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| Report to | Chippenham Area Board |
| Date of Meeting | 4th March 2013 |
| Title of Report | Local Transport Plan – Small Scale Transport and Highway Improvement Schemes |

Purpose of Report

To ask the Chippenham Area Board to consider and approve the recommendations from the Chippenham Community Area Transport Group (CATG) outlined in this report:

1. To approve the list of schemes Recommended for Prioritisation (see Appendix 1)
2. To approve the list of schemes Recommended for Retention and Further Consideration in (see Appendix 2)
3. To approve the list of requests Recommended for Removal (see Appendix 3)
4. To approve the list of requests for Dropped Kerbs (see Appendix 4)
5. To approve the list of recommendations regarding requests for Waiting Restrictions (See Appendix 5)

1. Background

1.1. In 2012/2013 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. Chippenham Area Board was allocated £18,087.

1.2. A balance of £1,578 was carried forward from last year, together with a contribution of £19,900 from the Area Board's 2011/12 budget, giving a total of £39,565 for 2012/13.

1.3. On 5th March 2012, the contribution of £19,900 was allocated to 3 schemes :

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| Malmesbury Road, Chippenham | Upgraded lighting and high friction surfacing to improve pedestrians safety at zebra crossing on the Malmesbury Road (near St Paul's Church Hall) | £8,000 |
| Kington St Michael Road, Kington Langley | Upgrade existing footway and make safe for pedestrians | £6,900 |
| Pedestrian accessibility | To provide improvements to dropped kerb provision in the community area, following a prioritisation exercise to be carried out by the CATG with Town & Parish Councils | £5,000 |

1.4. The Chippenham Area Board Highways Funding balance for 2012/13 is **£19,665**.

1.5. Following the Chippenham Area Board meeting on 5th November 2012 the balance of Chippenham Area Board Highways Funding was **£14,968**.

1.6. If funding is awarded in line with CATG recommendations outlined in this report, Chippenham Area Board will have a Highways Funding balance of **£9,107**. This amount will carry over to 2013/14.

1.7. This 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.

1.8. Chippenham 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.

1.9. The means by which the public, Town and Parishes can identify issues for consideration to the Chippenham CATG is via the Community Issues system.

1.10. Representatives from Town & Parish councils and members of the public are welcome to attend meetings where there are issues under discussion relevant to their community. Please contact your Community Area Manager Victoria Welsh should you wish to attend to ensure that numbers can be accommodated:
victoria.welsh@wiltshire.gov.uk

1.11. Summaries of Chippenham CATG meetings are made available on the Chippenham Area Board web pages of the council's website to enable information to be readily available to Town and Parish councils and the wider community.

2. Recommendations from CATG

- 2.1. To approve the list of schemes Recommended for Prioritisation - see Appendix 1
- 2.2. To approve the list of schemes Recommended for Retention and Further Consideration - see Appendix 2
- 2.3. To approve the list of requests Recommended for Removal - see Appendix 3
- 2.4. To approve the deployment of the list of Dropped Kerbs requests - see Appendix 4
- 2.5. To approve the list of recommendations regarding requests for Waiting Restrictions – see Appendix 5

3. Environmental & Community Implications

- 3.1. Environmental and community implications were considered by the CATG during their deliberations. The funding of projects will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of environmental, social and community wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1. All decisions must fall within the Highways Funding allocated to Chippenham Area Board.

5. Legal Implications

- 5.1. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

6. HR Implications

- 6.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

The schemes recommended to the Area Board will improve road safety for all users of the highway.

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| Appendices | Appendix 1 – Chippenham CATG Schemes recommended for prioritisation in 2012/13 Appendix 2 – Chippenham CATG Schemes recommended for retention and further consideration in 2012/13 Appendix 3 - Chippenham CATG Requests recommended for removal Appendix 4 – Dropped kerbs requests Appendix 5 - Requests for Waiting Restrictions |
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