

Update from	Chirton Parish Council
Date of Area Board Meeting	11 January 2010

Headlines/Key Issues

- Speed Surveys due to be undertaken within village and on A342

Projects

Early in 2009 the Parish Council decided to back a suggestion to install kissing gates to replace stiles on some of the footpaths in Chirton and Conock. An approach was made to Esther Daly, the Rights of Way and Footpaths Office for Wiltshire Council, for advice on the matter. Phase 1 involved four kissing gates and one self closing gate which she agreed to provide at no cost to the parish provided we supplied the labour and cement. Phase 1 was duly completed in the summer and received favourable comments from walkers, especially those with young children and others of advancing years.

The Parish Council then considered a request that the task should be completed with Phase 2. This involved five more gates on public footpaths and two on a permissive path which the landowner agreed to fund. Marden Parish Council also agreed to fund the gate on the border between the two parishes and the decision was made to approach Pewsey Area Board and Community First's SOLVE programme for grants to cover the cost of the other four gates. As before all the labour and the cost of the cement will be met by the parishes. Community First have already informed the Parish Council that the application to them has been successful and we now await a decision from The Area Board in mid January.

Future Events/Dates for the diary

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Signed: Chirton Parish Council

Date: 16th December 2009