

Item	Update	Actions and recommendations	Priority A, B or C
Marlborough Local Highway	y and Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG)		
Date of meeting: Thursday 22	nd September 2022		
Attendees and apologies			
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# Comments from the Chair on new Local Highways & Footways Improvement Group (LHFIG) arrangements:

- 2022/23 Budget decision to move from CATG to Local Highways and Footpaths Improvement Group
- Double the overall budget allocated (£400k to £800k)
- suitable for schemes that improve safety, increase accessibility and sustainability by promoting walking, cycling and public transport and improve traffic management.

**Pedestrian improvements**: including dropped kerbs, new footways, substantive improvements to existing footways, pedestrian crossings (including assessments).

**Cycle improvements**: new cycle paths, cycle parking / storage.

**Bus infrastructure:** new and replacement Shelters (subject to agreement on future maintenance liability), bus border kerbs, bus stop road markings.

Traffic signing: new and replacement signs (including signposts), street name plates, village gateways.

**New road markings:** new and replacement of existing markings.

Speed limits: assessment and implementation.

Waiting restrictions: assessments and implementation.

Footpath improvements: styles, gates, surface improvements to rights of ways (council maintainable only).

Drainage: minor improvements, new gullies.

Street lighting: new installations.

Traffic management measures: including Sockets and posts for SID (Speed Indication Device) equipment.

Cannot be used to fund revenue functions, such as routine maintenance schemes or the provision of passenger transport services. As a general rule, an asset should exist at the end of the project, i.e. something new that wasn't there beforehand.

#### Meeting dates and programme

While we have more budget, funds that are not committed – that is orders placed with contractors for delivery within the current financial year – uncommitted funds will be returned to WC to go into the Substantive Schemes pot. Exceptions will only be allowed when events outside of our control have impacted delivery...although I would hope in this first round there may be some leeway given on this.

This means we must be very clear, when agreeing priorities which are

- Approved and deliverable/paid for this year,
- Approved but need more work so will be developed with a view for delivery in the subsequent financial year (the Pipeline)
- Not yet approved but have potential to be reviewed when resources are available.



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	So, it is less about 5 priorities, so workload on our officers, else litt		ble this financial year, while clearly still being mindful of the			
	The advice, therefore, is that me this group's decisions are ratified		one 2 to 4 weeks in advance of the Area Board meetings where			
	July: Progress meeting. Budget October: Progress meeting. Agr Small scale and low-cost project January: Progress meeting. Agr delivered within this financial year.  As already noted, in this first year that this matter will be included in	ree projects to be put forward for funding from Subts at this meeting may be delivered before end of yreement of any funding to be returned for redistributar.  ar, we expect some leeway allowed on this return on the 6-month review following this financial year to	eeting may not be delivered by the end of March). estantive bid, ahead of end of November submission deadline. year deadline. ution. Any projects prioritised at this meeting will not be of funding point. And I've also secured agreement from Cabinet			
3.	Financial Position					
		Finance sheet to be presented.	SH highlighted the current budget position. SH and JS pointed out that Ringway have made an 11.25% increase in costs to all LHFIG projects agreed from April '22 This could have an impact on the			



			with Cabinet member for Highways.			
4.	New process for logging req	New process for logging requests for highway improvement schemes				
	Metrocounts. There are now n	ed the online Issues system that was previously used to request ne new forms on the Wiltshire Council website. <a href="http://www.wiltshire.gov">http://www.wiltshire.gov</a> by the local town or parish council, new Highways request forms are	v.uk/council-democracy-area-boards			
5.	Top Priority Schemes					
a)	Issue 7027 New double yellow lining on B4003	Decision required not to implement the waiting restrictions as originally advertised and wait until after further process to advertise the proposal to enable 22m parking length.  Advert 25 <sup>th</sup> August to 19 <sup>th</sup> September. Further advert cost £2500  Road marking establishment cost will be incurred only once.  Note 'Primrose' yellow lines required within World Heritage site.	The advert has been published and awaiting any objections. SH is not expecting any. Once advert period is over and if no objections, work can go ahead.	A1		
b)	8-20-6 Ogbourne Maizey- 20mph speed limit assessment	This is on a list of 16 no 20mph limit schemes to be assessed by Atkins.  Report completed and sent to Parish Council for consideration.  PC funding agreed at 25%.  Advert for speed limit change undertaken with no objections.  Scheme delegated to complete works package for implementation.	The advert period is now over and there are no objections. Implementation work can begin. Timescales are 2-3 months. Still needs to be on list to be checked until completion.	A2		



		PC contribution capped at 25% of £6500 or a minimum of 20% of the costs.		
с)	8-21-6 Speed of traffic entering Mildenhall from the east.	Improvements for pedestrians including traffic calming requested.  Site meeting undertaken. Low-cost option includes warning signs and road markings to enhance the gateway.  Footway and bus stop can be reconsidered and time can be given to this if agreed through the CATG.  Design developed for low cost scheme. Cost estimate <£2k. PC contribution 25%.	Signage complete. The new lines have been marked out and should be done by end of September or early October. Scheme should be off list in time for next meeting.	A3
		Signing installed. Road markings to be implemented under the ad hoc process during the summer.		
d)	8-20-4 A4 Manton traffic calming	Request for a substantive scheme to include 8-21-2, 8-21-3, 8-21-4 plus move speed limit and alteration to Pelican traffic light.	SH said that design work had already been carried out for Stage 1 (low-cost signage). Marlborough TC had requested extra road	A4 (stage 1) Pipeline
		Design and cost to be developed and consideration as a substantive scheme.	markings, which have been added to design. This has also now been sent for approval.	(stage 2)
		TEAMS meeting organised to discuss the project options.	Again, further changes can be requested.	
		Stage 1 – low cost signing and road marking scheme.  Stage 2 – design work for new traffic island to the west of Downs Lane, Marlborough name signs and possible location of speed limit. Topo survey agreed to enable design.	MH asked about suitability of Stage 2 (traffic island) for Substantive Scheme funding. SH replied that to be eligible, the	



e)	8-21-2 Related to 8-20-4 A4 Bath Rd, Manton – request for Traffic Island	Request for traffic island on A4 at Manton/ Marlborough boundary  Refer to 8-20-4	scheme had to cost more than LHFIG's annual budget. It was agreed that for the next LHFIG meeting (24th November), a detailed update on Stage 2	
f)	8-21-3 Related to 8-20-4 A4 Bath Rd, Manton – request for transverse yellow markings	Request for transverse yellow road markings on westbound approach to crossing, plus solution between crossing and turning to Bridge Street.  Refer to 8-20-4	work will be prepared in time to make assessment on whether to go forward with Substantive bid for '23.	
g)	8-21-4 Related to 8-20-4 A4 Bath Road, Manton – request for sign.	Request for sign indicating Bridge St turn westbound between the Pelican Crossing and Bridge St.  Refer to 8-20-4		
h)	8-19-2 Place a sign(s) at the entrance to Manton Hollow advising 'No Through Road'.	Manton Hollow is a no through road that appears on many maps and sat-navs as a through road. It is a regular occurrence that cars and HGVs attempt to turn in the very restricted turning area at western end of the southern arm of Manton Hollow. This has resulted in damage to the two houses that front on to the turning area.  A 'No through road' sign' is already installed at junction of Downs Lane with A4. PC have requested another sign is installed at the junction of Downs Lane and Manton Hollow.	Sign should have been installed by now. PM thought it was not. SH will check.	A5 (leave on until confirmed complete)
		This can be progressed as a signing request if fully funded by the Town Council and the principle is agreed through CATG.  MTC do not support a sign at junction of Downs Lane and Manton Hollow but wish to consider replacing the sign at the junction of Downs Lane with the A4.		



		Request to consider 'No through road' sign at entrance to Manton Hollow. Can be installed. Cost estimate £175.  'No through road' sign to be implemented at entrance to Manton Hollow. MTC 25% agreed. LHFIG 75%		
6.	Other Priority schemes			
a)	8-21-8 Aldbourne – virtual paths	Request for virtual paths along Farm Lane, entire length of Marlborough Rd, Castle St to Whitley Rd. To replace 18-19-11  TEAMS meeting undertaken with PC rep Chris Ainsworth.  Checks including Speed data and traffic volume being obtained to check for suitability of virtual footway along Marlborough Road from The Butts to the village centre.	SH is making progress with design.	Pipeline
b)	Issue 5190 Request for safety works at London Rd, Marlborough 8-21-7 Forest Hill speed limit review	The £1500 area board funding allocated to a speed limit review costing £2500. Savernake PC contribution 25%. Request for speed limit review issued to Atkins.  Site visit undertaken and speed readings requested. Report due to be completed before end of March.  Report sent to Guy Singleton/ Martin Phipps 11/3/22.  Further investigation/ discussion required for a signing solution.	There was discussion around whether new signage would have the desired effect here and whether they would be worth the investment. SH described some possible signs and road markings for certain locations (e.g. cricket club junction) and will look further	Pipeline



c)	8-19-10	Request to increase the length of the speed limit. However, for	PM described how this mostly	Pipeline
	Marlborough, Frees Avenue	this to be achieved a further speed limit review will have to be	falls within Preshute PC but has	
	Traffic speed and pedestrian	undertaken as part of the justification process. Cost of speed	also asked Ogbourne St Andrew	
	safety.	limit review £2500.	PC for input.	
	•		PM felt that 40mph all the way	
		Marlborough TC support for a further speed limit review.	from Rockley to The Common	
		Contribution of £625 agreed.	would be too slow, but 50mph or	
		, and the second	a 40mph limit much closer to The	
		£1875 Area Board contribution agreed.	Common might be more effective.	
		3	There was discussion on this.	
		Atkins undertook a site visit on Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> November to	JS asked Preshute and Ogbourne	
		assess the situation while the rugby club was in operation.	St Andrew PCs to write to SH with	
		access and chalancer mane and ragary class mad an operandin	their recommendations.	
		Report completed and sent to Town Clerk for distribution and	and recommendations	
		consideration.	*Following the LHFIG meeting,	
		oonola oranom	PM has confirmed that Preshute	
		The report did not recommend the speed is lowered past the	PC has met and given support for	
		rugby club but does suggest the 40mph speed limit is extended	40mph limit to be applied to the	
		further out of town towards Rockley. Cost estimate for traffic	whole length from Rockley to The	
		order advert is £2500. Implementation is £2000 for signs.	Common. This is subject to cost	
		order advert is £2500. Implementation is £2000 for signs.	estimates being given.	
		Scheme will cross into Preshute PC. Mervyn Hall to discuss	estimates being given.	
		contributions.		
		CONTINUATIONS.		
d)	8-19-1 and 8-22-3	Marlborough Town Council supports and endorses the petition	SH felt there was a need for	Pipelin
۵,	Request for new pedestrian	requesting a pedestrian crossing in Marlborough High Street	another site visit with him present	
	crossing at Marlborough High	and will seek further expert advice in order to make supporting	to confirm issues.	
	St.	recommendations.	to commit issues.	
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		Consideration has been given to possible formal crossings in		
		Kingsbury St by Patten Alley and across the High St by the		
		White Horse bookshop. Both locations are unsuitable for a		
		formal crossing.		
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		Site meeting undertaken. Consideration to be given to an informal crossing enhancement across Kingsbury St towards the steps at the front of the Town Hall.	
		Scheme details, including design and costs, to be proposed to Town Council and implementation costs including traffic management required. This is removed from priority list until temporary social distancing schemes are no longer necessary.	
		Crossing to be looked at in conjunction with the town wide traffic strategy.	
		CH to take back to Marlborough TC to discuss and confirm preferred informal crossing locations.	
		CT took an action to initially agree an acceptable location for a zebra crossing with the Town Council before any initial design assessment is agreed at CATG.	
		MH reported there had been a site meeting with MC and a suggestion that doesn't take away many car parking spaces. This plan needs to be drawn up to progress with designs. This will need to go to Marlborough TC for agreement, on the understanding SH will have to review the proposal.	
´  F	8-21-5 Footpath between Van Diemans Close and George Lane.	Request to widen footpath to access St Mary's school.  Several owners of the land either side of the path. The Rights of Way team would need to be involved.	This is for reference only.



		CATG agreed to make this scheme a high priority to show political desire to move this forward but it is recognised that SH will not currently work on this scheme.  JS has contacted Perry Holmes, Head of Legal at Wilts Council. The first step is to contact landowners or neighbours to ask permission for use of the land. In light of the new crossing, his recommendation was to wait 1-2 years for landowners to get used to it before approaching them.  Town Council to write to landowners.		
f)	8-19-8 A346 Cadley – traffic lights on A4	Traffic modelling for junction would be required. CATG have approved in principle traffic modelling for Marlborough.  JS to pursue this with area board and town councillors.  This request began a conversation about the need for a wider traffic plan. AJ described speaking with Dave Thomas where he offered to take a look at this plan if the local area could provide the scope they wanted it to cover.  The area board will take the lead in calling local PCs to be part of this study.  MH discussions with Atkins undertaken.  Atkins proposed costs need to be agreed with WC officers.	MH reported that MTC has been making progress on this work and has a quote for traffic modelling analysis at a cost of £48,000 He felt this was very high. There was discussion on whether this would be value for money and would provide a solution to the town's traffic issues.	
g)	8-20-8	PC to test via Metrocount to decide whether to progress with speed limit review	SG reported that Ramsbury PC now has the Metrocount results	



	Ramsbury – speed limit consideration- C6 east of village	Whilst a full speed limit review cost £2,500, a Metrocount is free of charge. It was recommended SG tests vehicle speed via a Metrocount before committing to the full speed limit review.  Request submitted by PC.  Survey undertaken but apparently there are issues with the results due to a new contractor. To be resolved.	and asked that this request be postponed until later.
h)	8-21-11 Clench Common - speeding	Review speed limit, signing, gates  Speed limit change unlikely. Possible warning signs. Community to discuss.  PC are prepared to pay 100% for white gates, locations to be established. Appropriate warning signs also to be considered.	SH has not worked on this scheme. Savernake PC is looking to install white gates funded 100% by themselves and is working with Martin Cook on this. They have some landowners' permission and will update at the next meeting.
i)	8-21-12 Ramsbury – Back Lane	Traffic calming/ priority system  Martin Cook suggested road markings to narrow the road could be undertaken quite quickly through maintenance.  Scheme on maintenance list.	SG reported that this work has not been carried out. SH will check if it is on a maintenance list.
j)	8-21-13 Marlborough – St Martins to Tin Pit	Footway improvements/ speed calming measures.  Metrocount to check speeds within the 30mph limit requested.	The best location for a Metrocount has been identified and a survey requested.
k)	8-22-1 Ramsbury – B4192 Whittonditch	Warning signs, traffic speed, gates, road markings.  Metrocount being undertaken.	SG confirms the new gates have been ordered and the site located. Now waiting for delivery. SG agrees this can come off list.



		Martin Cook has met with PC to discuss.	
l)	8-22-2 Marlborough, The Common	Crossing points/ traffic calming  Linked to 6a 8-19-10  MTC in conjunction with the Rugby Club have produced a package of measures to help with safety.  Note that WC Highways owns just the carriageway area and no part of the verge.	RS-W described the site visit and the suggestions made. These include moving the current 40mph sign north slightly to the far side of the cemetery junction, new rumble strips either side of a proposed informal crossing point where players will be directed to use and new Slow signage and markings in the area.
m	8-22-4 Marlborough A346	Pedestrian crossing between The Acres and The Common across the A346  SH said that a pedestrian count would cost a fixed rate of £2,500. SH can send to MTC the eligibility criteria for a new crossing so they can assess if this will be successful. The Metrocount from November '21 was mentioned and how it showed that 85% of vehicles were speeding and these figures present a dangerous location for people looking to cross to The Common, especially children.  Because of the high speeds seen here, this location is eligible for police speed checks to be carried out there.	There was discussion about vehicle speeds at this location being too fast for Community Speedwatch and that the Police had risk-assessed it as unsafe for officers to use for their speed checks.
n)	8-22-5 Marlborough, Cherry Orchard	Handrails for steps on steep banks  SH has not worked on designs like this before and will need to call on colleagues for help here to understand more about the implementation.	SH reported no progress.



0)	8-22-6 Ogbourne St George – A346 Ridgeway crossing at Hallam Junction	Warning for the Ridgeway crossing.  SH said that Highways will not put signage like this at the crossing point and has already put other signs at a distance either side. RI describes signs at other points where the Ridgeway crosses roads. These are more likely to be agreed with the Countryside Team. AJ will contact Steve Leonard to get the Countryside Team to take this on.	There has been no support from Countryside officers and signage from Highways is not possible. It was agreed to close this request.
7.	New Requests / Issues		
a)	8-22-7 Mildenhall, Woodlands Rd	Unsuitable for HGV sign To be funded by Mildenhall PC Approved through LHFIG for ad hoc signing.	No one from Mildenhall PC was present to discuss the request.
b)	8-22-8 Ramsbury, B4192/ Crowood Lane	Unsuitable for HGV's to be considered.	SG said that Ramsbury PC was happy to pay 100% and wanted this looked at. SG needed permission to put up their own No HGV sign. SH and the LHFIG approved and the request can now go to Mark Stansby's signage team.
c)	8-22-9 Marlborough, Cardigan Rd	No waiting at any time	
d)	New pavement at Chilton Foliat	New raised pavement for Chilton Foliat.	SC described how the current virtual pavement is often blocked by parked cars forcing pedestrians to walk into the road to get passed, especially to



			access the village hall. Chilton Foliat PC are requesting a new raised pavement. This request was accepted by the group.	
8.	Other items			
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9.	Date of Next Meeting: Thursday Thursday	y 24 <sup>th</sup> November 10.00am Court Room, Marlborough Town Hall. y 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2023 10.00am		

# Marlborough Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group

# **Highways Officer - Steve Hind**

#### 1. Environmental & Community Implications

1.1. Environmental and community implications were considered by the LHFIG during their deliberations. The funding of projects will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of environmental, social and community wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

# 2. Financial Implications

- 2.1. All decisions must fall within the Highways funding allocated to Marlborough Area Board.
- 2.2. If funding is allocated in line with LHFIG recommendations outlined in this report, and all relevant 3<sup>rd</sup> party contributions are confirmed, Marlborough Area Board will have a remaining Highways funding balance of £

#### 3. Legal Implications



3.1. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

# 4. HR Implications

4.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

# 5. Equality and Inclusion Implications

5.1 The schemes recommended to the Area Board will improve road safety for all users of the highway.

# 6. Safeguarding implications