

South West Wiltshire Area Board
Community Areas Transport Group (CATG)
14.30 Tuesday 20 September 2011
Compton Chamberlayne Village Hall
Notes

In attendance:

Cllr Tony Deane (Chair) (AD)
Cllr Jose Green
Cllr Bridget Wayman

Rachael Ashton-Brown, Wilton
Spencer Drinkwater, Principal Transport Planner (SD)
Bev Ford, Tisbury Community Safety Partnership (BV)
Tom Gardner, Senior Engineer (TG)
Tony Phillips, Fovant (AP)
Clive Upton, Dinton
Steve Wilson, Divisional Highways Manager (SW)
Tracy Morris, Highways Technician (TM)

Apologies:

Charles Smith (Dinton)
Richard Munro (CAM)

1. Notes of previous meeting were used as a basis for the Agenda
2. **LTP Area Board Substantive Highway Scheme.** SD reported that the bid for the pedestrian crossing on the A30 at Ludwell had been submitted, he was not hopeful of a satisfactory outcome as many schemes in the North scored higher in the assessment.
3. **Current priorities - Work completed or in Progress**
 - a. Tuckingmill. There has been feedback from West Tisbury PC concerning the Tucking Mill modification. SW tabled photographs showing that the last of the three bollards has been hit by vehicles. Agreed that TG will contact J Amos the Clerk to arrange a site meeting especially as the residents feel that the objective has been achieved and vehicles are now slower going down the hill.
 - b. Ansty Road Bridge. The false footpath is so successful that the schoolchildren have asked for the path to be continued on SWT property towards the station. TG to contact SWT.
 - c. The Bishopstone Crossing Facility design work has been completed and drawings sent to the PC for comment Construction is expected to start 5 October 2011.
 - d. The TRO for the Salisbury Street, Mere, works has been advertised. There were no objections. Work should be completed early October.
4. **Review of scheme requests in the Mere, Tisbury and Wilton Community Areas**
 - a. Fingerposts.
The CAM had only received responses from Sedgehill & Swallowcliffe. Councillors advised that other requests are in the pipe line.

Action. The CAM is to write to all applicants offering them an Area Board Grant of 50% of the cost to a ceiling of £350 for one fingerpost this financial year. The fingerpost must comply with the Wiltshire Council specification which will be issued with the grant advice.

Action. Councillor Wayman is to seek information on local apprentices manufacturing finger posts. The outcome of this inquiry will be taken into account when PC's are advised where to purchase the fingerposts etc from.

b. Dinton Refuge Island.

This has been investigated. A preliminary modification removing the refuge island will be actioned shortly as there is evidence of vehicles striking the island which might be an unnecessary safety risk. Costs are likely to be borne by the main Highways budget, not the CATG.

c. Wilton Centre Traffic Lights.

TG has discussed the problem with the Traffic Lights Engineer who expressed concern that the requested change would decrease the junction capacity. This was debated at length when it was learned that the lights are already programmed to give priority to traffic flows at different times of the day. It was agreed to leave the lights phasing etc in the hands of the experts. The proposal to add a pedestrian crossing has been cancelled.

d. Netherhampton B3094.

Further investigation of the problem by **TG** revealed that it is an overtaking issue on the B3094. He tabled a plan showing a proposal for 'ladders' in the road at each junction. There was a debate about cats eyes and agreed subject to falling foul of advised 'best' practice that the cats eyes should be left along the centre of the road. It was subsequently agreed that this is a priority scheme for the CATG. The Parish Council will be consulted and followed up by **Cllr Jose Green**.

e. Mere Lynch Close.

Cllr George Jeans and Mere Parish Council have yet to clarify details.

f. Wilton Yellow Lines.

TG tabled a plan showing 5 key points. The extent of Wiltshire Town Council's support for the proposals is not clear.

Action. As the TRO is the most expensive element of the scheme the CAM is to write to Wilton Town Council requesting £2,500 being 50% of the cost. Noted other TRO's have not been funded from the £17K CATG budget.

Agreed that **TG** would draw up a scheme as soon as possible to cover all 5 aspects, this to be submitted via Wilton Town Council for public consultation and approval before the TRO is published.

g. Hindon Lane, Tisbury

Ceri Flower is drawing the detailed scheme for no parking, extended 30mph and the table at the new junction to the Hindon lane Estate. It is likely that these works will be funded by the development.

h. Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs)

BF has provided a proforma invoice to the CAM for a cheque to be issued. The authorisation of the amount is under discussion. It will be cleared at the Area Board Meeting on 5 October, latest. It was pointed out that a quorate group of AB Councillors was present at this meeting and that no problems were anticipated.

This SID will be deployed in the smaller villages to:

- a) Count Traffic
- b) Check speeds (both a) & b) downloadable)
- c) Used to deter speeding motorists.

After initial pilots to prove the process, the SID will be available for the Community Areas outside the TCSP area. The cost of attendance etc on the equipment is recognised to be an AB cost (about £2,200 pa).

- i. Zeals Dropped Curb

This matter would be converted to a formal Issue and Highways asked by the CAM to progress it accordingly - as should any other requests for dropped kerbs in the Community Areas.

5. Other highway issues

- a. Fovant Crossroads on A30

This has been reviewed by TG who tabled photographs showing the proximity of drivers to the bend before the existing chevrons can be seen and his proposal to locate a new chevron. After debate it was agreed that the affect of the revised 30mph speed limit should be measured before any further works are considered.

6. Any Other Business

- a. Road Nameplates

SW explained that where it is simply screwing new nameplates on to old posts that this can be done and nameplates will be provided by WC.

If new posts etc are involved it will be necessary for notices to be issued to check on other underground services.

- b. Machine white lining

SW reported that white lines are allowed to wear out in built up areas. There are two teams restoring white lines: the machine team and the hand team.

SW will let the CATG members have a copy of the job list. It was emphasised that the list is not ordered.

- c. Road Signs

Lack of funding suggests that posts will only be replaced when they no longer support the signs.

- d. Winter Salt

SW will confirm. However he was of the opinion that the bags of salt would be rolled out to the Parishes from 1 October.

7. Date of Next Meeting

14.30 Tuesday 22 November 2011 at a venue, to be decided, that will have WiFi