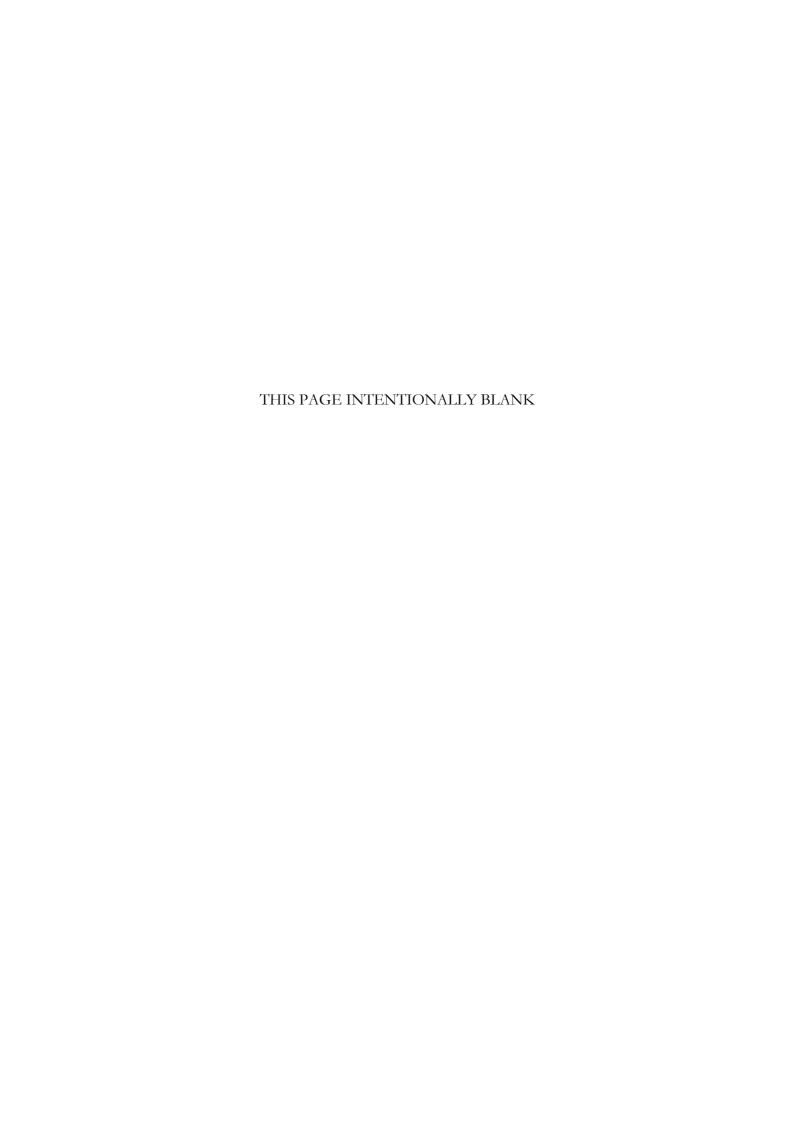
INQUIRY INTO PEDESTRIAN SAFETY (MINISTERIAL REFERENCE)

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CROSSINGS

- 1. Some crossings are poorly lit e.g. Elizabeth Street Ashfield near Wood Street. And pedestrians cross without first looking.
- 2. Pedestrians crossing where there is no official crossing e.g. at the roundabout Everton Road, Raw Sq and Cooper Street, Strathfield.
- 3. People crossing where there is a poorly defined zone from road to pedestrian walkway. This occurs in town centres where there is a pedestrian mall with cars passing through or nearby.
- 4. School crossings located where the school has a few campuses. The students walk acting as if the whole area is the school campus and do not watch out for cars.

ROAD RULES

- 1. The public need to be re-educated in road rules. Basic rules like looking right then left and right again before crossing the road.
- 2. Wearing clothing that can be seen at night.
- 3. Road rules being available in other languages.

DISTRACTIONS

- 1. Pedestrians walking while listening to their ipod and thus not stopping before crossing the road.
- 2. Pedestrians talking on mobile phones and being inattentive to the traffic.