

<b>Report to</b>	<b>Malmesbury Area Board</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>16 January 2013</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>Small Scale Transport and Highway Improvement Schemes – Recommendations from Malmesbury Community Area Transport Group</b>

## **Purpose of Report**

To ask the area board to consider and approve the following recommendations from the Malmesbury Community Area Transport Group (CATG) outlined in this report and appendices and to:

1. Note the progress of the CATG and its priorities.
2. Approve the allocation of funding to projects.
3. Note any update about substantive bids.
4. Note the current financial situation.

## **1. Background**

- 1.1. In 2012/2013 the 18 Area Boards were again allocated a discretionary budget of £250,000 to involve them in the assessment and selection of small scale transport schemes to be progressed in their community areas. Malmesbury area board was allocated £13,360.
- 1.2. This funding allocation is for capital funding and can only be used to provide new and improved infrastructure. It is suitable for schemes that improve safety, increase accessibility and sustainability by promoting walking; cycling and public transport and improve traffic management. It cannot be used to fund maintenance schemes or to pay for revenue functions such as passenger transport.
- 1.3. Malmesbury area board agreed to the establishment of a Community Area Transport Group (CATG) to consider issues /schemes with the support of highways officers and make recommendations to the area board. The means by which the public and parishes can identify issues for consideration to the Malmesbury CATG is primarily via the [area board community issues process](#)

- 1.4. The current membership of the Malmesbury CATG comprises of Malmesbury area board councillors and a nominated representative from each division (see table below). All nominated representatives are willing to stand again. Membership for 2012/13 will be agreed elsewhere on this agenda.

<b>Division</b>	<b>Area Board councillor</b>	<b>Nominated representatives</b>
Malmesbury	Simon Killane	Catherine Doody
Sherston	John Thomson	Martin Rea
Brinkworth	Toby Sturgis	Ellen Blacker
Minety	Carole Soden	John Marsh

- 1.5. Representatives from parish councils and individuals who have submitted issue are also invited to attend CATG meetings.
- 1.6. Malmesbury CATG last met on 23 October 2012 and will next meet on 5 February 2013.
- 1.7. Malmesbury CATG minutes are available from the [Malmesbury area board pages](#) of the council's website to enable information to be readily available to parish/town councils and the wider community.

## **2. Recommendations from CATG**

- 2.1. The recommendations of Malmesbury CATG are contained in the action notes of the 23 October 2012 meeting (Appendix 1) and the priorities sheet (Appendix 2).
- 2.2. The progress of a wide range of schemes is noted (see Appendix 1).
- 2.3. The following schemes received substantive funding and officers have been devoting much of their time addressing these projects to ensure that they are in place by 31 March 2013:
- Provision of footway from White Hart PH to Church Walk, Ashton Keynes - £30,000
  - Pedestrian safety in Sherston High Street - £25,000
  - Provision of pavement in Silver Street, Minety - £15,000
- 2.4. Financial information is found in Appendix 3.
- 2.5. In time for the October CATG meeting the town council confirmed their willingness to contribute toward signage in Mill Lane (£700) and subsequently to support signage in Dark Lane (£700). With a contribution from Malmesbury CATG of £1,300 at each site and approval of the area board, this work can be completed, leaving a budget balance of **£1,946.78**.

### **3. Environmental & Community Implications**

- 3.1. Environmental and community implications were considered by the CATG during their deliberations. The funding of projects will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of environmental, social and community wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

### **4. Financial Implications**

- 4.1. All decisions must fall within the funding allocated to Malmesbury Area Board.

### **5. Legal Implications**

- 5.1. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

### **6. HR Implications**

- 6.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

### **7. Equality and Inclusion Implications**

- 7.1. The schemes recommended to the area board will improve road safety for all users of the highway.

<b>Appendices</b>	Appendix 1 – Malmesbury CATG Action Notes for 26 October 2012 Appendix 2 – Malmesbury Community Area Transport Group Priorities 2 Nov 2012 Appendix 3 - CATG Financial Summary Dec 2012
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