

Report to	Malmesbury Area Board
Date of Meeting	6 November 2013
Title of Report	Malmesbury Community Issues Update

Purpose of Report

To provide an update about Community Issues and invite members of the Area Board to:

1. Note the progress in dealing with issues.
2. Close 2 issues.
3. Refer 3 new issues to the Community Area Transport Group (CATG)

1. Background

- 1.1. One of the key roles of the area board is to help local people find solutions to things that are complex or non-routine which affect the community as a whole; not simply a few individuals.
- 1.2. The majority of routine problems can be dealt with by the council faster through direct contact and to help local people do this, the section of the area board web page has been updated to allow logging of simple issues direct with a person who can help them e.g. [Lost and stray dogs](#) and [Common road and highway problems \(CLARENCE\)](#). Where a problem does not fit into any of these categories or if the matter is causing widespread concern in the community, it should be reported to the Malmesbury area board via the [online community issue form](#).
- 1.3. At the time of writing (17 October 2013), a total of 155 community issues have been received, of which 138 have been closed and 17 are currently in progress.
- 1.4. If the area board approve the recommendations to close issues there will be 15 issues to progress by the area board, although some remain active but the responsibility of the Malmesbury Community Area Transport Group (CATG).

Background documents used in the preparation of this report	<p>Malmesbury community issues online at:</p> <p>http://portal.wiltshire.gov.uk/area_board/areaboard_issues_search.php?issue_location_in=Malmesbury</p> <p>http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/council/areaboards.htm</p>
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2. Main Considerations & Officer Recommendations

2.1. Progress of Issues

2.1.1. The progress of issues is outlined in Appendix 1. More detailed information is readily available to councillors and members of the public via [the area board website](#)

2.2. Closure of Issues

2.2.1. The area board are invited to close 2 issues. The reasons are self explanatory and can be found **emboldened** in Appendix 1.

- **Issue 2656** - Speeding on B4042 between Priory roundabout and Cowbridge, Malmesbury, (travelling towards Brinkworth). Community Speedwatch is about to be implemented which it is hoped will slow down traffic through raising awareness with local motorists. This will also be SID site.
- **Issue 2887** - Parking difficulties for tradesmen working in Malmesbury. Following further consideration by the town council they accept that the introduction of schemes other than the current Tradesman Waiver Scheme is unlikely in the near future.

2.3. Referral to CATG or being dealt with by CATG

2.3.1. Issues already being considered by Malmesbury Community Area Transport Group (CATG) are shown in italics, while new issues being recommended to be dealt with by the CATG are shown **emboldened and in italics** in Appendix 1 and are as follows:

- **Issue 3103** – Consideration of lining and signing on B4696, Ashton Keynes to help to reduce traffic speed.
- **Issue 3066** - Pedestrian safety concerns at Bendy Bow, Oaksey.
- **Issue 3129** - Request for a footpath in Great Somerford from 7 Dauntsey Road to the Old School Great Somerford.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

3.1. Addressing community issues contribute to the improvement of community wellbeing in the area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual issue.

4. Financial Implications

4.1. There are no specific financial implications related to this report.

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 opportunity to raise Community Issues enables individuals, voluntary and community groups, town and parish councils an equal opportunity to identify and seek assistance to address problematic issues.

Appendices:	Appendix 1 Update of Malmesbury Area Board Community Issues 6 November 2013.
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No unpublished documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report.

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