

**Community Area Transport Group (CATG)**  
**Recommendations to Corsham Area Board**

**1. Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To provide an update on the recommendations from the CATG meeting that took place on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2014.

**2. Background**

- 2.1 Pickwick Residents Association has for some considerable time been lobbying Wiltshire Council to remove redundant signs along the A4 through Pickwick Corsham.
- 2.2 A site meetings have been held between the local member, area highway representatives and representatives of Pickwick Association to discuss the amount of signs at this location.
- 2.3 The initial cost estimate for the works associated with this project were presented at the CATG meeting in June, and following discussion by the group it was requested the original estimate be itemised so that activities that are considered 'Maintenance' could be identified as it was considered these should not be funded by the CATG allocation. The revised estimate was presented by Highway Officers at the recent meeting, and outlined the following costs:

Costs associated with De-cluttering (i.e. removal of redundant posts, signs) £3,700

Costs associated with General Improvements (i.e. replacing signs that are aging, but not life expired) £5,800

Costs associated with Maintenance (i.e. replacing life expired structures, resolving statutory duties) £7,000

Highway officers were able to confirm that they are able to utilise existing funding opportunities to undertake all the maintenance activities, and are also able to fund the majority of the costs associated with the activities considered General Improvements. To complete the full schedule of activities it is requested that the CATG contribute £4,300 towards the project. A commitment of £3,000 has been made towards this project from a previous years allocation, consequently a further £1,300 is required from the 2014/15. The CATG discussed this requirement and recommended that the funding be allocated.

3. **Recommendations from CATG**

- 3.1 CATG recommends that Corsham Area Board contribute a maximum of £1,300 from the CATG 2014 /15 budget to complete the full schedule of activities listed in 2.3 above.

4. **Reason for recommendation**

- 4.1 The scheme proposed above has the support of CATG,

5. **Proposal**

- 5.1 To support the recommendations from the CATG meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> August 2014 as outlined in paragraph 3.1 above.

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**Background Papers:** CATG notes of 21<sup>st</sup> August 2014

**Appendices:** None