

Devizes Community Area Transport Group – 7 March 2019 – Action Tracker

	Item	Update	Actions and Recommendations	Who
1	Apologies and Attendees			
		<p>Apologies: Chris Greenham, Devizes TC; Fred Davies, Market Lavington PC</p> <p>Present: Kelvin Nash, Devizes TC; Peter Evans, Wiltshire Council; Marcia Blackman, Wiltshire Council; Richard Slack, Worton PC; Gareth Rogers, Wiltshire Council; Philip Whitehead, Wiltshire Council; Andrew Jack, Wiltshire Council</p>		
2	Notes of last meeting			
3	Financial Position			
			GR says there is approx. £9,000 remaining in the budget.	
4	Top 5 Priority Schemes			
a)	Issue 4843 A360 Devizes to Potterne Footpath Extension	<p>Land is owned by private individual - discussions ongoing with the person in question. At the moment the amount of land being offered for the land is not sufficient to create a safe path. An independent Road Safety Audit has been completed and highlighted that the extent of land dedication is not sufficient to provide the maximum benefit.</p> <p>Letter has been sent to the Land Owner advising that the scheme will not be progressed with the extent of the current offer. If no further response is received issue to be closed and removed.</p>	<p>Not had any contact with landowner for several years. Has not responded when CATG has asked them to reconsider. CATG agreed to update Issues and to close this but leave it visible on system.</p>	

		No further response has been received from the property owner. (Priority No.01)		
b)	Issue 5202 All Canning's 20mph	CATG discussed and committed to scheme as a priority – 14.06.17. Assessment completed and sent to the Parish Council who has outlined their support. Discussed by the CATG at meeting on 31.01.18 and remainder of funding for 17/18 allocated to the scheme. Remainder of funding to be received from PC. Added to works program for 2018/19. All work has been completed – Close issue. (Priority No.02)	Work is complete. CATG agreed to close Issue and remove from system.	
c)	Issue 5421 High Street Worton - Speeding	CATG discussed and committed to scheme as a priority – 14.06.17. Assessment completed and sent to the Parish Council who has outlined their support. Discussed by the CATG at meeting on 31.01.18. And remainder of funding for 17/18 allocated to the scheme. Remainder of funding to be received from PC. Added to works program for 2018/19. Traffic orders have been advertised – No Objection. Restriction to be implemented in conjunction with carriageway maintenance works, due to need to remove old gateway. This is to minimise cost impact. As yet, date for works unknown. Cost estimate to deliver is £4,324. (Priority No.03)	In progress Works ordered for April / May '19, needs to get road closure booked in for confirmation. Removal of old gateway involves taking away existing red surfacing as this does not coincide with new speed limit locations. PC contribution confirmed at £1,250.	
d)	Issue 6120 Lydeaway - Request for speed limit reduction	<i>The speed limit or rather the lack of on the A 342 road between Lydeaway and Stert village entrance. When exiting the entrance of The Clock Inn Park the visibility is poor in both directions. Seeing that a lot of money has been spent on the work carried out in recent months on the renovation of the pathway between The Clock Inn Park and the entrance to Stert village which means more of the people from The clock Inn Park are using the pathway some of which have mobility scooters are finding it very difficult in crossing the road</i>	PC has confirmed go ahead of project. CATG happy to accept it. GR to commission consultants.	

		<p><i>because of the speed of traffic which in some cases is in excess of the 60 miles per hour limit. In the last year there has been one accident of a car exiting The Clock Inn Park which in this case no one was hurt the police were not informed but both cars were written off. There are slow signs on the road and also illuminated 'slow down' signs before the 's' bends and the entrance to Stert village these do not seem to be effective.</i></p> <p>Metrocount completed and results returned.</p> <p>Stert PC have confirmed a contribution of £500 to the request. Atkins to be engaged to complete the review in 19/20 if supported by the CATG.</p> <p>(Priority No.04)</p>		
e)	<p>Issue 5964 Devizes, Rotherstone Speeding</p>	<p>Initial issue description: <i>The roads in Devizes SN10 2BJ area, Avon Terrace from Shopmobilty to Rotherstone cemetery is used as a race track. The speeds people do is ridiculous. I've spoken with few residents and all are for a speed watch group to happen. Its recently turn to 20mph but people are speeding more mounting pavements. Won't be long before some gets serious hurt.</i></p> <p>Open meeting held to discuss options. Town Council sent out follow up consultation questionnaire to all residents and following the results of this have sent a response stating that:</p> <p><i>"The Town Council supports a resident's request for Rotherstone to be made a no through road with one end being closed to motorised traffic and would ask the Community Area Transport Group to undertake the necessary work to determine the most suitable location for the closure for a viable of the scheme"</i></p> <p>A proposal drawing has been prepared and provided to Devizes TC with advice to complete town wide consultation. Awaiting feedback from Town Council on consultation.</p> <p>(Priority No.05)</p>	<p>TC agrees with Issue. They will publicise this matter via Messenger Magazine in June publication. PW happy for Issue to sit until Devizes TC ready to move forward. Still problems with Avon Terrace filling with non-resident parking. PE not sure there is a solution. Need to find out if this is residents or commuters.</p>	

g)	<p>Issue 5909 Speeding Market Lavington Request for Village Gateways</p>	<p><i>Speeding through Market Lavington has long been an issue and it was hoped that the recent introduction of a 20mph speed limit through the village would help. However unfortunately this seems to have made little or no difference to the speed of traffic. It is questioned therefore whether this is down to lack of awareness, deliberate dis-regard of the lower speed limit or a combination of both. To provide a further visual reminder that motorists are entering a village and to check their speed etc. Request to install Village Gateways at the 4 main entrances to the village White Street Lavington Hill The Spring Spin Hill and the High Street Easterton end to be sited as near to the changing speed limit as possible.</i></p> <p>Update 31-01-2018 – CATG willing to provide engineer support where necessary if PC willing to meet the costs. Parish Council have confirmed desire to proceed and allocated £2,000 within their 2018/19 budget. To be prioritised by the CATG. Agreed for PC to proceed. Highway involvement to continue via engineering support.</p> <p>Update from CATG meeting 18/07/2018: PC now would like 4no. Gateways, Original costings were based on 2no. Cllr Fred Davis to take it back to the PC to see if they want to pay all themselves or wait 12 - 18 months split 50/50 with CATG.</p> <p>Awaiting feedback from Parish Council.</p> <p>(Priority No.06)</p>	<p>Awaiting confirmation on whether PC supports the Issue. AJ will chase and find out. If PC does support, CATG happy for this to go ahead.</p>	
h)	<p>Issue 6406 The Croft, Urchfont Request for dropped kerbs</p>	<p><i>Lack of dropped kerbs at the far end near the car park of The Croft Urchfont to facilitate disabled residents to use walking trolley wheelchair or mobility scooter to access vehicles or navigate the area.</i></p> <p>PC have confirmed support for proposal (£500). Scheme has been added to works programme for 19/20.</p> <p>(Priority No.07)</p>	<p>GR not heard back from PC to check exact location. Needs to check this before proceeding. PW has sent email chasing this response.</p>	
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5.	Other priority schemes			
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6.	Outstanding issues			
a)	Issue 4936 Town Centre Car Park Signing	<p><i>At a recent meeting of the Town Councils planning committee concern was raised about the effectiveness of some motorist signage which directs visitors to the town centre and town centre car parks.</i></p> <p>Discussion held regarding need for Parking Strategy for town and need to develop before CATG involvement. Working Group Initiated and investigatory works are ongoing.</p> <p>No CATG involvement at present. Awaiting imminent decision on Market place</p>	ON HOLD Town centre parking to be looked at after Market Place changes have been implemented and period of time passed to allow establishment.	
b)	Issue 5987 West Lavington, High Street Request for footway widening	<p><i>The pavement outside the Cost Cutters Shop in the High Street is very narrow. A wheelchair user in the community has requested that the pavement be widened so that he can independently go the shop without having to ask anyone else to take him. This would also be beneficial to pushchair users. Therefore West Lavington Parish Council would like to apply for CATG funding for this project</i></p> <p><i>Update 31/01/2018 – CATG happy to consider this. PC to be consulted on how they feel about the possibility of losing parking spaces outside of the shop.</i></p> <p>West Lavington Parish Council would like to progress this further and have the survey completed; appreciating there is no agreement to go ahead at this stage.</p> <p>A full Topographical Survey would need to be commissioned to enable preliminary designs and assessment of the consequences.</p> <p>Response to be sent to PC. Assumption needs to be that parking would be</p>	PC do not support project. CATG agree to close this Issue.	

		<p>lost across the whole of the narrow section. CATG happy to proceed with survey if PC contribute 50% towards the cost of the survey. This should be around £1500 in total so £750 contribution required.</p> <p>Parish Council have confirmed they no longer wish to pursue the issue. Recommend issue is closed and removed.</p>		
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7.	Other Open Issues			
a)	<p>Issue 6008 Rowde, Springfield Request for No Through Road signs</p>	<p><i>Residents who live in two of the closes off Springfield Road Rowde have requested No Entry signs or Cul-de-Sac signs for their closes. There is no indication for HGVs that the two closes are dead ends and it causes problems for residents as the vehicles are then unable to turn around and have to reverse out onto Springfield Road.</i></p> <p>Has this been considered by the PC?</p> <p>Update 31/01/2018 – RD to assess costs.</p> <p>Update Required GM to chase</p>	<p>AJ to chase PC. Is there still a demand for this after building site has closed?</p> <p>RD to review location to identify if issue is still prevalent.</p>	
b)	<p>Issue 6171 Devizes – A342 / A361 Dunkirk Hill Congestion – Request for Prohibition of Turn.</p>	<p><i>Road congestion at Dunkirk Hill /Bath Road, Devizes. Cars travelling from Caen Hill on Bath Road can turn left onto Dunkirk Hill there is no ‘No Left turn’ sign. This means that vehicles have to traverse both lanes on Dunkirk Hill and frequently cannot make the turn in one move. This is dangerous especially as it is a blind corner and a fast moving road with a pavement on the other side.</i></p> <p><i>Likewise vehicles are permitted to turn right at the top of Dunkirk Hill onto the Bath Road towards the direction of Caen Hill. These vehicles also have to traverse both lanes of traffic and go against the road layout.</i></p> <p>Town Council discussed at meeting in July 2018 – And concluded to support request to introduce prohibition of turns at the junction. Discussed at Nov 18 meeting. KN to discuss with TC, funding support. Initial ballpark estimate of £10,000 suggested.</p>	<p>Traffic signal scheme for Shanes Castle a significant period away.</p> <p>Indicative cost £10,000</p> <p>CATG asks how often this takes place? Is it worth the approx. £9-10k to implement?</p> <p>Devizes TC asked for a view on this.</p>	

		Awaiting TC Feedback.		
c)	Issue 6457 Rowde, Springfield Road	<p><i>Residents not being able to access their properties due to cars parking in their turning circle. It is a narrow road and it is being used by tourists business visitors to park on when they visit the village. The Parish Council has written to the local art studio on Marsh Lane and asked for their users not to park in this area of the village when they have a studio day. The Community Police have been called and left notices on some cars which have been blocking peoples drives. It is not necessarily the same cars causing the offence. The Police recommended the residents contact the Parish Council. A dropped kerb at no. 37 to allow residents to access / exit their properties at all times. A cul-de-sac notice at the entrance of the cul-de-sac this was requested through CATG on previous occasions the last of which was 31118. Response: A possible white line with T bar at the entrance to the cul-de-sac. Notices to say Please don't park here. The parish is open to suggestions and will contribute within reason to a solution</i></p> <p>GM to liaise with PC to identify if they require formal dropped kerb. If so, advise to go through planning process.</p> <p>Update from GM Required.</p>	<p>CATG to ask Richard Dobson to visit site and investigate if this is a private access.</p> <p>AJ to chase PC whether they support this.</p>	
d)	Issue 6461 Market Lavington, Black Dog Crossroads	<p><i>On-going problems with poor visibility at Blackdog Crossroads Market Lavington. There are several near-miss accidents occurring at this junction on a far too frequent basis. As recently as the 1st of June there was an accident involving a minibus and a car which left a number of people requiring hospital treatment. It is only a matter of time before there is a fatal accident at this junction.</i></p> <p><i>The main problem with visibility is on the Broadway Market Lavington side of the junction in the direction of Freith we understand that the land on this corner is owned by Blackdog Farm Lavington Road Freith Devizes. SN10 5RF. Rather than making a request to the landowner to purchase a strip of land to improve visibility might it be possible to approach the land owner and request that in the interests of community safety they consider moving the</i></p>	<p>PW to write to landowner. If they do not want to engage / respond, CATG agrees this can be closed.</p>	

		<p><i>fence back a sufficient distance to improve visibility approx 1-2 metres. Perhaps the work and costs for this could then be met by the CATG Parish Council. Could this issue be fully considered at a CATG meeting and positive actions agreed to address the problem. Improvements to sight-lines coupled with regular cutting back of the hedges and verges by landowners and Wiltshire Council would make a significant improvement to the safety of this junction.</i></p> <p>MLPC to discuss with local landowner, regarding the potential cutting back / relocation of hedgerows to provide improved visibility for side road traffic.</p> <p>MLPC have written to land owner but no response received. Copy of letter forwarded to PW. To be discussed.</p>		
e)	<p>Issue 6506 C20 Worton</p> <p>Issue 6727</p>	<p><i>Road Safety. Junctions on the C20 at Poulshot and Bulkington between Worton and Seend have been of concern for some time. The issue was discussed again at the June Worton Parish Council meeting following the death of a cyclist at the Bulkington junction on 18 May.</i></p> <p><i>Inadequate road safety provisions contribute to dangerous junctions on the C20 between Worton and Seend Pulshot and Bulkington junctions. This issue has been raised previously but further accidents and recorded near misses have taken place since the last CATG. We are now in possession of dash cam footage of a near miss from one of our parish councillors clearly demonstrating the dangers.</i></p> <p>Issue discussed under AOB at previous meeting and agreed to undertake road marking amendments in conjunction with ongoing work in Seend (commenced 05/11/18).</p> <p>Road markings have been installed – Recommend issue closed and removed.</p>	<p>A solid white line can be installed. PC feels the problem has not be resolved with the return arrows. RS advised of recent incident.</p> <p>Issue to be closed.</p> <p>Discussion about visibility improvements and suggestion made that the visibility splay at the junction could be altered either by cutting back vegetation or if its a boundary hedge, this could be replaced with a fence for better visibility.</p> <p>PC to approach the</p>	

			landowner about the changes. A new Issue can be raised then.	
f)	Issue 6675 A342 Bromham	<p><i>Bromham Parish Council would like to put in motion a speed restriction on the A342 from South of the Calne A3102 50/40mph speed restriction to the St Edith's Marsh 30 MPH restriction. This length of the A342 is now a 60MPH road with frequent occurring accidents which can be backed up by local police and a freedom of information request for the crash map information for accidents. This stretch of road starting at the Calne junction has the following: Farm shop, Residential properties, Chittoe junction - poor visibility. The Audi Garage, Residential properties, The A3102 Melksham junction with Collins Veg. Shop - minor accidents happen here on a regular basis not always police recorded- V P Collins Vegetables at 81 Devizes Road can support this. ACCIDENT SPOT; Double bends. ACCIDENT SPOT; New Farm and Digester entrance to A J Butlers Farm -between the double bends. Cross road junction to Highfield village centre and Roughmoor. Roughmoor 9 residential properties plus A J Butlers main Farm access and Open Reach telecom building. ACCIDENT SPOT; Cross road junction to Yard lane and The Pound village centre. ACCIDENT SPOT; Hawkstreet junction. A speed restriction has been requested on two previous occasions but without response. Bromham Parish Council ask that this request is seriously considered by that appropriate team.</i></p> <p>Metrocount location assessed and progressed (3no.) Awaiting results.</p>	AJ will chase PC for update.	
g)	Issue 6688 B3089 Market Lavington	<p><i>Driving on the pavement. Motorists are driving on the pavement outside of 60-64 High Street Market Lavington. This is happening more and more often and frequently this is at high speeds. There are bollards on either side of this stretch and it would help immensely if three or four further bollards are placed outside of 60-64 High Street to prevent this from continuing to happen. Only today a car drove along the pavement at high speed despite there being a toddler on said pavement. When it is lorries which are mounting the pavement also happened today they are inches away from the windows of our houses.</i></p>	<p>AJ has had response from PC. They would like one new bollard installed. They are happy to pay for this if Highways can install.</p> <p>Cost estimate approx. £300 and happy to go</p>	

		Awaiting PC Response.	ahead. RD / MB to action.	
h)	Issue 6713 A342 St Ediths Marsh Speed Limit Increase	<i>Speeding traffic through St Ediths Marsh. The speed limit used to be a 60 through that stretch but has since been reduced time and time again and now is set to 30 is which too slow. It is creating more issues than it is solving. Constant speed limit breaking tailgating and over taking is now occurring. It is like whacky races As a 40 limit I personally never experienced any of these issues and now myself and every family member and friends have experienced one or several of the issues mentioned above. I have been over taken countless times now when travelling at 30 regardless of the time of day.</i> Awaiting information as to whether this is supported by the Parish Council	CATG agrees to await the results of the Metrocounts at Issue 6675 and combine the Issues.	
i)	Issue 6736 Market Lavington; Spin Hill Request for speed limit reduction	<i>Cars driving too fast down Road that we live on Location Spin Hill Broadway Market Lavington SN10 5RH Cars and motorbikes speed up coming down hill to sometimes 70-100 miles an hour... the road bends in parts is relatively a short length of Road with a very dangerous junction at the end known as black dog junction where drivers have to stop. Currently the speed limit is 40 turning into 60 miles an hour - which does not make sense considering there are 6 residential homes various offices and businesses with vehicles entering and exiting throughout the day. There have been various incidents in the last 2 years... two cases of cars losing control driving into my gateway and telephone poll - causing a loss of telephone service and internet for 7 days - also the spot where my children have to stand waiting for their school bus - if they had been there they would have been killed 2 cars driving into the ditch where they have lost control on a bend a collision between two cars as one was leaving a small lane and visibility is difficult caused by car driving too fast down the Road. These are the only ones I have witnessed and I am sure there have been more.. And more recently my neighbour walking her dog was killed - both herself and large Labrador were both killed. We are still waiting to fully find out the full story but knowing where it happened I have witnessed many drivers going too fast around a difficult bend - I am sure it was down to</i>	AJ will chase feedback from the PC. GR has not heard from the accident investigation.	

		<p><i>negligent driving. It also does not make sense that such a small Road with bends throughout with residencies businesses etc. is marked as a national speed limit when the main Road from Devizes to Lavington is at 50 miles an hour Currently it is too dangerous for us to walk outside our home - even mowing my lawn is dangerous we are unable to walk to our local village which is just up the road.</i></p> <p>Awaiting information as to whether this is supported by the Parish Council</p> <p>Awaiting conclusion of Police investigation into the Fatal collision. MLPC to investigate / review the level of development. Awaiting PC feedback.</p>		
j)	Issue 6745 Devizes, Church Walk Extension of 20mph Speed Limit	<p><i>Devizes Town Council supports a request to the Community Area Traffic Group for an extension of the Devizes East 20 mph speed limit in Church Walk</i></p> <p>Metrocount Request submitted – Awaiting response</p>	AJ will chase the results of the Metrocount. It was felt this is likely to qualify for 20mph.	
k)	Issue 6746 Devizes, Station Road Speed Management	<p><i>Devizes Town Council requests the Community Area Traffic Group to determine an appropriate method of speed management in Station Road.</i></p> <p>Metrocount Request submitted – Awaiting response</p>	AJ will chase the results of the Metrocount.	
8.	New Issues			
a)	Issue 6881 A342 Lydeaway, Planks Farm Speed Limit reduction request.	<p><i>As a safety measure to prevent death or serious injury we would like the current 50 mph reduced to 40mph as we believe that a contributory factor to the serious accidents which have already occurred is the speed. A cost effective solution of reducing the speed limit by 10 mph will not stop those that speed regularly but even regular speeders are reticent to go very far above set limits. We suggest that the area of the A342 be from Lydeaway past Wedhampton to Chirton. This section of road has very tight bends and highly used junctions. This small measure we believe will lessen the chance of a fatality along this section of the A342.</i></p>	<p>Discussion about conditions on the road and surrounding environment, considered unlikely to satisfy criteria for a lower speed limit.</p> <p>The junction has already been remodelled to slow down movements there.</p>	

			CATG to ask PC for their comments.	
9.	Other items			
a)	KN asks about no entry to the High St.	GR agrees the entrance from Long St can be tidied up. There are bollards that need No Entry signage replacing and No Entry could be painted on road. GR would like to replace bollards with hoops to be in keeping with elsewhere in town. Estimates that this could cost CATG £3-4k plus other elements paid from Maintenance.		
b)	KN asks about salt bins on Dunkirk Hill Current locations mean they cannot be used by residents	MB asked to pick this up. PW mentions ideas about giving T&PCs their own supplies of winter salt.		
c)	KN raises problem at Church Walk. Cars park at give way area and block passing place.	KN felt that this area should be covered by double yellows but that they are obscured by leaves, etc and wants No Parking signs. GR responds that this sign does not exist. The Parish Steward could be used to clear the area and reveal double yellows. If they do not exist, TC needs to put in request for new lines.		
10	Date of next meeting: 24th April 2019, White Horse Room, Devizes Community Hub and Library			