

DEVIZES AREA BOARD 26 January 2015

COMMUNITY AREA TRANSPORT GROUP MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 12 January 2015

Purpose of the Report

To provide an update and recommendations to Devizes Area Board from the meeting of the Community Area Transport Group meeting held on Monday 12 November 2015.

Notes of Meeting

Present:

Rob Edwards – Potterne PC (For part of meeting)
Peter Evans - Devizes Town Council
Ann Lumb - Great Cheverell Parish Council
Kristian Price – Wiltshire Council
Gareth Rogers - Senior Engineer, Wiltshire Council
Richard Rogers - Community Area Manager for Devizes, Wiltshire Council
Steve Valentine – Roundway Parish Council
Philip Whitehead – Member of Devizes area Board and portfolio holder for Highways Contract

Apologies

Kate Freeman – Chairman of DCAP Transport Sub-Group Kelvin Nash – Devizes Town Council

| Funding Update | GR presented the current funding situation: |
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| | (See summary at end of notes) |
| Potterne Parish Council – Request for crossing points | Potterne Parish Council have requested that the CATG consider the construction of 3 crossing points: |
| | From Ryeleaze steps to footpath on Highlands wall side |
| | Opposite existing Post Office to Rookes Lane |
| | 3. Bottom of Blounts Court estate to the Bash (George & Dragon) |
| | Rob Edwards informed the group that the Parish Council was not sure if they would all be practical or helpful but would like the possibility to be considered |
| | The normal procedure is to look at the |

| | evidence to see if they are both possible and required. This would need to include whether there are sufficient pedestrians to justify it. |
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| | The cost of the pedestrian and vehicle survey is @£1k |
| | DECISION – The group agreed to fund this initial survey and bring back to the CATG for further discussion |
| Additional sign to Freith, Market Lavington | The Parish Council is aware that residents of the hamlet of Freith are encountering problems when people both domestic and commercial are trying to find their location. This is due to the lack of signage for the Hamlet on the A360 with many Sat Navs directing people to the village of Potterne. The proposed solution is the erection of suitable 'Freith' name signage in both directions on the A360, at each end of the hamlet, similar to those of neighbouring villages. |
| | The CATG considered the request and felt that it s important to keep the identity of small hamlets such as Freith. The cost will be about £200 |
| | RECOMMENDATION – The CATG recommends that the signs are installed as requested and the costs met. |
| | ACTION – Inform the Parish Council of the decision and ask for precise locations for the signs (RR) |
| Updates: | |
| C20 Speeding – Is there any historical data? | GR has checked and no historical data exists. Peter Baxter has been informed. |
| II. Rotherstone | Following discussions with the police, only one option remains that would have their support. This is to close the road. |
| | A third survey to consult on this has been completed. Opinion was completely split on whether it should take place offering no clear mandate for the work to commence. As expected those closer to the proposed scheme were more supportive. Residents |

| | have been informed of this decision. |
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| | Two other actions remain: |
| | Introduce a 20mph speed limit. This can be considered alongside other requests from next year's budget |
| | II. Consider a reconstruction of the pavement and kerb height. |
| | ACTION – PE to put together information on the possible reconstruction so that PW can explore this option with the Highways team (PE) |
| III. Long Street Freight Proposal | Information has been given to Cllr Jacobs and we are waiting for a response. |
| | Long Street will be resurfaced in a few years time. |
| IV. Bath Road Crossing | The CATG agreed that they were not prepared to go ahead with the crossing without the support of the Town Council. |
| V. Urchfont Hard Bus Standing – Has the PC | The PC have agreed to pay the £8,100 |
| agreed to pay £8,100 | ACTION - Confirm to the PC that this will now go ahead (RR) |
| VI. Narrowing of West End Farm Road, Rowde – Any news from the Parish Council (PW) | The Parish Council have agreed with Cllr Whitehead and highways that no action can be justified to be taken now but the situation should be monitored |
| VII. Great Cheverell – White markings outside 22 High Street (GR) | The crossing and the road markings have been ordered. The house number is 33 High Street not '22' as wrongly entered in the previous notes |
| | A separate issue was raised of a resident who has placed rocks on the grass verge to prevent drivers going on it. A complaint has been received. |
| | KP informed the group that they need to be removed as the Council can be held responsible if a car is damaged. The solution is for plastic ones to be installed that act as a deterrent but do not damage vehicles. These can be licensed by highways but will need to |

| | be purchased by the householder. |
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| | ACTION – Inform the house owner of the situation (KP) |
| VIII. SID's | Cllr john Thomson has considered the responses from Parish Councils. Although there was some support for funding the SIDs in the future there is not enough. A decision has therefore been made for Wiltshire Council to stop funding SID's from April 1 st 2015. However, a possible proposal for those Parish Councils who wish to collectively pay for and use them is being put together. |
| Outstanding Highways Issues | The CATG looked at all the outstanding issues and agreed which should be closed and where action should be taken. |
| | ACTION – Update the issue system carrying out required actions and communicate the outcomes. (RR) |
| Approved highways schemes | Following some discussion, it was agreed to recommend the schemes to the area board as per the reports (PW) |
| | There was one concern that the potholes on Estcourt Street are continually being repaired. KP informed the group that it is on a list of future work but this will not be in the next 2 years. |
| | RECOMMENDATION – That the Area Board agreed to the list of proposed highways schemes as presented in the reports |
| AOB | AL Questioned whether a letter will be written to freight companies asking them to avoid Great Cheverell where possible and use the alternative routes. A draft letter has been written and will be sent to the companies |
| | The budget situation was considered as a result of this meeting - Bath Road and Rotherstone have now been removed from planned work. |
| | III. Windsor Drive Footpath improvements ACTION – Put this on the agenda for the |

AQ group and consider using the substantive bid scheme alongside 106 funding.

The date of the next CATG meeting is Monday 9th Mar 2015 at 10am in the Uffington Room upstairs in Kennet House, Devizes

Devizes CATG

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

BUDGET 2014□15

CATG ALLOCATION 2014□15

£15,751.00 CATG ALLOCATION 2014 15

£24.920.29 2013 14 underspend

Contributions Area Board £0.00

£20,000.00 West Lavington Zebra crossing Dauntsey School Rowde Parish Council £296.50 50% Costs to maximum £1500 Urchfont Parish Council £8 100 00

Total Budget 2014 □ 15 £69,067.79

Commitments carried forward from $2012\,\square\,13$

New Park Street bus stop pole

167.07 Complete □ awaiting bill

Commitments carried forward from 2013 □ 14

West Lavington Ped Enhancements Experimental Coach Parking Lavington Zebra Crossing Devizes Cycle Parking Caen Hill Pedestrian improvements

Outstanding Works Omitted from Initial Phase Devizes Remaining for Traffic Regulation Order Costs West 1 583 00 1.190.00

25,000.00 Complete □ awaiting final account

2,356.89 Order Value

4.000.00 Indicative cont to maint works (+ 4.000 from Melksham)

Actuals from 2014 □ 15

Bath Road Ped Crossing Survey Devizes, Long Street Weight Restriction Assessment Initial scoping

Commitments 2014 □ 15

Rowde Chestnut Close / Springfield Road Dropped Kerb Crossings Cheverell Crossing Point & On Carriageway Footway Limit Implementation (C8 & C20)

Crossing & Bus Provison Pedestrian Crossing Investigation Nameplate Signs

775 00 Actual 1,279.00 Actual TBC

594.00 Order Value Great 2,126.42 Order Value Speed 8.000.00 Estimate Urchfont

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Total commitment 2014 □ 15 £61,571.38

Remaining Budget 2014 15 £7.496.41 Underspend

Recommendations to Devizes Area Board

The area board is asked to consider the following three recommendations:

- Potterne Parish council proposed crossing points That approximately £1,000 should be spent on an initial survey that examines the pedestrian count and practicalities of the three proposed crossing points from Ryeleaze steps to footpath on Highlands wall side, opposite existing Post Office to Rookes Lane and the bottom of Blounts Court estate to the Bash (George & Dragon).
- Market Lavington signs to Freith That approximately £200 should be spent on signs being erected on the A360 to direct vehicles to the Hamlet of Freith.
- Proposed Highways Schemes That the Area Board agrees to the list of proposed highways schemes as presented in the reports to Devizes Area Board

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