

**WILTSHIRE COUNCIL**

**AMESBURY AREA BOARD, 21 November 2013**

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## **UPDATE FROM COMMUNITY AREA TRANSPORT GROUP**

### **1. Purpose of the Report**

1.1. To provide an update on all schemes funded or under consideration by the Community Area Transport Group (CATG) in 2013/14, and on the new policies and processes which apply to the group.

### **2. What is the CATG?**

2.1 Each Area Board has set up a CATG to give local people a way to have a say about highways issues and priorities in the local area and how money should be allocated to support transport and highway improvements. The CATG meets quarterly to consider proposals submitted by the public and parish and town councils, and to recommend those schemes that can be taken forward in any year.

2.2 A full guide elaborating on the role and practice of the CATG is attached at [appendix 1](#).

### **3. Budget for CATG Schemes**

3.1. The Amesbury Area Board's budget for CATG schemes in 2013/14 is £25,231, this includes an additional £7,500 fund for C and UC speed limit reviews.

3.2. Due to a significant underspend in 2012/13, the Area Board started this financial year with just over £50,000 available to it for CATG schemes. To date, the board has approved schemes totalling over £30,000 (see paragraph 4 below).

#### 4. Schemes Agreed in 2013/14

<u>Commitments carried forward from 2012/13</u>	
	<u>£</u>
Shrewton High Street Bus Stop Hardstanding (late billing)	136
Amesbury Coldharbour Lane – dropped kerbs for wheelchair access	1,473
Shrewton, Salisbury Road – dropped kerbs	1,500
Durrington – Amesbury Footway	5,000
Church Street, Amesbury – footway widening	12,967
Butterfield Drive, Amesbury – amendments to traffic calming	1,500
A338 Winterbourne Earls – dropped kerbs phase 2	2,100
Berwick St James – traffic calming	Tbc
<u>New Schemes Agreed in 2013/14</u>	
Shrewton, Tanners Lane – Bridge Garage, carriageway edge works for pedestrian safety	2,000
Gaters Lane, Winterbourne Gunner – improved visibility splays	5,000
Gomeldon Primary School – highway safety / school run improvements	1,000
Bulford – various crossing sites of concern – pedestrian counts	1,000
Solstice Park, Porton Road, Amesbury – provision of toucan crossing at point 3 (see attached plan at appendix 2)	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£33,676</b>

## **5. Schemes Pending Consideration at 4<sup>th</sup> December CATG Meeting**

- (i) Shrewton, old Catherine Wheel Pub – highway safety concerns
- (ii) Bourne Cemetery, Winterslow Rd, Porton – new lay-by request
- (iii) A338 crossroads in Porton – continuing speed and safety concerns
- (iv) Bulford Rd, Canadian Estate, Bulford – traffic calming required
- (v) Amesbury, various bus shelter repairs
- (vi) Amesbury, new bus stop lay-bys requiring shelters
- (vii) Church Lane, Idmiston – junction with A338 – new barrier
- (viii) Rollestone Crossroads, Orcheston – new roundabout
- (ix) C291 Elston Lane, Orcheston – new signs to deter rat running

## **6. New Policies and Processes for CATGs**

6.1. It is also important to highlight that CATGs are now requested to work to a number of new and revised policies, including:

- (a) the prioritising and funding of the reviews/implementation of C and UC road reviews. The Amesbury CATG budget has increased by £7,500 to account for this
- (b) the determination (subject to officer advice) of where minor signs and road markings should be removed and where new ones should be placed. The costs of such decisions will not be deducted from CATG budgets. More information on this will be published in due course
- (c) the prioritising of requests for 20mph speed limits and zones (not part-time restrictions including those outside schools). The cost of implementing new limits or zones will fall to the CATG, but Traffic Regulation Orders associated with this process will be funded centrally. Again more information on this will follow pending the publication of the new policies
- (d) the monitoring, amendment and confirmation of the Speed Indicator Deployment programme. The most up to date version of which is attached for the board to consider at appendix 3.

## **7. Sub Groups of the CATG**

- 7.1 Speeding Group – this was set up approximately a year ago, when the board agreed that Councillor Wright should act as the lead councillor. This is a popular group with members of the general public and with representatives of parish councils. An update from this group is the subject of a separate item on this agenda.
- 7.2 Bourne Valley Cycle Route Task Group – this was set up earlier this year as a means by which to re-start efforts to steer the progression of a new cycle route through the Bourne Valley, from Ford to Amesbury. This group is still very much in its early stages of planning and will report more fully to the board in January 2014.

## **8. Recommendations**

- (a) To note this update report
- (b) To confirm support for the positioning of the Toucan Crossing on Porton Rd, Amesbury – location 3, appendix 2.
- (c) To consider and confirm support for the updated SID Deployment Programme at appendix 3.

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