



Guide Dogs.

Coroners Court of Victoria
65 Kavanagh Street
South Melbourne VIC 3006

FINDINGS INTO THE DEATH OF MR MAREK KOZIOL

Guide Dogs Victoria is deeply saddened by the passing of Mr Marek Koziol in May 2018. We would like to offer our sincerest condolences to the family and friends of Mr Koziol, and we hope the adoption of Mr Koziol's Guide Dog Penny by his family, has provided comfort in their grief.

The recommendation made by the Coroner to incorporate into our training programs "*strategies to address the challenges associated by some modern motor vehicles that emit lower noise levels and to visually impaired people as they move around in public, whether assisted by guide dogs or otherwise*" has been accepted in full.

The Orientation and Mobility programs delivered by Guide Dogs Victoria have incorporated strategies and techniques to ensure our Clients who are blind or have low vision, are able to travel safely in the community with dignity, recognising and responding to the potential risks associated with lower noise emitting motor vehicles.

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the Coroner's recommendations arising from Mr Koziol's sad passing.

Signed

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