

<b>Report to</b>	<b>Malmesbury Area Board</b>
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	<b>5 March 2014</b>
<b>Title of Report</b>	<b>Small Scale Transport and Highway Improvement Schemes – Recommendations from Malmesbury Community Area Transport Group (CATG)</b>

## Purpose of Report

1. To ask the area board to consider and approve the recommendations from the Malmesbury Community Area Transport Group (CATG) outlined in this report and appendices.
2. Remind town/parish councils that a contribution of 25% is requested towards CATG schemes.

## 1. Background

- 1.1. In 2013/2014 Malmesbury area board was allocated a discretionary budget of £13,360 to involve them in the assessment and selection of small scale transport schemes to be progressed in their community area.
- 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 parish council representative from each electoral division. Membership for 2013/14 is as follows:

<b>Division</b>	<b>Area Board councillor</b>	<b>Nominated representatives</b>
Malmesbury	Simon Killane	Martyn Snell
Sherston	John Thomson	Martin Rea
Brinkworth	Toby Sturgis	Ellen Blacker
Minety	Chuck Berry	Duncan Lamb

- 1.5. Further information about how the CATGs operate can be found at <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/catg-area-boards-practice-papers.pdf>
- 1.6. Parish councils and individuals who have submitted issues being discussed by the CATG are also invited to attend CATG meetings.
- 1.7. Malmesbury CATG last met on 11 February 2014 and will next meet on 15 April 2014.

## 2. Recommendations from CATG and other information

- 2.1. Actions and outcomes of the Malmesbury CATG are contained in notes of the CATG meeting held on 11 February 2014 (see Appendix 1). Also available from the [Malmesbury area board pages](#) of the council's website.
- 2.2. The area board is asked to note and approve actions and recommendations of the Malmesbury CATG contained in Appendix 1 with keys issues highlighted below:
  - The current CATG budget balance for 2013/14 (see Appendix 2) is **£25,749** (excluding the decisions made at the CATG meeting but including the return of £5,000 following the decision not to proceed with a project in Minety).
  - The following work as been completed:
    - Pedestrian safety work in Sherston High Street.
    - Pedestrian safety work on Tetbury Hill/Filands junction and Tetbury Hill/Avenue de Gien mini roundabout.
    - The Traffic Regulation Orders for Dark Lane and Mill Lane, Malmesbury.
  - Parking congestion at Hillside, Leigh is still under discussion following consideration of new proposals.
  - Community issues referred to CATG by the area board in January were discussed:
    - [Issue 3103](#) *B4696 Ashton Keynes, concerns about traffic speed*. CATG agreed lining /signing costing £2,000 with the parish council contributing £500. The parish council would consider Gateway treatment and 'pedestrians in the road' signs and advise officers/CATG.
    - [Issue 3066](#) *Pedestrian safety at Bendy Bow, Oaksey*. CATG agreed to reverse vehicle priority, once written confirmation of acceptance from parish council had been received, including a contribution of 25% (£125). The parish council would consider submitting this stretch of road for a 20mph area.

- [Issue 3129](#) *Pedestrian safety from 7 Dauntsey Road to the Old School, Great Somerford.* CATG agreed to undertake a topographical survey costing £1,500, with the parish council contributing £375.
  - [Issue 3128](#) *Road safety request for installation of white gates at Charlton.* CATG agreed to move back the 30mph limit, installation of white gates and signage costing £5,000 following the parish council's consideration and agreement to contribute 25% (£1,250).
  - [Issue 3134](#) *Pedestrian safety – request for crossing in Corston.* CATG agreed to undertake a footfall survey costing £1,350 with the parish council agreeing to contribute 25% (£337.50).
  - [Issue 3151](#) *Concerns about speeding through Foxley Village and town end of Foxley Road (C68) (Following decision about C class roads).* CATG agreed to install a SDR in Foxley Village to monitor speed.
  - [Issue 3164 & 3190](#) *Pedestrian safety – request for crossing on A429 at Blicks Hill.* CATG agreed further investigation by officers.
- Feedback received from town/parish councils with regard to de-cluttering of signs was passed on to highways officers to be addressed.
  - 'Children playing' signs at Newnton Grove were on order.
  - The zebra crossing at Market Cross, Malmesbury had been re-whitened but as it was wearing already, this work would be repeated.
- 2.3. In future all issues referred to Malmesbury CATG would be assessed and scored to assist members of CATG to prioritise projects.
- 2.4. Malmesbury area board wish to remind parish councils that a condition of progressing schemes relied on parish councils consulting locally and demonstrating community support for schemes. They are also asked for a contribution of 25% towards the cost of schemes. Town/parish councils are reminded to consider this when setting their precepts.
- 3. 20mph Restrictions**
- 3.1. Town/parish councils were sent details of the council's new policy about 20mph limits/zones in January, with an invitation to submit suitable sites by 31 March 2014. Malmesbury CATG will consider all submissions in April and recommend two projects to the council for implementation.
- 4. Environmental & Community Implications**
- 4.1. 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.

## 5. Financial Implications

- 5.1. Malmesbury area board approved the recommendation of the CATG that town/parish councils should contribute 25% to all schemes.
- 5.2. All decisions must fall within the funding allocated to Malmesbury Area Board.
- 5.3. The balance of the CATG budget for 2013/2014 before actions agreed at the recent meeting was **£25,749**.

## 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 11 February 2014. Appendix 2 – Financial Summary – Malmesbury CATG
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