

Community Area Transport Group report

1. Background

In 2012/13 the 18 area boards were again allocated a discretionary budget of £250,000 to involve them in the assessment and selection of small scale transport schemes to be progressed in their community areas. Westbury area board was allocated £10,320.

The funding allocation is for capital funding and can only be used to provide new and improved infrastructure. It is suitable 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 or to pay for revenue functions such as passenger transport.

2. Westbury Community Area Transport group (CATG)

Westbury area board agreed to the establishment of a Community Area Transport Group (CATG) to consider issues /schemes with the support of highways officers and make recommendations to the area board.

The current membership of the Westbury CATG comprises of Westbury area board councillors and representatives from parishes, the Community Area Partnership, the community and the police. Highways officers also attend all meetings.

3. CATG Meeting 2012

At its meeting on 28 June the CATG discussed a variety of local transport issues including:

- Actions taken on improving road safety on B3097
- Edington junction improvements and approval of application for extra funding bid ref this project
- Signage for cycle and walking routes between town centre and White Horse health centre.
- Bus stops for revised route to White Horse health centre
- Edward Street pedestrian and traffic safety
- Speeding concerns in Oldfield Road
- Request for footpath/painted pavement at Edington on part of the B3098
- Request for footpath at Dilton Marsh Tower Hill
- Request for speed limit signs at Bitham Park
- Request for footpath/painted pavement near the viewing area on the B3098

- Request for renovation of footpath between Avebury Close and Station Road
- Safety of roundabouts at Gooselands/Leigh Road

4. Recommendations

That Westbury area board agree the recommendations of the CATG:

- £2,500 funding for signage on new and existing routes
- £2,500 for additional bus stop on new primary centre bus route
- £1000 to fund a pedestrian survey in Edward Street