

Warminster Area Board Issue Report for 5 September 2013

New issues reported since last Area Board:

1. Traffic concerns in Woodcock Road

The Town Council (Development Committee) has requested that the Area Board considers traffic issues in Woodcock Road towards Boreham Road where children need to access the primary schools. A petition has also been received from residents. A metro count will be undertaken in the first instance and the issue will also be discussed at the Community Area Transport Group (CATG) meeting on 24 September.

2. Congestion in Market place

The Town Council (Development Committee) has requested that the Community Area Transport Group (CATG) consider lining or box junction markings at turnings into the Maltings and Wilsons and Kennard's yard. This would be to ease congestion. This issue will be discussed at the CATG meeting on 24 September and Wiltshire Council officers are investigating.

3. Carbuncle outside Batchelor's cycle shop

The Development Committee of the Town Council have requested that the carbuncle outside Batchelor's cycle shop is removed to ease congestion. Wiltshire Council officers are investigating this issue and it will be discussed at the CATG meeting on 24 September.

4. Traffic concerns Bath Road (roundabout)

A letter has been received from a local resident regarding the roundabout outside her property near Crusader Park / Roman Way citing lack of footways. Wiltshire Council officers investigating and will be heard at CATG meeting on 24 September.

Ongoing issues under investigation:

1. Central Car Park

Parking on approach road to central car park. This issue was discussed at the Community Area Transport Group meeting on 18 June and Highways officers will be investigating the options to improve the situation. Unfortunately this is an "unadopted" road which means that Wiltshire Council cannot introduce waiting restrictions nor enforce any restrictions. The Community Area Manager will investigate ownership of the road in the first instance.

Possible solutions may be for the owners to restrict waiting or for Wiltshire Council to adopt the road. To be discussed at CATG on 24 September.

2. Overgrown trees

This issue is regarding tall evergreen trees which are too close to houses in Morley Field. They are on the edge of parking area & entrances to first houses on the right once in Morley Field. CAM has asked the Area Co-ordinator to investigate.

3. Caravans entering Longleat via Geys Hill, Lane End, Corsley

An issue has been raised regarding caravans entering Longleat to and from the A362 at Lane End Corsley via Geys Hill. Residents and workers are affected by this traffic which blocks the roads and causes potential danger according to the complainant.

This issue was discussed at the Community Area Transport Group meeting (CATG) on 18 June 2013.

Members of the Parish Council and residents were in attendance.

It was agreed that:

A meeting has been scheduled for the 3 September between the Parish Council, residents, Wiltshire Council and the Longleat estate managers.

4. Dropped kerbs

A resident has suggested that more dropped kerbs are required in the Macefield Way, Shelly Way, Broxburn Road to access the shops. This was discussed at CATG on 18 June. Wiltshire Council Officers investigating and costing. Town Council to consider potential usage of the route. To be heard at CATG meeting on 24 September.

5. Signage in Warminster Town

Issues raised by Economy and Tourism Group of Warminster and Villages Community Partnership.

A walk around the town took place on Wednesday 6 February. Wiltshire Council Highways team, the Community Area Manger, member of the Tourism Group and the Town Clerk covered the whole of the central area and checked all of the street signs.

Better signage also required for Western Car Park.

This was discussed at CATG on 18 June and officers are drawing up plans and costings for the work. To be discussed again at CATG on 24 September.

Issues Resolved and Closed since July 2013

1. Fairfield Road Car Park

Surface water along the Furlong finding its way to resident's path & door. Wiltshire Council engineers have visited site. There is no drainage required due to the cross fall within the highway. The house is in a low spot. All houses in the area drain their roof water into the street and not into the underground system, historically. There is a small soakaway. The water could be redirected from the home with a ridge / ramp but resident needs wheelchair access so this cannot be done. Issue has been closed as resolution not possible. Resident aware of this.

2. Sambourne Road School

There have been reports of inconsiderate parking by parents when dropping of children causing congestion. Community Area Manager has contacted Head Teacher. The school will be urging parents not to park inconsiderately or illegally in their weekly newsletter.

These will be passed to the area co-ordinator to sign post depending on location.

Further details / actions and outcomes can be viewed at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards including reporting of issues.

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