

Pewsey Local Highways & Footway Improvement Group

	Item	Update	Actions and recommendations	Who
Pewsey LH & FIG – Notes of virtual meeting held on 4th May 2022 at 14:00 hrs				
1.	Attendees and apologies			
		<p>Attendees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr Jerry Kunkler (Chair) Cllr Paul Oatway Margaret Holding (Easton Royal PC) Andrew Flack (Upavon PC) Dawn Wilson (Wilcot Huish & Oare PC) Colin Gale (Rushall PC) John Brewin (Woodborough PC) Christopher Chapman (Chirton & Conock PC) Tom Ellen (North Newnton PC) Ed Nelson (Grafton PC) Vanya Body (Froxfield PC) Matt Perrott (Area Highway Engineer) Phil Rushmere (Traffic Engineer) Mark Stansby Snr Traffic Engineer) 	Area Board to note.	AB
		<p>Apologies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Richard Netherclift (Manningford PC) Mike Lockhart (Shalbourne PC) Dianah Shaw (Shalbourne PC) Steve Colling (Burbage PC) Clair Wilkinson (Great Bedwyn PC) Cindy Creasy (Wootton Rivers PC) 		

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2.	Notes of last meeting			
		The notes of the previous CATG meeting held on 9 th February 2022 were presented to the Area Board on 28 th February 2022, passing all recommendations.	LH&FIG to note.	All
3.	Proposed change from CATGs to Local Highways & Footway Improvement Groups			
		The proposed changes were approved by Cabinet on 26 th April. The new Terms of Reference and Guidance Notes were summarised at the meeting. Full details are included as Appendix 5.	Area Board to note	AB
4.	Financial Position			
		The current balance for 2021/22, less previous commitments, stands at £17,533.75 (see Appendix 1). The opening balance for 2022/23, less previous commitments stands at £30,045.75 (see Appendix 2).	Area Board to note	AB
5.	Priority schemes			
a)	Issue 6915 North Newnton – request for Phase 2 of Footway project – to link phase 1 to a point by the former garage	Issue submitted 02/01/19 Confirmation that this project is to be constructed using the following funding streams: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CATG / LH&FIG £5,000 • Section 106 £12,800 • Substantive Highways Schemes Fund £47,200 	Area Board to note	Cllr Kunkler

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		<p>Construction programmed to commence on 24/01/23 for a duration of 25 days under a road closure.</p> <p>Parish Council are disappointed by this timescale, which is influenced by availability of the Contractor, booking of road space and timing of the road closure.</p>		
b)	<p>Issue 10-20-3</p> <p>Rushall Elm Row Phase 2 – Bus Shelter to Manor Cottage continuation of footway.</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Rushall Parish Council on 30/01/20</p> <p>The site will first need to be cleared of vegetation and shrubbery to enable a topo survey to take place.</p> <p>The estimates are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site clearance - £3550 • Topo Survey - £2,000 <p>It was noted that the LHFIG had already committed £5,000 towards this project and the Parish would contribute up to £2,000 to enable this preliminary work to be done.</p>	Highways to arrange to enable completion of design.	Highways
c)	<p>Issue 10-20-9</p> <p>Chirton – request for 20 mph speed limit assessment</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Chirton Parish Council on 24/11/20</p> <p>Area of concern excludes A342. Speed Limit assessments are charged at £2,500 and would include all side roads within the village.</p> <p>Parish Council have requested Traffic Surveys to establish current speeds and are awaiting the results.</p>	Area Board to note	Cllr Kunkler
d)	<p>Issues 5998 & 10-20-4</p> <p>C351 Rushall Pewsey Road – request to consider traffic calming measures</p>	<p>Issues submitted on 11/01/18 and 07/07/20</p> <p>Wiltshire’s Freight Management Policy review has been placed on hold whilst National Highways considers their own Policy on the trunk road network for the Southwest.</p>	Area Board to note	Cllr Kunkler

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e)	<p>Issue 10-21-2</p> <p>Woodborough C261 (West End of village) – request to extend kerbing and / or footway</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Woodborough PC on 20/01/21</p> <p>An estimate (obtained in 2021) from Scottish & Southern to relocate an electricity support pole and to provide new cable spans amounted to £19,400 which was discounted as not offering value for money. A request to relocate the stay wire to this pole has also been refused by Scottish and Southern as not feasible. Highways have explored a third option, to leave a short gap within the proposed footway and to provide drop kerbs to allow pedestrians to step into the carriageway to walk around the pole.</p> <p>However, following a safety appraisal of this third option, Highways have concluded that the only way to move this project forward is to relocate the pole, and suggested that this project is split into two phases, to spread costs over a longer period.</p> <p>The Parish has accepted this suggestion and the group were content to support this and agreed to undertake a topo survey estimated at £2,000. Parish were content to offer 20% towards this cost.</p>	<p>To recommend to the Area Board an allocation of £1,600.</p> <p>Highways to order a Topo Survey</p>	<p>Cllr Kunkler</p> <p>Highways</p>
f)	<p>Issue 10-21-4</p> <p>B3087 Easton Royal – speeding through 30 mph limit – request for village gates</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Easton Royal Parish Council on 10/03/21</p> <p>A drawing of the scheme is shown as Appendix 3 for information.</p> <p>The construction pack is being prepared and will be issued to the contractor shortly. Installation is anticipated by the end of July.</p> <p>The estimate is £3,157.34 inclusive of a 20% contingency</p>	<p>Area Board to note.</p>	<p>Cllr Kunkler</p>

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g)	<p>Issue 10-21-11</p> <p>A342 Manor Farm Conock and A342 bridleways CHIR 15 and 11 – Request for horse and rider warning signs</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Chirton & Conock Parish Council on 25/08/21</p> <p>The signs have been installed and have been welcomed by the local horse riding community.</p> <p>Regrettably, one sign has caused some upset with a local householder and following a site meeting, Highways have agreed to relocate it and arrangements are in hand to address this.</p>	Area Board to note.	Cllr Kunkler
h)	<p>Issue 10-22-5</p> <p>Froxfield Church Lane – request for access protection markings</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Froxfield Parish Council on 25/01/22</p> <p>Highways to arrange for access protection markings to be painted at each end of the green, as part of their next round of ad hoc road marking work.</p>	Area Board to note.	Cllr Kunkler
i)	<p>Issue 10-22-6</p> <p>A345 Upavon to North Newton – request for Deer Warning Signs</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Upavon Parish Council on 27/01/22</p> <p>An order has been placed to install 2 x deer warning signs. Installation is anticipated by the end of June.</p>	Area Board to note.	Cllr Kunkler
6.	New Requests and ongoing Issues			
a)	<p>Issue 5999</p> <p>C351 Rushall Pewsey Road – request for study into volume of traffic using this route.</p>	<p>Issue submitted on 11/01/18</p> <p>Issue has been on hold in anticipation of a new Freight Management Policy.</p> <p>Under the new Terms of Reference, groups can no longer fund freight assessments.</p>	To recommend to the Area Board that this Issue is closed.	Cllr Kunkler

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b)	<p>Issue 6374 & 6541</p> <p>Upavon – repositioning of No Entry Signs</p>	<p>Issues submitted on 08/06/18 & 31/07/18</p> <p>A Briefing Note has been prepared and is included as Appendix 4.</p> <p>The Parish representative asked for this issue to be deferred to allow the Parish more time to consider matters.</p>	<p>Area Board to note.</p> <p>Parish to consider</p>	<p>Cllr Kunkler</p> <p>PC</p>
c)	<p>Issue 10-21-6</p> <p>North Newnton Park Road junction with Rushall Road – sight line issue</p>	<p>Issue submitted by North Newnton Parish Council on 25/05/21</p> <p>Development of the former garage site is nearing completion. Area Highway Engineer has agreed to refresh the SLOW markings on approach to the junction.</p> <p>Issue to remain on the agenda until the markings have been painted.</p>	<p>Highways to refresh markings</p>	<p>Highways</p>
d)	<p>Issue 10-21-9</p> <p>A354 Pewsey Fordbrook Bus Stop – request for Bus Shelter</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Pewsey Parish Council</p> <p>The Parish are to update the LHFIG on the type of shelter they wish to see installed. Issue was deferred until the next meeting.</p>	<p>Area Board to note.</p> <p>Parish to consider</p>	<p>Cllr Kunkler</p> <p>PC</p>
e)	<p>Issue 10-21-12</p> <p>C52 Safety and Speed between Manningford and Wilcot</p>	<p>Issue Submitted by Manningford Parish Council on 26/10/21</p> <p>Parish have highlighted incidents at the two cross roads, Cross Hayes and Little Abbots, and have concerns about the whole route.</p> <p>Cllr Oatway to arrange a meeting involving Parish representatives, Mark McClelland (Cabinet Member) and Highway Officers to discuss improvement options now that internal restrictions are lifted on holding face to face meetings.</p>	<p>Meeting to be arranged</p>	<p>Cllr Oatway</p>

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f)	<p>Issue 10-22-1</p> <p>A338 East Grafton (western approach to village) – Speeding concerns</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Grafton Parish Council on 12/01/22</p> <p>Data obtained by the Parish’s SID indicate that there is a speeding issue. Parish have suggested Speed limit Countdown signs on approach to the 30 mph limit. Highways advised that countdown markers, which are used by some Highway Authorities, are not prescribed for use and Wiltshire will not consider these as an option.</p> <p>Highways reminded the group of the “recent” projects undertaken within the village on behalf of the CATG and Parish which included a review of speed limit repeater signs, introduction of carriageway roundels and installation of white gates, all aimed at reducing speed within the village.</p> <p>Parish representative confirmed that a survey had been requested and we await the results.</p>	<p>Area Board to note.</p>	<p>Cllr Kunkler</p>
g)	<p>Issue 10-22-2</p> <p>Great Bedwyn The Knapp – Parking concerns</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Great Bedwyn Parish Council on 20/01/22</p> <p>Parish request the extension of white access protection markings on the bend prior to the rail station. Highways advised that these have been deployed extensively in the area already and have been extended beyond their intended purpose. Highways suggested that formal parking controls (double yellow lines) be considered to address these issues.</p> <p>Highways confirmed that ongoing monitoring shows that the number of rail users has yet to return to 2019 levels and that there are no current proposals to extend off-road parking facilities for the station.</p> <p>LHFIG to await Parish reaction.</p>	<p>Area Board to note.</p> <p>Parish to consider</p>	<p>Cllr Kunkler</p> <p>PC</p>

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h)	<p>Issue 10-22-3</p> <p>A346 Leigh Hill – Request for Calming Measures</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Burbage Parish Council on 23/01/22</p> <p>Safety concerns at junction of Three Oak Hill Drive</p> <p>It was noted that the side road is in private ownership and therefore the owners could display a sign to promote a right turn ban onto the main road, although this would not be mandatory.</p> <p>Highways to undertake a site visit with the Parish representative to consider signing options on the main road.</p>	<p>Area Board to Note</p> <p>Highways to arrange site meeting, delayed due to tree felling work in this area.</p>	<p>Cllr Kunkler</p> <p>Highways</p>
i)	<p>Issue 10-22-4</p> <p>Burbage (4 locations) – request for Horse Warning Signs</p>	<p>Issue submitted by Burbage Parish Council on 23/01/22</p> <p>A site meeting has been held with the Parish and local Rider representing several stables.</p> <p>It was agreed that the main concern is at a crossing point on the A346, close to the Service Station. Other access issues to be investigated by the Parish.</p> <p>Warning signs could be installed here for a ball park estimate of £500 each, inclusive of temporary traffic management. The Parish has offered up to £500 as a contribution.</p> <p>Group content to proceed with the signs, noting the Parish offer of 50% contribution.</p>	<p>To recommend to the Area Board that this Issue is added to the Priority Schemes List and to allocate £500.</p> <p>Highways to proceed with installation.</p>	<p>Cllr Kunkler</p> <p>Highways</p>
j)	<p>Issue 10-22-7</p> <p>Chirton The Street – request for raised curbs to combat verge erosion to land in front of church</p>	<p>New Issue submitted by Chirton & Conock Parish Council on 07/03/22.</p> <p>Request for approximately 57 metres of curbing to improve conditions by the church. Issue particularly bad during wet weather conditions.</p>	<p>Area Board to note</p> <p>Highways to arrange site meeting</p>	<p>Cllr Kunkler</p> <p>Highways</p>

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		Following a discussion it was agreed that Highways would meet with the Parish to establish full requirements in order to prepare a ball park estimate.		
7.	Other items			
a)	Pavement and Footway Improvement Schemes	Matt Perrott, Area Highway Engineer, has met with Parish representatives and is now awaiting confirmation of funding.	Area Board to note	Cllr Kunkler
b)	Deadline for submitting LHFIG Requests.	All requests are to be submitted two weeks prior to a meeting taking place. Requests received after the deadline will be held until the following meeting. The deadline for our next meeting is therefore 6 th July 2022.	To note	All
8.	Dates of future meetings: 20th July, 26th October and 25th January 2023, commencing at 14:00 hrs. The July meeting to be held on-line.			

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Highways Traffic Officer – Mark Stansby

Area Highway Engineer – Matt Perrott

1. Environmental & Community Implications

1.1. Environmental and community implications were considered by the LH & FIG 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 Pewsey Area Board.

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2.2. If funding is allocated in line with LH&FIG recommendations outlined in this report, and all relevant 3rd party contributions are confirmed, Pewsey Area Board will have a remaining Highways funding balance of **£30,395.75**

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

6.1 There are no specific Safeguarding implications related to this report.

7. Recommendations to Pewsey Area Board

7.1 To close the following Issues: 5999, Rushall Pewsey Road Freight Study

7.2 To add the following Issues (with funding) to the Priority Schemes List: 10-22-4 Burbage Horse Warning Signs, £500

7.3 To allocate funding to Issues on the Priority Schemes List: 10-21-2 Woodborough Footway, £1,600