

Chippenham Area Community Partnership

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County Hall
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Cllr. Jane Scott
Chair Area 3 Committee
North Wiltshire District Council

Dear Cllr. Scott,

Chippenham High Street

The Crime and Community Safety Special Interest Group of the Chippenham Community Area Partnership have been discussing their concerns about Chippenham High Street. They have written to Wiltshire County Council Environmental Services and the Town Council about this, but would be keen to establish the views of other groups.

The Crime and Community Safety group would like to consider closing the High Street at all times to vehicles other than those which have essential business in the High Street. You will be aware that currently the High Street is closed during the day, and that the Town Council issues permits to those vehicles which need access. The group is of the opinion that allowing traffic to drive down the high street in the evenings and at night gives rise to anti-social behaviour and dangerous driving.

Currently the Police have the option to open the High Street to traffic in the event of traffic problems (such as those caused by accidents on the Avenue La Fleche) – this facility would need to be retained.

The Crime and Community Safety Special Interest Group of the Chippenham Community Area Partnership would welcome the comments of the Area 3 committee on these matters. Perhaps it could be added to the agenda of your next meeting.

Yours Sincerely

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