

WILTSHIRE COUNCIL**TROWBRIDGE AREA BOARD****8 September 2011**

COMMUNITY AREA TRANSPORT GROUP
SMALL-SCALE TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT SCHEME

Purpose of the Report

To put forward for approval proposals made by the Community Area Transport Group for small scale transport and highway improvement schemes for the Trowbridge Community Area.

1. Background

- 1.1. In 2011/12 Trowbridge Area Board has been allocated £15,354 discretionary budget to involve them in the assessment and selection of small-scale transport schemes to be progressed in their community area. To date the Area Board has allocated £2,150 of this budget to undertake a combined pedestrian count on Bythesea Road at the Shires Gateway.
- 1.2. It should be noted that this allocation is for capital funding and can only be used to provide new and improved infrastructure. It is to be used for schemes that improve safety, increase accessibility and sustainability by promoting walking, cycling and public transport, and improve traffic management. It cannot be used to fund maintenance schemes, these are selected using technical surveys and inspections. In addition, it cannot be used to pay for revenue functions such as passenger transport.
- 1.3. Due to the complexity of assessing and selecting schemes from the many requests, and the potential time that such an agenda item would take, each Area Board was requested to set up a Community Area Transport Group (CATG) to make recommendations to the Area Board.

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1 At the 8th July CATG meeting it was agreed to put forward the following proposals to the 8 September Trowbridge Area Board meeting.
- 2.2 £6,000 to extend the pavement area to cover the grassed bus stop area at Leap Gate Paxcroft Mead.
- 2.3 £5,000 for match funding for the Town and Parish Councils for dropped kerbs.

3. Environmental Impact of the Proposals

- 3.1 At this stage of agreeing the budget allocation there is no environmental impact

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 £13,204 remains in the small scale transport scheme discretionary budget. If these schemes are approved there will be £2,204 remaining for other small-scale transport schemes

5. Legal Implications

None

6. HR Implications

None

7. Equality and Diversity Implications

None at this stage

8. Recommendations

- 8.1 It is recommended that the Area Board approve the proposals made by the CATG.
- 8.2 To spend £6,000 to extend the pavement at Leap Gate bus stop.
- 8.3 To allocate £5,000 for match funding to Town and Parish Councils for dropped kerbs

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