. For related background information see— http://www.carsafe.com.au/stakeholders-a-partners/publications/modernising-regulatory-regimes
Disrupt Vehicle Laundering Markets		
Refine Management of Written-off Vehicles (WOV) <i>Reduced pool of vehicles that are subject to criminal manipulation</i>	Complete the development of best practice principles for vehicle ID and safety inspections for WOVs.	Deferred to Q3 2016.
	Complete post-implementation review of the application of revised criteria for the assessment of WOVs in 'mature jurisdictions' and how the national WOV landscape has changed over the past five years.	Awaiting updated national data from NEVDIS expected April 2016.
	Engage the mining and rental car industries on closing off 'leaks' in the existing barriers that criminals may be exploiting.	On-going.
	Monitor progress of the National Heavy Vehicle Regulations to ensure the consistent coverage of heavy vehicles.	On-going. Executive maintaining liaison with National Heavy Vehicle Regulator on definitional, policy, technical and administrative issues requiring resolution in developing the legislative proposal and associated guidelines.
	Extend data supplies to maintain an e-data consolidation service for auto recyclers.	Completed.
Personal Property Securities Register <i>A more informed, discerning buyer market for used vehicles.</i>	Work with related agencies to improve the clarity and interpretation of PPSR data.	On-going. Improved quality and range of data expected to be implemented in Q3 2016.

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Divert Young Offenders		
Sustainable Best Practice Program for Recidivist Offenders <i>Improved access to diversionary programs that reflect NMVTRC's best practice model.</i>	Maintain partnership with Mission Australia (MA) and the Suncorp Group to transition Synergy Repairs to becoming fully self-funded.	On-going. Evaluation report from Swinburne University's Department of Psychological Sciences due in April 2016. For program details see— https://www.missionaustralia.com.au/synergy/about-2
	Collaborate with the Tasmanian Department of Justice to establish an evaluation framework for car crime offenders within in its new adult diversion program.	On-going. Deakin University appointed as independent evaluation consultant. Evaluation framework under development. Interim report due Q3 2016.
	Maintain an advisory support role to other community attempts at best practice responses.	Ongoing. Advice provided to agencies and community groups in SA, Qld and NSW.
	Maintain Choose-A-Ride (CaR) resources.	Completed. Video format optimised for tablets and other portable devices. See http://www.choosearide.com/
Stakeholder & Community Capacity/ Innovation		
Public education Better informed motoring public on theft risks and mitigation actions	Maintain Car Security Begins at Home resources to deliver consistent community messages about key security and mitigating personal risks.	Completed. Cinema ads screened in theft hot spots nationally from September to March. To view available resources see http://carsecuritybeginsathome.com/
	Work with NT stakeholders to contextualise the key security message for NT audiences.	Completed. New co-branded resources and campaign launched Q3 2015.
	Publish (online) an updated Guide to Tackling Vehicle Theft for Local Communities that reflects current risks.	Completed.
	Re-introduce <i>Australia's Most Wanted</i> as flagship communications event.	Production of on-line resources commenced. Launch expected by mid-year.
	Monitor motorists' attitudes to vehicle security and crime issues via annual survey.	Next survey scheduled for Q3 2016.
	Maintain liaison with rider groups to look to disseminate key theft prevention messages.	Survey of security habits and attitudes completed. Results reported in December Theft Torque—see http://www.carsafe.com.au/images/stories/pdfs/Theft_Torque/Theft_Torque_54_December_2015.pdf

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Stakeholder & Community Capacity/ Innovation cont.		
Police Responses Facilitate inter-agency co-operation and knowledge sharing.	Maintain the operations of the Vehicle Crime Managers' Network to facilitate inter-agency cooperation and intelligence sharing.	Completed. National workshop held 24 November 2015. See summary at— http://www.carsafe.com.au/images/stories/pdfs/Theft_Torque/Theft_Torque_54_December_2015.pdf
	Maintain liaison with police and insurers nationally in respect of electronic theft risks.	Completed. See national workshop above.
New Technology Showcase emerging/ low cost technologies as countermeasure to key theft and crime reduction tool.	With WA Police and RAC Insurance complete the trial of a low-cost theft alert app for smart phones (includes Standard Operating Procedure for police response).	On-going. For details see http://carsecuritybeginsathome.com/svri
	Evaluate WA Police trial of 'free' alarms for scooter owners in high risk municipalities.	Evaluation framework agreed with WAPOL, but awaiting confirmation of local resourcing availability. Evaluation to commence Q2 2016.
	Work with ACT stakeholders to trial the recording of VINs at local motor cycle dealers to improve theft reporting.	Deferred to Q3 2016.
Fraud Reduction Reduced opportunity for fraudsters to disguise activities as theft.	Work with Insurance Fraud Bureau Australia—to identify complementary measures that may assist to mitigate fraud risks.	On-going.
Improved Data More informed data for development of countermeasures.	Develop customised dashboards for police and insurers, improve quality of heavy vehicle and motorcycle data.	On-going.

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