

SALISBURY LOCAL HIGHWAYS & FOOTWAYS IMPROVEMENT GROUP ACTION NOTES

	Item	Update	Actions and recommendations	Who
	Date of Meeting	25th May 2022		
1.	Attendees and apologies			
	Present:	Councillor Sven Hocking (SH) – Wiltshire Council – Chair Councillor Brian Dalton (BD) – Wiltshire Council Councillor Mark McClelland (MM) – Wiltshire Council Councillor Charles McGrath (CM) – Wiltshire Council Councillor Alan Bayliss (AB) – Salisbury City Council Peter Durnan (PD) – Cycle Opportunities Group Salisbury Margaret Willmot (MW) – Salisbury Area Greenspace P/Ship Yaro Pustarnakov (YP) – Salisbury City Council Pam Rouquette (PR) – Salisbury Walking Forum Graham Axtell (GX) – Wiltshire Council Paul Shaddock (PS) – Wiltshire Council		
	Apologies:	Councillor Caroline Corbin (CC) – Wiltshire Council Councillor Paul Sample (CPS) – Wiltshire Council Councillor Mary Webb (MW) – Wiltshire Council Councillor Tom Corbin (TC) – Salisbury City Council Lynne Davies (LD) – Salisbury City Council Marc Read (MR) – Salisbury City Council Patricia Podger (PP) – Elizabeth House		

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2.	Notes of last meeting			
		<p>The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed at the Salisbury Area Board meeting on the 10th March 2022.</p> <p>The Salisbury Area Board minutes can be found at:</p> <p>https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=168&MId=13927&Ver=4</p>	That the update is noted.	Area Board
3.	Financial Position			
		<p>As a result of the change from CATGs to LHFIGs the annual Salisbury LHFIG budget allocation has been doubled. The annual allocation for the group now stands at £28,360.</p> <p>There is currently £28,360 still unallocated.</p>	That the update is noted.	Area Board
4.	Top 5 Priority Schemes			
a)	<p>Issue No: 6204</p> <p>Request for the introduction of measures to stop fly tipping from occurring in Gradidge Lane</p>	<p>Work delayed due to Ringway not having received delivery of solar powered streetlights. Installation of new streetlight at the Stratford Road end of Gradidge Lane is programmed to take place on the 10th June 2022. Signage to make the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) enforceable will be erected on the same date.</p>	That the update is noted.	Area Board
b)	<p>Various improvements to the Bishopdown Estate</p>	<p>Ringway have been unable to programme work on a walk and build basis yet. Ringway have provisionally programmed works to take place during the third week of July 2022.</p>	That the update is noted.	Area Board
c)	<p>Waiting Restriction Requests</p>	<p>Signing and linings work programmed to take place between 20th-24th June 2022.</p>	That the update is noted.	Area Board

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<p>d)</p>	<p>Issue No: 12-20-5</p> <p>Request to address local concerns around an increased use of Milford Mill Road by vehicular traffic and its continued use by HGVs.</p>	<p>Draft proposals issued to local Wiltshire Council member and LHFIG Chair for comment. Proposals include the provision of improved advanced warning signs of the weight limit on the A36, relocation of the weight limit terminal signs on New Petersfinger Road closer to the junction of the A36 to improve their conspicuity provision of HGV turning signs and the provision of advisory NO HGVS road markings. The estimated cost of these works is £12,500. This figure includes an allowance of £5,000 to complete the National Highways Design Check and Approval Process. It should be noted that although this project is being developed in coordination with the Southern Wiltshire Area Board all the proposed measures would be located within the Salisbury Area Board boundary.</p> <p>Southern Wiltshire LHFIG considered this matter at their meeting on the 04/05/22. The Southern Wiltshire LHFIG felt that whilst the proposed signs on the A36 would be of benefit its provision did not offer value for money and did not support their provision. However, they did support the provision of the measures in New Petersfinger Road, in particular the provision of the advisory HGV marking and indicated that they may be prepared to consider funding this work, in part or total, if the Salisbury LHFIG chose not to.</p> <p>Cllr McLennan also suggested that if the Salisbury LHFIG were prepared to pay for the work in New Petersfinger Road in its entirety in return the Southern Wiltshire LHIFG could offer to meet the costs of the proposed 20mph speed limit extension in the Milford Mill Road area.</p> <p>The group are to discuss this issue and determine how they wish to proceed.</p>	<p>The group discussed this matter. SH, MM and CM expressed disappointment at the position taken by the Southern Wiltshire LHIFG. SH commented that the project was initiated on the basis moving forward jointly as both community areas would benefit from any measures introduced.</p> <p>SH also commented that he felt that the proposed signs for the A36 a critical element of the scheme and should be provided. The group supported this view.</p> <p>PS was asked to go back to the Southern Wiltshire LHFIG with the view of the group that they wished to see the whole scheme delivered with costs split on a 50/50 basis and report back to the next meeting of the group,</p>	<p>PS</p>
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e)	Maintenance of Street Nameplates	<p>A grant application for £9,500 to replace a total of 59 broken or missing street nameplates that were identified as needing replacing during 2021 was submitted to the Salisbury Area Board meeting in March 2022. The Salisbury Area Board allocated £5,000 towards this work.</p> <p>Group to decide if they want to allocate the remaining £4,500 to enable all 59 signs identified to be replaced. In addition to those signs a further 6 have been identified as needing replacing to date this year. If the group wished to replace these signs an additional £1,250 of funding would need to be allocated.</p> <p>If no further funding is allocated the signs identified as needing replacing during 2021 will be prioritised and as many as possible will be replaced.</p> <p>The group allocated £228.06 towards the repainting of street nameplates at the February meeting. As it stands a total of 20 street nameplates have been identified as needing repainting this year. If the group would like all 20 street name plates repainting an additional funding allocation of £522 would be required.</p> <p>If no further funding is allocated the signs identified as needing repainting will be prioritised and as many as possible will be repainted.</p>	<p>The group discussed this matter and wished to continue to support the work to repair and/or refurbish street nameplates.</p> <p>That the Area Board approves the allocation of £1,500 towards the replacement of broken or missing signs, and approves the allocation £522 to allow additional street nameplates to be repainted.</p> <p>SH commented that he felt that the replacement of street nameplates should be being funded through the Council's central highways maintenance budget. MM said that is something that could be considered in the future but would need to wait until the next funding review cycle before it would be considered further.</p>	Area Board
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5.	Other Priority schemes			
a)	Issue No: 12-20-2 The provision of additional cycle parking stands in Salisbury City Centre.	Transport Planning Team have requested that the proposed additional cycling parking stands are not installed in the High Street because they wish to reserve the space it is proposed to install the stands for the potential future installation of an e-bike dock. Instead of installing the cycle parking stands in High Street it is proposed to install them in Cheese Market. If the group support this approach the stands are programmed to be installed during the last week of June 2022.	The group supported this request and asked that the cycle parking stands be installed as soon as possible, MW asked if COGS could be advised of the exact locations within the Cheese Market in due course.	PS
b)	Issue No: 12-21-3 Request for the provision of a pedestrian crossing point on the A354 Coombe Road in the vicinity of Portland Avenue.	Ringway have provisionally programmed works to take place during the second week of July 2022.	That the update is noted.	Area Board

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c)	<p>Issue No: 12-21-5</p> <p>Request for the provision of a formal pedestrian crossing facility across Stratford Road in the vicinity of its junction with Waters Road.</p>	<p>Design work not yet commenced. To enable design to commence a topographical survey is required. The estimated cost of the topographical survey is £2,100.</p>	<p>SH asked if a scheme was to be progressed at this location what was the ball park figure for delivering it. PS advised it would be in the region of £25,000. SH commented that the full cost of the scheme would have to be met by the group which would take an entire year's budget allocation.</p> <p>MM commented that as the ward member for the area in question local residents had not raised this issue with him and as such he was unsure if there was a string need for such extensive changes</p> <p>The group asked PS to consider an alternative approach of seeking to make the existing pedestrian refuge wider. This would reduce the crossing distance slightly and make pedestrians feel less intimidated when using it. They asked PS to report back at the next meeting of the group.</p>	PS
d)	<p>Issue No: 12-21-6</p> <p>Request for a 20mph speed limit to be introduced covering the Fugglestone Red estate.</p>	<p>Awaiting decision as to whether the undertaking of all 20mph speed limit requests to be assessed during the 2022/2023 financial year will be undertaken internally or issued as a package of works to Atkins to progress. Decision expected by the end of June 2022. Once the decision is known the assessment will be progressed.</p>	<p>That the update is noted.</p>	Area Board

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e)	<p>Issue No: 12-21-8</p> <p>Request for lighting to improve the visibility of the steps leading from St. Michael's Road to Gainsborough Close.</p>	<p>Salisbury City Council have attended site and cleared as much vegetation as possible to improve the light spill from the nearby streetlight to the top of the steps. This resulted in a very minor improvement to the illumination of the top of steps when the trees and shrubs are not in leaf. However, when the trees and shrubs are in leaf the light spill will not reach the top of the steps.</p> <p>Having discussed this matter with the Council's Street Lighting Team to improve illumination of the steps it is proposed to relocate the existing nearby lighting column so that it is directly adjacent to the top of the steps and change it to a twin arm unit. This option would maintain the correct level of illumination for St. Michael's Road, improve illumination of the steps and minimise the council's ongoing maintenance liabilities by not installing an additional lighting column. The estimated cost of undertaking this work is £2,000.</p>	<p>That the Area Board approves the allocation of £2,000 to allow this work to be undertaken.</p>	Area Board
f)	<p>Issue No: 12-21-9</p> <p>Request for the provision of a handrail next to the steps Bishopdown Road and Linkway to address concerns around safe use of the steps.</p>	<p>Based on the discussions at the last meeting of the group there are three possible lengths of railing that could be provided. The lengths of railing are shown as Options 1, 2 and 3 on the plan attached as Appendix 1. The estimated costs of the options costs are as below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 1 – £2,880 • Option 2 – £2,160 • Option 3 – £3,180 • Options 1 and 2 – £5040 • Options 1, 2 and 3 – £8220 	<p>The group discussed this matter and agreed to support the delivery of Option 1.</p> <p>That the Area Board approves the allocation of £2,880 to allow this work to be undertaken.</p>	Area Board

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6.	New Requests / Issues			
a)	<p>Waiting Restriction Requests (2021)</p> <p>Requests for new or amendments to existing waiting restrictions.</p>	<p>Three requests for new or amendments to existing waiting restrictions were received during the annual waiting restriction process and supported by Salisbury City Council during 2021. Details of the requests are outlined in the document attached as Appendix 2.</p> <p>If the group wish to proceed with the introduction of waiting restrictions at the locations identified in Appendix 2 the estimated cost of the legal TRO work and on ground implementation costs would be £4,000.</p>	<p>The group discuss this matter and the issue at Item 6b. The group agreed to incorporate the issue at Item 6b into the scheme proposed at Item 6a.</p> <p>That the Area Board approves the allocation of £4,000 to allow this work to be undertaken.</p>	Area Board
b)	<p>Issue No: 12-22-03</p> <p>Request for the introduction of waiting restrictions in Lovett Green</p>	<p>A request for the introduction of waiting restrictions in Lovett Green has been received outside of the annual waiting restriction request process.</p> <p>A resident of Lovett Green has complained about vehicles continually parking in the turning head adjacent to Nos. 7-14 and have raised concerns over access to the flats, particularly by emergency services and have noted that ambulances have struggled to turn outside the flats due to the cars and 4x4s parked in the turning bay.</p> <p>During site visits to Lovett Green parking was observed to be taking place in the turning head but the parking did not restrict access to Nos 7-14 and would not have prevented vehicles from being able to turn around at that end of the road.</p> <p>During the site visits it was noted parking in the vicinity of No. 1 was potentially restricting access to spur of Lovett Green leading to Nos. 7-14 and that parking in the vicinity of No. 31 was</p>	<p>Please refer to the notes for Item 6a.</p>	Area Board

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		<p>restricting visibility at the junction with the service road to the garage block and partially obstructing the footway.</p> <p>The introduction of waiting restrictions to address these issues could be considered and taken forward at part of Item 6a if supported by the group.</p>		
c)	<p>Issue No: 12-22-05</p> <p>Request to provide upgrade the Zebra crossing equipment on the A3094 Netherhampton Road to improve its conspicuity and address safety concerns around its visibility.</p>	<p>A request has been received to upgrade the Zebra crossing equipment on Netherhampton Road to incorporate the Simmons signs Modupost system. The posts (or lighting columns) that Belisha Beason are mounted on at Zebra crossings are typically painted black and white. The Simmons signs Modupost is a system whereby the white parts of the post are illuminated by LEDs.</p> <p>To provide this system at Netherhampton Road would require the replacement of the two existing lighting columns that the Belisha Beacons are mounted with the two new columns incorporating the Modupost system. The Street Lighting Team have advised that the estimated cost of installing the Modupost system would be £10,000.</p> <p>It should be noted that the recommended site stopping distances for this crossing, as set out in the Traffic Sign Regulations & General Directions, are met. However, a tree located in a private garden and overhanging the public highway is currently compromising visibility of the Belisha Beacon on the northern side of the road for vehicles travelling east. The Area Highway Office have been asked to address this issue.</p>	<p>BD explained the need for the Zebra crossing equipment at this location to be upgraded. The group supported the upgrading of the Zebra crossing equipment in principle.</p> <p>BD and SH both acknowledged the relatively high cost of this work within the context of the group's overall financial allocation. SH asked PS to see if there was any S106 funding available that could be used to fund the proposed upgrade of the Zebra crossing equipment at this location and report back to the next meeting of the group.</p>	PS

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d)	Issue No: 12-22-06 Request for the installation of bollard in Friary Lane to prevent fly tipping	The Housing Department have requested the installation of two bollards in Friary Lane to prevent vehicles pulling up at the side of Romsey House / rear of Fountains House and fly tipping. The estimated cost of undertaking this work would be £850.	The group voted not to support this issue. The group asked that this issue be closed and asked that the originator of the issue is informed accordingly.	PS
7.	Closed Items			
a)	Issue No: 12-22-01 Safety concerns for cyclists exiting Avon Approach into Castle Street.	The originator of this query has raised concerns about visibility of/for cyclists as they exit Avon Approach into Castle Street when buses are stopped in the bus stop outside of Iceland. As discussed at the last meeting the group felt that relocation of the bus stop would be the best option. This option has been discussed with the Council's Passenger Transport Unit (PTU). PTU have advised that the stop could not be relocated in the short term without a suitable alternative location being available. However, they advised that the stop is currently being used by additional services following changes made to where services stopped because of the Beehive Park and Ride site being used as a COVID test site, including some buses which lay over for up to seven minutes. They advised that the number of buses using the stop should be reduced once the Beehive Park and Ride site reopened as a car park, which would improve the situation. However, the PTU caveated that advice by saying discussions around changes to the bus stops as result of the reopening of the Beehive Park and Ride site were currently being considered.	The group noted the advice provided by the PTU and felt this would bring some improvement to the situation. In the short term as the relocation of the bus stop was not possible the group asked that this issue be closed, and that the originator of the issue is informed accordingly.	PS

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b)	<p>Issue No: 12-22-04</p> <p>Request to consider the reversal of the one-way system in the Dews Road area</p>	<p>A resident of Dews Road has requested that consideration be given to the reversal of the one way system in the Dews Road area so that traffic enters the area via North Street and leaves via Dews Road to address anecdotal problems with speeding, high volume of traffic using the road and issues with HGVs and coaches entering the road and having to be guide back out onto Fisherton Street / South Western Road or the introduction of traffic calming.</p> <p>A similar issue was considered by the group in 2017. A traffic survey undertaken in response to that issue indicated that the 85th percentile speed of traffic using Dews Road was 16.6mph (the average speed was 13.7mph) and the road was subject to an extremely low level of use by HGVs. A check of the collision database for Dews Road for the previous 15 years indicated that there have been no recorded collisions within that period. It is suggested that a traffic survey in undertaken in Dews Road to determine if speeding and or HGVs use of the road is now causing a problem and the result reported back to the next meeting of this group.</p>	<p>The group discussed this request in detail. Although the group acknowledged the concerns raised by the originator of this issue, they noted the results of the 2017 traffic survey and considered it unlikely that the volume and speed of traffic using Dews Road was unlikely to have significantly altered since then. The group also felt that reversing the one-way system would increase the volume of traffic entering the mini roundabout at Fisherton Railway bridge and that was extremely undesirable.</p> <p>The group voted not to support this issue. The group asked that this issue be closed and asked that the originator of the issue is informed accordingly.</p>	PS
c)	<p>Issue No: 12-22-06</p> <p>Request for the installation of bollard in Friary Lane to prevent fly tipping</p>	<p>The Housing Department have requested the installation of two bollards in Friary Lane to prevent vehicles pulling up at the side of Romsey House / rear of Fountains House and fly tipping.</p> <p>The estimated cost of undertaking this work would be £850.</p>	<p>The group voted not to support this issue. The group asked that this issue be closed and asked that the originator of the issue is informed accordingly.</p>	PS

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8.	Other Items			
a)	Highway Maintenance Update	<p>GX advised that due to budget reductions a number of proposed schemes have been removed from the 2022/2023 programme:</p> <p><u>Carriageway Schemes:</u></p> <p><u>Removed Schemes</u></p> <p>Faraday Road, Old Blandford Road, London Road (St. Thomas's Roundabout) have been removed from the programme</p> <p><u>Completed Works</u></p> <p>Devizes Road Phase 2 (Harper Road to Highbury Avenue) and Centurion Close works have been completed.</p> <p><u>Surface Dressing</u></p> <p>A354 Coombe Road from St. Andrews Way to the Coombe Bissett gateway.</p> <p>Phillips Lane from Stratford Sub Castle Bridge to the A345.</p> <p><u>Surfacing</u></p> <p>Hamilton Road, Ravenscroft, Windsor Road, and Windsor Street</p> <p><u>Micro Asphaltting</u></p>	<p>SH expressed his extreme disappointment that the Downton Road improvements had yet again been delayed and indicated that it would be raising this matter at a senior level.</p> <p>That the update is noted.</p>	Area Board

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		<p>Old Castle Road, Romer Road, The Beeches and Wessex Road.</p> <p>Sites in Herbert Road, The Valley and Western Way are awaiting assessment by Atkins to determine what works can be undertaken given the underlying concrete road foundations.</p> <p><u>Footways Schemes:</u></p> <p><u>Resurfacing</u></p> <p>Radnor Road</p> <p><u>Slurry Seal</u></p> <p>Stratford Road (both sides between St Lawrence Close to the School).</p> <p><u>Delayed Schemes</u></p> <p>Downton Road.</p>		
9.	Date of Next Meeting:	7 th September 2022		

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1. Environmental & Community Implications

1.1. Environmental and community implications were considered by the LHFIG 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.

2. Financial Implications

2.1. All decisions must fall within the Highways funding allocated to Salisbury Area Board.

2.2. If funding is allocated in line with LHFIG recommendations outlined in this report, and all relevant 3rd party contributions are confirmed, Salisbury Area Board will have a remaining highways funding balance of £ 17,458 in the LHFIG allocation available for the 2022/2023 financial year.

3. Legal Implications

3.1. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

4. HR Implications

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

5. Equality and Inclusion Implications

5.1 The schemes recommended to the Area Board will improve road safety for all users of the highway.

6. Safeguarding implications

There are no specific safeguarding implications related to this report.