

Devizes Community Area Transport Group – 24 April 2019 – Notes

	Item	Update	Actions and Recommendations	Who
1	Apologies and Attendees			
		<p><b>Apologies:</b> Richard Slack, Worton Parish Council; Kelvin Nash, Devizes Town Council.</p> <p><b>Present:</b> Liz Starling, Clerk, Worton &amp; Potterne Parish Councils; Fred Davis, Market Lavington Parish Council; Philip Whitehead, Peter Evans, Gareth Rogers, Richard Dobson, Wiltshire Council.</p>		
2	Notes of last meeting			
3	Financial Position			
		<p><b>2019/20 Allocation – £15,751.00</b></p> <p><b>Budget including carry forward - £20,561.88</b></p>		
4	Top 5 Priority Schemes			
a)	Issue 5421 High Street Worton - Speeding	<p>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.</p>	<p><b>GR has spoken to Maintenance – patching work will not happen until August. The new signage will go in before this patching work.</b></p>	

		<p>Traffic orders have been advertised – No Objection. Restriction to be implemented in conjunction with carriageway maintenance works, due to need to remove old gateway. Awaiting date for works to be completed (indicative programme is May /June) . Cost estimate to deliver is £5,324.</p> <p>(Priority No.01)</p>	<p><b>The traffic regulation order for the new 30mph limit has been advertised.</b></p>	
b)	<p><b>Issue 6120 Lydeaway - Request for speed limit reduction</b></p>	<p><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 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>Stert PC have confirmed a contribution of £500 to the request.</p> <p>Atkins have been engaged to complete the review. Anticipated return June 2019, and will be reported to next meeting.</p> <p>(Priority No.02)</p>	<p><b>Still waiting on consultants – Atkins – to complete the work. This is still anticipated as June.</b></p>	
c)	<p><b>Issue 5964 Devizes, Rotherstone Speeding</b></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</p>	<p><b>Town Council has already had a good response to door-to-door surveys. The article in the messenger, (published in June), will be the last step in the process of consultation.</b></p>	

		<p>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. TC to consult via Messenger Magazine (June 2019). Awaiting outcome of consultation exercise.</p> <p>(Priority No.03)</p>	<p><b>Action will take place after the article goes out. PE will speak to Town Council Clerk about text for this article.</b></p>	
d)	<p><b>Issue 5909</b> <b>Speeding Market Lavington Request for Village Gateways</b></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.</p> <p>Update 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. AJ to chase.</p> <p>(Priority No.04)</p>	<p><b>FD says Parish Council will still like 4no new gateways.</b></p> <p><b>Will confirm locations with GR, then the design work can begin and start process of installation.</b></p>	

e)	<b>Issue <a href="#">6406</a> The Croft, Urchfont Request for dropped kerbs</b>	<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>  PC have confirmed support for proposal (£500). Scheme has been added to works programme for 19/20.  All Works Complete – remove from Note Tracker.  (Priority No.05)	<b>CATG agreed to close and remove from system.</b>	
f)	<b>Issue <a href="#">6688</a> B3089 Market Lavington</b>	<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>  PC have agreed to fund bollard. CATG have agreed to fund installation. RD to arrange installation.  (Priority No.06)	<b>RD requested confirmation that Parish Council will purchase bollard independently. FD confirmed this, and will contact RD / Highways to arrange installation.</b>	
<b>5.</b>	<b>Other priority schemes</b>			
a)	<b>Issue <a href="#">4936</a> Town Centre Car Park Signing</b>	<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>  Discussion held regarding need for Parking Strategy for town and need to	<b>Wiltshire Council is currently reviewing all directional signage around Devizes. Atkins has already</b>	

		<p>develop before CATG involvement. Working Group Initiated and investigatory works are ongoing.</p> <p>No CATG involvement at present. Awaiting decision on Market Place &amp; DTC to consider its parking strategy.</p>	<p><b>collected supporting data and car park directions. GR requested Town Council to provide strategy on car parking and directing cars. Kelvin Nash should have this and be able to email this to GR.</b></p>	
b)				
6.	<b>Outstanding / Open issues</b>			
a)	<p><b>Issue 6008</b> <b>Rowde, Springfield</b> <b>Request for No Through Road signs</b></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 07-03-19; AJ to identify whether all development works complete. RD to visit site and review situation.</p> <p>RD has visited location on a number of locations and have identified no issues. No MyWiltshire Apps have been reported. Recommend issue is closed and removed from Note Tracker.</p>	<p><b>Issue ongoing after correspondence between RD and parish clerk.</b></p>	
b)	<p><b>Issue 6171</b> <b>Devizes – A342 / A361</b> <b>Dunkirk Hill</b> <b>Congestion –</b> <b>Request for</b></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><b>Town council wants to defer a decision until data of these vehicle movements can be gathered.</b> <b>CATG discussed options</b></p>	

	<p><b>Prohibition of Turn.</b></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>Awaiting TC Feedback as to whether they wish to proceed with financial contribution to scheme.</p>	<p><b>like cameras. It would be equally cost effective to have someone on site counting traffic. CATG discussed the number of movements per day that would make the changes cost effective Town council will be contacted to see if they have someone who can survey the junction.</b></p>	
c)	<p><b>Issue <a href="#">6457</a> Rowde, Springfield Road</b></p>	<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 tourist's 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 people's 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>RD has visited site and identified the issue relates to a private access. Resident can apply for White Bar marking if required.</p> <p>Recommend issue is closed &amp; removed from Note Tracker.</p>	<p><b>CATG agreed to close and remove from system.</b></p>	

d)	<p><b>Issue <a href="#">6461</a> Market Lavington, Black Dog Crossroads</b></p>	<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 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. PW has written to land owner, who has responded and does not wish to dedicate additional land to improve visibility.</p> <p>Recommend Issue be Closed and Removed from Note Tracker</p>	<p><b>CATG agreed to close and remove from system.</b></p>	
f)	<p><b>Issue <a href="#">6675</a> A342 Bromham</b></p>	<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</i></p>	<p><b>AJ found out the Metrocounts are due to go in any day. Data should be available for the next CATG meeting in</b></p>	

		<p>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.</p> <p>Metrocount location assessed and progressed (3no.) Awaiting results.</p>	<p>June.</p>	
h)	<p><b>Issue <a href="#">6713</a> A342 St Ediths Marsh Speed Limit Increase</b></p>	<p>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.</p> <p>Awaiting information as to whether this is supported by the Parish Council</p>	<p><b>AJ said that a new Metrocount request has gone in for St Edith's Marsh.</b></p>	
i)	<p><b>Issue <a href="#">6736</a> Market Lavington; Ledge Hill / Broadway Request for speed</b></p>	<p>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</p>	<p><b>FD felt this issue was linked to Ledge Hill and Broadway and needs to be renamed. Parish council is looking at</b></p>	



	<b>limit reduction</b>	<p><i>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 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>	<b>data and will send to Highways</b>	
j)	<b>Issue <a href="#">6745</a> Devizes, Church Walk Extension of 20mph Speed Limit</b>	<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>	<b>Metrocount team has no knowledge of these forms. AJ will contact Town Council for replacements.</b>	
k)	<b>Issue <a href="#">6746</a> Devizes, Station Road</b>	<p><i>Devizes Town Council requests the Community Area Traffic Group to determine an appropriate method of speed management in Station Road.</i></p>	<b>Metrocount team has no knowledge of these forms. AJ will contact</b>	

	<b>Speed Management</b>	Metrocount Request submitted – Awaiting response	<b>Town Council for replacements.</b>	
l)	<b>Issue <a href="#">6881</a> A342 Lydeaway, Planks Farm Speed Limit reduction request.</b>	<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>  Awaiting PC Comments	<b>PW has received email from Parish Council in support of this issue. Can send to AJ</b>	
<b>8.</b>	<b>New Issues</b>			
a)	<b>Issue <a href="#">6969</a>  Potterne Wick  Concern with Speed of Large Vehicles</b>	I live on the row of houses towards Potterne Wick on the A360 as you exit Potterne Village. The speed limit moves from 30 mph to 40 mph before increasing to 50 mph once you round the bend away from the hamlet of Potterne Wick. I have noticed an increase in vehicle speeding out of the village towards the 50mph zone making it increasingly dangerous for people turning into the Potterne Wick lanes two turnings or exiting onto the A360 from them. Of particular concern is the speed of large vehicles such as lorries and tractors trailers who seem to be increasing speed and often taking the bend excessively. There has been two near misses and one crash this week already.	<b>AJ needs to send this to Parish Council. Needs to be linked to Issue 7099. PW offered to meet with the parish council to discuss options.</b>	
b)	<b>Issue <a href="#">7035</a>  Market Lavington  Request for Street Light</b>	Footpath MLAV50 runs between Grove Farm housing Community Hall car park towards the Old School and the village centre. The path is completely unlit and at night pedestrians cannot see their surroundings. This leads to unease ranging from inability to assure personal safety through safe footing on an unsurfaced path to inability to avoid dog mess.	<b>FD describes situation at Footpath 54. Parish council has spoken with SSE about installing lights and have a quote. FD would like joint funding with CATG but parish</b>	

		Provision of a street lamp jointly funded by the Parish Council and the CATG	<b>could fund 100%. GR felt this could be difficult as this is a footpath, not the highway. He felt there is enough public benefit for CATG to be involved. He wanted to know about ongoing maintenance and get agreement from parish council. FD agreed that if CATG can provide and install the street lamps, the PC will seek to connect power (via SSE) and maintain them.</b>	
c)	<b>Issue <a href="#">7099</a></b> <b>Potterne, Whistley Lane</b>	Speeding and dangerous driving on Whistley Road in Potterne. The lane urgently needs to be made 20mph so Satellite Navigation Systems stop marking it as the quickest route and traffic calming initiatives need to be introduced so any driver choosing to drive down the road is forced to drive at a slow and safe speed. It also needs a 3.5tonne weight limit as the road is just falling apart. We have coach upon coach using the lane as a cut through to Stonehenge lorries and vans using it as a cut through and general traffic who use the lane like a speed track. The increase of traffic from when I left home in 1994 to returning in 2017 and now is shocking and I mean really shocking. And the speed the road is driven by is even more shocking. All of us living on the lane DRIVE our children places as its just too dangerous for them to walk down. There is no WAY I would let any of my children ride a bike on the road. We need WCC to make urgent amendments to the road so no one gets killed. Because it is only a matter of time	<b>See issue 6969</b>	
	<b>Issue 7126</b> <b>Rowde</b>	There is a need for more dropped kerbs around the village of Rowde. In particular across the entrance to Springfield Road from Marsh Lane and then across Marsh Lane towards Rowde Court Road. This is to	<b>AJ to contact parish clerk and ask for this list of locations to be prioritised.</b>	

	<b>Request for dropped kerbs.</b>	enable residents from HfT a residential complex for adults with learning difficulties to fully access the village in particular the Church and bus stop on the High Street. The Parish Council has identified further dropped kerbs that it would like to install around the village. A map with the locations on can be supplied		
9.	<b>Other items</b>			
a)	<b>KN asks about no entry to the High St.</b>	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>Prior to meeting KN confirmed that town council supports the proposal to add new signs outside No 15 and on the central island. It was raised that the hoops in the market square become unsightly when damaged by cars. It was agreed this decision needs to go back to the TC to choose between hoops or bollards.</b>	
10	<b>Date of next meeting: 25<sup>th</sup> June 2019, White Horse Room, Devizes Community Hub and Library</b>			