



Area Board Project
1. What is the Initiative?
Pipe and fill in ditch at side of road, make a lay-by for car parking and allow free flow of traffic along Spout Lane, Sells Green, Seend
2. Where is the initiative taking place?
Spout Lane, Sells Green, Seend
3. When will the initiative take place?
The work has been picked up by the Highways Drainage Team and has already started
4. What are the Community benefits/evidence of need/links to Community Plan/Community Issue?
<p>For many years Spout Lane has become a difficult and narrow route due to car parking for Canal and local use. This has been exacerbated by the use of satellite navigation systems which make Spout Lane a through route. In recent months large vehicles, including a fire engine have found passage along Spout Lane almost impossible due to car parking difficulties.</p> <p>Road and pavement maintenance backlog and improving the condition and cleanliness of roads and pavements is a top public priority in Seend. Parishioners in this area of Seend have raised the issue of car parking, safety for walkers, access through the lane and to the K & A Canal over several years.</p> <p>The Melksham Area Transport Committee has made this work one of the top four priorities in the Area and this was supported by the Area Board.</p>
5. What is the desired outcome of this initiative?
By improving the state of the lane, and providing improved car parking, access for large vehicles and safety for walkers in this area will be greatly improved. The area is close by a popular canal-side pub, a caravan and camping site and has access onto the K & A Canal. It will also provide better access for emergency vehicles.
6. Who will Project Manage this initiative?
Danny Everett, Highways Officer, Wiltshire Council
7. Costs/quotes/ match funding? (total cost £5k require 1 quote, total cost £5k-25k require 3 quotes)
Wiltshire Council is using its own drainage gangs for this work at agreed matrix costs for plant machinery and materials. These costs are significantly less than Mouchel matrix costs which make the project feasible. An estimate from Mr Everett is attached. The Community

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contribution to assist and replenish the Drainage Budget is £3000 from Seend Parish Council (which has been agreed), £3000 from the Area Transport Grant (to be discussed at the Area Transport Meeting on 21st February) and £3000 is requested as a Councillor Initiated Project Grant by Councillor Seed as the Local member.

8. Additional information

This project is supported by the Area Highways Manager but the Transport Department is unable to prioritise the funding of this project, when compared against other priorities, without a significant Community Contribution. This has been negotiated by Councillor Seed in order to drive this project to fruition.