

# **Area Board Project/Councillor Initiative**

## 1. What is the project?

The Area Board has recognised that the issue of road safety is a significant issue for people living in and around Lake View, Quemerford. The CATG (Highways working group) has been working to identify schemes that might help to address the issue since April 2010. Attempts to find a pedestrian crossing scheme that is acceptable to local residents have, so far, been unsuccessful.

In September 2011 the area board held a community discussion at which local people, Councillors and Wiltshire Council officers met to discuss the issue. The most important issue for residents was the ability of children to travel to school on a safer route. A number of ideas came forward and were referred to the Highways Working Group for further investigation.

Several projects have been found to address other CATG priorities in the Community Area and these are now in the process of being implemented, the Lake View issue is now one of the groups top priorities.

Wiltshire Council has assessed the area as meeting requirements for a Community Speedwatch project and the Area Board will also be putting the area forward as a site for the temporary Speed Indicator Devices rota. (SID)

Councillor Christine Crisp leads the CATG and is now bringing forward a project that was identified by the community in September 2011, which the Area Board could implement. This would provide an extension to the existing footpath on the Southern side of the A4.

## 2. Where is the project taking place?

On the A4 at Quemerford, Calne in the vicinity of Lake View.

## 3. When will the project take place?

The project would be implemented as soon as it could be factored into the Highways schedule.

## 4. Please outline:

- Community benefits
- Evidence of need
- Links to Community Plan
- Community Issue

This issue has been a long standing matter on the Area Boards Issues System. It links to matters of road safety that are of significant concerns to the majority of residents living on the Lake View estate. Studies have shown that traffic speeds in the area tend to exceed the 30mph

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limit that is in operation. Children who live at Lake View have to cross this road to get to school. Local people have suggested this project as a potential way to address the issue.

# 5. What is the desired outcome/s of this project?

The project will see a footpath created that will link the existing one at Lake view to the footpath that leads towards the town (see attached plan) via River view or by continuing along the A4 on the footway to Stockley Lane to safer crossing places and footpath links to John Bentley School and Holy Trinity School.

## 6. Who will Project Manage this project?

Mark Stansby – (Senior Traffic Management Engineer)
Jane Vaughan – (Community Area Manager)
Calne Area Board CATG – Highways Working Group

## 7. Please confirm costs and provide quotes

- Total project costs up to and including £5,000 1 quote
- Total project costs over £5,000 3 quotes

## Option 1

Cost of all construction works for option 1 = £10885

10% fee's = £1085

Total Cost of option 1 = £11970

#### Option 2

Cost of all construction works for option 2 = £20835

10% Fee's = £2083

Total cost of Option 2 = £22918

# 8. Additional information in support of the project

The completion of this scheme would represent a major step forward in addressing this priority issue for the Area Board and would also show the value of the way that Area Boards are working with the community to find and deliver suitable solutions for community issues.