

DEVIZES AREA BOARD 27th January 2014

COMMUNITY AREA TRANSPORT GROUP MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 13th January 2014

Purpose of the Report

To provide an update and recommendations to Devizes Area Board from the meeting of the Community Area Transport Group meeting held on Monday 13th January 2014.

Notes of Meeting

Present:

Tony Cosstick - Cycle Devizes

Peter Evans - Devizes Town Council

Kate Freeman – Chairman of DCAP Transport Sub-Group (From 10:30am)

Ann Lumb - Great Cheverell Parish Council

Kelvin Nash - Devizes Town Council (From 10:15am)

Gareth Rogers - Senior Engineer, Wiltshire Council

Richard Rogers - Community Area Manager for Devizes, Wiltshire Council

Steve Valentine - Roundway Parish Council

Philip Whitehead - Member of Devizes area Board and portfolio holder for Highways Contract

Also in attendance

Peter Baxter - Worton Parish Clerk Ray Rogers - Bath Road residents

| Apologies | Rob Edwards – Potterne Parish Council | |
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| | Peter Evans - Devizes Town Council | |
| | Kristian Price – Area Highways Engir | neer |
| Funding Update | CATG ALLOCATION 2013-14 | £23,251.00 |
| | | £20,127.65 |
| | Contributions | |
| | West Lavington PC | £2,000.00 |
| | Dauntsey Aided Primary School | £800.00 |
| | Dauntsey School | £20,000.00 |
| | Total Budget 2013-14 | £66,178.65 |
| | Commitments carried forward from 2012-13 | |
| | Cheverell Road carriageway roundels | 568.11 |
| | New Park Street bus stop pole | 167.07 |
| | West Lavington Ped Enhancement | 795.00 |

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| | New Schemes Devizes Cycle Parking Improvements Devizes - The Green, Ped xing design West Lavington Ped Enhancements Phase 1 Speed Limit Review 13-14 (2 Sites) West Lavington Zebra Crossing Whistley Lane Gates Devizes Coach Parking Worton Pedestrian Count Total commitment 2013-14 | 2,500.00 9,991.00 4,064.49 5,000.00 25,000.00 0.00 2,000.00 500.00 |
| | Total communicity 2013-14 | 30,303.07 |
| | Remaining Budget 2013-14 | £15,592.98 |
| | Other potential schemes to be funded Speed Limit Implementation (C8 Allington) Caen Hill Pedestrian Link | 4,000.00 12,000.00 |
| Worton Parish Council response to the C20 speed limit review | Peter Baxter (Clerk of Worton Parish Council) presented a report to confirm the Parish Council's position in regard to the recent review of speed limits on the C20 road through the village of Worton and wider parish area, as raised at the last CATG meeting. Worton Parish Council recognises that a practicable compromise may be necessary to address the concerns of all parties. To that end, it suggests that a buffer zone of 40mph be established at both ends of the current 30mph zone: to the west, between the 30mph de-limit and the west side of Woodborough House, and to the south from the existing southern de-limit for the length of the C20 to its junction with South Cross Lane. The Parish Council also recommends that the 60 mph limit for the remainder of the C20 length to Black Dog crossroads should be reduced to 50mph, merging with the existing A360 50mph limit. Consequently, the Council wishes to press strongly for the review process to be repeated to accommodate these perspectives, and to address the concerns previously raised for the quality of the original undertaking ACTION - All of these comments will be put in the report on the speed limit reviews for consideration by the cabinet member. (GR) | |
| Actions from Nov 2013 meeting | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , | 2 |
| and updates | | |
| a. Coach Parking | The order has been passed to the Wilt legal team and the work should be cor 18th Jan 2014 There is a commitment to completing the end of the financial year | ntracted by the |

| b. Cycling across the Green | Work will commence on 17th Feb for 6 weeks. One gang will work on the crossing upgrades whilst the other gang will work on the footpath Signs communicating what will take place will go up at the end of January |
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| c. Lavington Crossings | The road markings have been completed The first crossing has been constructed although a water leak has necessitated a repair to be carried out by Wessex Water. The second crossing has been postponed whilst consultation remains open. The Parish Council are to consider how to proceed Dauntsey School have confirmed that they will contribute to their Zebra Crossing and this work will now be taken forward. ACTION – Highways to provide relevant information and maps to the Parish Council regarding the crossing by the school. This will then be distributed on behalf of Wiltshire council. (GR) |
| d. 20 mph speed limits | The policy has now been approved by the cabinet member All CATG's will be invited to put in up to two areas for consideration. The limit of two areas per CATG per year is to ensure that demand does not significantly outstrip resources available by WC ACTION - A letter to be written to Parish Councils to invite them to put forward any suggestions for consideration at the March CATG meeting. (RR) |
| e. Gates along the Whistley Road | An offer from the CATG to pay for 50% of the costs of installing gates along the Whistley Road has been declined by the Parish Council |
| f. Rotherstone Speeding | ACTION - This is to be considered at the next meeting |
| g. Cycle Stands | ACTION – Provide GR with a list of locations by the end of January 2014 (TC) |
| h. Update on Metro Counts – 3 waiting to be completed (Bromham, Erlestoke, Bath Road) | As well as the three requests opposite to be undertaken, Littleton Panell is also being redone. There has been a period when there were no resources to carry out metro counts and a backlog has built up. Resources have now been allocated and the training company has offered to clear the backlog during January ready for the newly trained staff to take over. |

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| | ACTION – Send metro request form for Bath Road to Ray Rogers so that he can speak to the Parish Council regarding location. (RR) A discussion was had on speeding along the Bath Road and Caen Hill. It was recognised that the metro count will give you some of the information but the stats may not give a true picture of the real situation. It was recognised that Community Speedwatch could be a very useful tool to help tackle the problem of speeding from 70mph dual carriageway on Caen Hill to 30mph as you come along the Bath Road. Other suggestions that could be considered include a crossing, pinch points, and the use of the SID. There is also a need to take account of highways improvements to Shanes Castle. ACTION –The Town Council are invited to comment on whether a crossing is required and if so where. (KN) |
| i. Footpaths along Folly Road | ACTION – Roundway PC to look at whether anything additional is required and if they wish to pursue it. |
| j. Double Yellow Lines | There is no budget for painting double yellow lines. However it is clear that many of them now need redoing. Currently repainting is being carried out if and when other repairs are being undertaken nearby. PW is looking at whether a budget can be found that allows them all to be done together |
| A361 proposal to provide safe crossing place on the dual carriage way | The works will cost approximately £16,400. £10k will be for traffic management The key question is whether this expenditure can be justified given the relatively few people who cross the road. A discussion was had on options available to make the road safer including introducing a 50mph limit or reducing the road to a single lane. However the former would result in criminalisation of drivers and the latter would by too expensive to consider Members of the group felt that hatching might work but the highways engineer doubted whether the impact would be great enough. It would also cost @£100k which would mean a substantive bid is required and it is very doubtful whether it would be viewed as a priority A decision on the crossing was deferred whilst views are sought from the neighbouring Parish Councils ACTION - Contact the 3 Parish Councils of Devizes, Potterne and Rowde, to see if they would support this scheme and are willing to contribute to it. (RR) |

Future CATG projects The eastern approach to Urchfont could benefit from improvements to the area around the bus stops. There is also a bus stop further up where a dropped kerb may be required and a hard standing put in. Great Cheverell may be looking in the near future to put an agenda item regarding HGVs and associated issues. Parish Councils were reminded that they can request items on the CATG agenda by raising an area board issue or contacting Richard Rogers. **AOB** KF asked whether Maryport Street would become a shared space or just resurfaced? The answer is that it is just to be resurfaced. Shared space is very expensive and would normally be only considered in an area such as the Market Place. Issue 2350 - An offer was made by the CATG in 2012 to pay for 50% of the cost of dropped kerbs in Chestnut Close in Rowde. Only recently has the parish council accepted the offer and the CATG were asked whether they would still fund them. The Parish Council has also asked for 50% funding towards another set of dropped kerbs. Whilst this is a separate issue, it was recognised that carrying out all the work at one time would be cost effective **RECOMMENDATION** – It was agreed that the CATG would still pay 50% of the costs for Issue 2350 and would consider any other requests on their merits. Quakers Walk - PW asked whether there would be support to resurface Quakers Walk using tarmac given that the current surface is inadequate. ACTION - Roundway PC and Devizes TC to obtain a view from their Parish Council on whether it should be resurfaced with tarmac, particularly from the gates up to the school (KN & SV)

Recommendations to Devizes Area Board

The area board is asked to agree the following recommendations:

RECOMMENDATION – That the CATG will pay 50% of the costs for dropped kerbs relating to Chestnut Close, Rowde (Issue 2350). This would be about £900

Date of next meeting - Monday 10th March, 10am, Wiltshire College, Devizes

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