

COMMUNITY AREA TRANSPORT GROUP
SMALL-SCALE TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT SCHEME
RECOMMENDATIONS

Purpose of the Report

To put forward for approval recommendations from the Community Area Transport Group

1. Background

- 1.1. In 2012/13 Trowbridge Area Board has been allocated £15,354 discretionary budget to involve them in the assessment and selection of small-scale transport schemes and other Highways matters to be progressed in their community area.
- 1.2. It should be noted that this allocation is for capital funding and can only be used to provide new and improved infrastructure. It is to be used 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, these are selected using technical surveys and inspections. In addition, it cannot be used to pay for revenue functions such as the funding of bus stops.
- 1.3. Due to the complexity of assessing and selecting schemes from the many requests, and the potential time that such an agenda item would take, each Area Board was requested to set up a Community Area Transport Group (CATG) to make recommendations to the Area Board.

2. Main Considerations

- 2.1 It was agreed that, following a topographical survey undertaken at the Shires Gateway/Bythesea Road, to recommend to the Area Board to allocate £7,500 from the small scale transport and highway improvement schemes budget towards a Substantive Highways Scheme bid to implement the recommendations from the findings of the topographical survey. A presentation about the findings of the survey will be given at the Area Board meeting.
- 2.2 It was agreed to recommend to the Area Board to allocate £1,400 from the small scale transport and highway improvement schemes budget for a three zone pedestrian count on Bradley Road following issues for pedestrians crossing the road close to the Spitfire Retail Park. The count is to assess the level of the issue to determine if improvements would be required. It should be noted that a smaller one zone pedestrian count could be undertaken for £595.

2.3 It was agreed to recommend to the Area Board the allocation of a SID to Silver Street Lane to assist the Community Speedwatch Group

3. Environmental Impact of the Proposals

3.1 There is no environmental impact

4. Financial Implications

4.1 In 2012/13 Trowbridge Area Board has been allocated £15,354 discretionary Budget for small scale highway improvement schemes

5. Legal Implications

None

6. HR Implications

None

7. Equality and Diversity Implications

None

8. Recommendations

8.1 It is recommended that £7,500 is committed from the small scale transport and highway improvement schemes budget to go towards a Substantive Highways Scheme bid to implement recommendations from the findings that have come out of the topographical survey that has been carried out at the Shires Gateway.

8.2 It is recommended that £1,400 is committed from the small scale transport and highway improvement schemes budget towards a 3 zone pedestrian count on Bradley Road following issues with pedestrians crossing the road close to the Spitfire Retail Park. The count is to assess the level of the issue to determine if improvements would be required.

8.3 It is recommended that the Area Board allocates a SID, in rotation with other prioritised SIDs, to Silver Street Lane to assist the Community Speed watch Group.

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