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Report to	Malmesbury Area Board	
Date of Meeting	9 November 2011	
Title of Report	Local Transport Plan – Small Scale Transport and Highway Improvement Schemes	

Purpose of Report

To ask the area board to consider and approve the following recommendations from the Malmesbury Community Area Transport Group (CATG):

- 1. To approve the actions and recommendations outlined in section 8 of this report.
- 2. Allocate a further £1,018 towards project 21, traffic calming in Dauntsey between 'The Green' from opposite Olivemead Lane to 'Sedgemoor'.

1. Background

- 1.1. In 2011/2012 the 18 Area Boards were again allocated a discretionary budget of £250,000 to involve them in the assessment and selection of small scale transport schemes to be progressed in their community areas. Malmesbury area board was allocated £13,360.
- 1.2. A balance of £4,160 was carried forward from the 2010/11 budget to give a total of £17,520 for 2011/12.
- 1.3. This funding allocation is for capital funding and can only be used to provide new and improved infrastructure. It is suitable for schemes that improve safety, increase accessibility and sustainability by promoting walking; cycling and public transport and improve traffic management. It cannot be used to fund maintenance schemes or to pay for revenue functions such as passenger transport.
- 1.4. Malmesbury area board agreed to the establishment of a Community Area Transport Group (CATG) to consider issues /schemes with the support of highways officers and make recommendations to the area board.
- 1.5. The means by which the public and parishes can identify issues for consideration to the Malmesbury CATG is primarily via the <u>area board</u> <u>community issues process</u>
- 1.6. The current membership of the Malmesbury CATG comprises of Malmesbury area board councillors and a nominated representative from each division (see table below).

Division	Area Board councillor	Nominated representatives
Malmesbury	Simon Killane	Catherine Doody
Sherston	John Thomson	Martin Rea
Brinkworth	Toby Sturgis	Ellen Blacker
Minety	Carole Soden	John Marsh

- 1.7. Malmesbury CATG last met on 27 September 2011 and their next meeting will be on 24 January 2012.
- 1.8. Malmesbury CATG minutes are available from the <u>Malmesbury area board</u> <u>pages</u> of the council's website to enable information to be readily available to parish/town councils and the community.
- 1.9. The minutes largely consist of a table. Each issue/scheme is allocated a number on receipt, so numbers do not run sequentially, as some schemes have been completed or rejected and therefore removed.
- 1.10. The CATG will extend its membership to include an invitation to any parish council (who is not currently represented on CATG) to attend a meeting where there is an issue under discussion relevant to them.

2. Considerations

- 2.1. Cabinet have agreed that in future the CATG should in consider and make recommendations to the area board about Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs). The first task will be for the CATG to review the current SID sites in the Malmesbury community area.
- 2.2. Cabinet have delegated Waiting/Parking Restrictions to town and parish councils, with involvement of the area board only when a town/parish council feel unable to undertake the work. Details were sent to the town/parish councils in the September parish newsletter.
- 2.3. There are 17 issues/schemes on the CATG list (see appendix 1), some of which have received funding and are either awaiting completion or warrant further work when resources become available. Others have been retained on the list while applicants undertake investigative work. Some schemes have been combined as they have a common outcome.
- 2.4. A budget sheet outlining actual/final costs of projects was considered at the September meeting and the 2011/12 balance agreed was £3,722. It was recognised that there was sometimes a small amount of slippage between design and implementation and this figure needed to be used to have an accurate picture of the budget available to the group.

3. Environmental & Community Implications

3.1. Environmental and community implications were considered by the CATG 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.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1. All decisions must fall within the funding allocated to Malmesbury Area Board.
- 4.2. The budget remaining to CATG in September for 2011/12 was £3,722.

5. Legal Implications

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

6. HR Implications

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

7. Equality and Inclusion Implications

7.1. The schemes recommended to the area board will improve road safety for all users of the highway.

8. CATG Recommendations

- 8.1. <u>Scheme closures (please refer to appendix 1)</u>
 - 8.1.1. Kerb and footway, Swann Close, Crudwell (1) completed.
 - 8.1.2. Traffic calming/footway, Tetbury Lane, Crudwell (2 & 3) completed.
 - 8.1.3. Improvements to zebra crossing A429 near Primary Health Care Centre, Malmesbury (19) completed.
 - 8.1.4. **Traffic calming Park Road, Malmesbury (17)** options have been considered, but not a priority for CATG. The local school may want to consider when developing their Travel Plan.
 - 8.1.5. The Crescent, B4042, to provide a footway to enable access to the road into Lea village (28) purchase of land in adjacent field to accommodate a footpath is not cost effective.
 - 8.2. **Church Path, Oaksey (32)** Not appropriate for CATG. Refer back to Area Board for consideration of a Community Area Grant.
- 8.3. <u>Schemes requiring funding</u>
 - 8.3.1. Between 'The Green', from opposite Olivemead Lane to 'Sedgemoor', Dauntsey, to enhance pedestrian safety (21), requires a further £1,058 to complete this scheme, assuming that the parish council agree to contributing a further £600 (to be added to £620 already contributed by the parish council)
- 8.4. The remaining 10 schemes will be retained; the majority are being developed at present.

Appendices	Appendix 1 – Malmesbury community area transport schemes under consideration
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