# MARLBOROUGH AREA BOARD 7 February 20112

## <u>Community Area Transport Group Recommendations to Marlborough</u> <u>Area Board</u>

## 1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To provide an update on the position of the proposals from the CATG meeting that took place on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2012. Full minutes of this CATG meeting can be viewed at: http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council/areaboards/marlboroughareaboard.htm
- 1.2 To request the Area Board allocate a proportion of 2011/12 Community Area Transport Group funding to contribute to the two proposals set out below.

#### 2. Finances

- 2.1 Note the CATG budget for 2011/12. A balance of £13,600 was carried forward from the 2010/11 budget to give a total of £27,230 for 2011/12. This can be topped up by the Area Board, town/ parish councils and others. There will be no roll over to 2012/13 at the end of this financial year.
- 2.2 Expenditure to date on allocated projects was recorded as £24,383. This leaves the sum of £2,846 unspent during 2011/12. It was noted that this could not be rolled forward into 2012/13 and if unspent, this money would be lost.

## 3. Background

- 3.1 At the meeting of the Marlborough Community Area Transport Group meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> January 2012, the group heard a detailed description of the proposals from Marlborough Area Parish Forum to engage a nationally renowned transport consultant to look at transport and highways related issues in villages across the community area in a joined-up and strategic way. It should be noted that the Stage 1 Community Seminar, where the consultant will discuss the proposed solutions to issues identified has been confirmed for 13 March 2012 at 7.00pm in Kennet Valley Hall, Lockeridge.
- 3.2 The group heard that the public bench that is to be installed on the south side of Marlborough High Street had not yet been purchased. It was decided to allocate the £1,000 set aside for this bench to Fyfield & West Overton Parish Council so that they might purchase it on behalf of Marlborough Town Council before the end of the current financial year. Fyfield & West Overton Parish Council has now identified a

- bench within budget and negotiations are taking place with Marlborough Town Council to ensure it is suitable to them.
- 3.3 Other discussions showed that there had been concerns raised by St Peter's School, Marlborough that the zebra crossing on the A4 close to the school was unsafe. Wiltshire Council Highways has identified that the signs at the crossing need to be upgraded. It was agreed that the remaining funding in the CATG budget, £1,846 be used to upgrade this signage.

## 4. Summary of On-going Issues

- 4.1 It was noted that the rota by which Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) are periodically moved throughout the community area had ceased to happen and there were sites that had not yet had a SID installed. It was agreed that the Community Area Manager will contact Wiltshire Council Highways so that this rota might be re-established.
- 4.2 It should be noted that the group agreed that it should have the ability to call extraordinary CATG meetings as and when required to deal with particular business outside of the normal timetable of meetings.
- 4.3 It should be noted that there was a request for a list of new priority issues to be developed for the next scheduled CATG meeting due on 17<sup>th</sup> April, 2012. This meeting comes at the start of the new financial year.

#### 5. Recommendation

5.1 To support the recommendations from CATG meeting of 17 January 2012 as outlined above.

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Background Papers
CATG notes of 17.01.2012
Appendices
None