

LATE REPORT

Community Area Transport Group Outcomes

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1. This report deals with the outcomes of the Southern Wiltshire Community Area Transport Group (CATG) that was held on 21st June 2011 at the Community Hub, Laverstock.
- 1.2. The Chairman considers it necessary to consider this late report at this meeting as highways require as much time as possible to implement the schemes before the end of the financial year 2011/12.

2. Background

- 2.1. The Southern Wiltshire Area Board have been allocated £13,676 for 2010/11 and £13,676 for 2011/12. As no priorities went forward for implementation last year the Board has around £27,022 to spend on local transport schemes in 2011 (£330 was spent on a speed survey for one of the identified priorities).
- 2.2. The CATG is the mechanism whereby Councillors, Parish Councils and Highways officers can discuss and prioritise how the money is spent. This process requires all stakeholders to be proactive in assessing local needs.
- 2.3. Although there were no schemes implemented in 2010/11 using this money the CATG did prioritise 3 schemes and some survey costs were incurred to investigate the schemes (£330):
 1. Middleton Road, Middle Winterslow – Pedestrian crossing near Young's Paddock
 2. The Ridge, Woodfalls – Pedestrian crossing and possible footway improvements
 3. Accessibility improvements at the London Road P&R to provide improved drop-off point to ease congestion in Laverstock at school drop-off and pick-up times.

2.4. In order to bring the transport schemes request list up to date for our area, the Community Area Manager issued a survey to all Parish Councils requesting new schemes for their areas and also asking parishes to identify schemes that could be removed due to a lack of local need demonstrated. Only 4 parish councils responded to the survey and in total 5 schemes were removed from the list and 3 were added.

2.5. With this information the CATG met on 17 May 2011 to discuss the schemes in our area and were unable to finalise their selected priorities as further information was required. Although the meeting did confirm its support for the implementation of an informal crossing point in Middle Winterslow which would cost in the region of £2,000.

2.6. The CATG agreed to meet again on 21st June as this would allow officers and parish councils to gather more information about schemes on the list.

3. Main Considerations

3.1. The CATG met on 21st June 2011 (see attendance list at bottom of the report) and considered all schemes that had been given priority at the 17 May meeting. The table below sets out the CATG's recommendations (see figure in the 'Amount Allocated by CATG' column):

<u>Southern Wiltshire CATG - 21st June 2011</u>			
BUDGET	Amount Allocated by CATG	Total cost of project (as estimated by Senior Highways Engineer)	Notes and Actions Required
10/11 Budget	£13,676		
11/12 Budget	£13,676		
Total	£27,352		
Scheme			
Preliminary speed survey at Woodfalls	£330		Spent in 2010 for investigatory works
Crossing on Middleton Rd, Winterslow	£2,000	£2,500	Winterslow Parish Council are asked to contribute £500
Yellow lining on Odstock Rd	£1,125	£4,500	50% funding from Hospital & 25% Wiltshire Council Highways
Extension to footway on C12, Odstock	£4,000	£5,500	Odstock Parish Council are asked to contribute £1500
Crossing on the Ridge, Woodfalls	£3,000	£4,000	Redlynch Parish Council are asked to contribute £1000

Access improvements to footpath between London Rd Park & Ride to Lavertsock	£5,000	£40,000	If it turns out that this project will not take place in 2011/12 then the funds will be directed towards A338, Charlton All Saints issue. This should be determined as soon as practicably possible. NB. Total project cost is an estimate
Gateway improvements, refuge and white lining on A338, Charlton All Saints	£11,897	£25,050	Downton Parish Council are asked to make a contribution (approx. £3000). Also a bid is to be made to the Central CATG Substantive Projects fund for the remaining funds (approx £10,153). NB. £25,050 inc. Option B=£19,000, White lining=£550 and Gateway features=£5,500
Total	£27,352	£81,550	

4. Implications

4.1. Financial Implications

As per recommendation.

4.2. Legal Implications

There are none.

4.3. Equality and Diversity Implications

There are none.

5. Recommendation

It is recommended that:

1. The Southern Wiltshire Area Board approves the allocations and corresponding actions as set out in the table above.
2. Parish Councils who are asked to make a contribution to the projects as set out in the table consider this at their next available council meeting as a matter of urgency and report back to the Community Area Manager on the outcome.

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NB. Attendance list for 21st June – CATG: Tom Gardner, Senior Highways Engineer; Tom Bray, Community Area Manager; Richard Britton, Chairman, SWAB; Leo Randall, SWAB; Ian McLennan, SWAB; David Trick, Redlynch PC; Pam Robinson, Winterslow PC; Brian Edgeley, Firsdow PC; Richard Parsons, Odstock PC; Bev Cornish and Roger Yeates, Downton PC; Alan Hotchkiss and David Laws, Laverstock & Ford PC.