

A303 – RAT RUNNING: ACTION PLAN

	Comments	Ideas	Action	Update in January 2014
1.	<p>Winterbourne Stoke is badly affected by A303 congestion</p> <p>The village has its own blog spot http://bypasswinterbournestoke.blogspot.co.uk/</p>	<p>(1)Needs a 30mph speed limit</p> <p>(2)Speed limits need to be better enforced</p> <p>(3)SIDs to be placed at either end of village</p>	<p>Have written to MPs. Both have confirmed their awareness of this issue and persistence in keeping this on the agenda at the highest level.</p> <p>Seek HA acceptance to place SIDs at either end of village</p> <p>Deployment programme now includes this request ✓</p>	<p>Await result of government feasibility study (to report at the latest March 2015)</p> <p>HA have requested a safety audit / risk assessment be undertaken at each SID location and be submitted to them along with a method statement for installation prior to giving written approval. In principle, the HA rep can see no issue with installing the SIDs.</p> <p>SID to be placed at either end of village for a two week period, commencing the 6th March 2014 provided approval is in place</p>
2.	<p>Shrewton has a campaign group set up to tackle the rat running</p>	<p>SIDs need to go up in Shrewton as a matter of urgency, on the A360 and B3086</p> <p>A 20mph speed limit throughout the village on the A360 was suggested</p>	<p>Requested ✓</p> <p>Need to await policy – then pursue via CATG</p>	<p>See attached deployment programme</p> <p>Discuss at 17 Feb CATG</p>
3.	<p>Longbarrow roundabout is adding to the congestion levels and consequent rat running through Larkhill, especially HGV traffic</p>	<p>Graham to discuss his ideas with Kirsty Rose</p>	<p>Graham meeting with Kirsty Rose (kr) – meeting on site to talk through various issues</p>	<p>Issues relating to increased vehicle volumes will be addressed as part of a 2 stage monitoring exercise in March and July this year (see attached). KR to look into the potential for signing improvements/changes to improve conspicuity of and adherence to the speed limits at Larkhill.</p>

4.	The new Countess Roundabout layout is particularly dangerous because of the two lanes into one system for the A345	A single lane system is needed Need to find out before and after results of traffic flow, before requesting measures to tackle concerns	Comments to HA and Wilts Council Officers	The Area Board has requested an urgent meeting with the Highways Agency to discuss this matter The monitoring report referred to in the attached will also assist this
5.	Travelling north and south across the Countess Roundabout is very difficult because of A303 congestion	The traffic lights on the countess roundabout need to be reprogrammed to come on only at peak times Introduce yellow hatching	As above	The Area Board has requested an urgent meeting with the Highways Agency to discuss this matter The monitoring report referred to in the attached will also assist this
6.	A dual carriageway on the A303 would solve the issue, as would a bypass for Winterbourne Stoke	Various campaigns and representations continue to be made on this	Councillors to continue to make representations and support local concerns	Awaiting update of government feasibility study
7.	Rat running, especially HGVs on Telegraph Hill, Bulford and through Woodhenge	Traffic flow surveys needed and comparisons made with conditions prior to roundabout works, A344 closure and development of the new visitor centre		The board has asked for a review of the Weight Limits at Telegraph Hill, Bulford and through Woodhenge. Following publication of above monitoring report – ensure sufficient regard is given to these 3 sites and modifications to weight limits escalated as appropriate.
8.	Rat running on a number of other routes, especially through Shrewton, Larkhill, Amesbury, Bulford, Durrington		Monitoring required	The detailed coverage of the monitoring report will supply the comprehensive detail of traffic movements through the rat runs and then appropriate actions can be pursued.

9.	Electronic signage strategically placed on the eastern stretch of the A303 informing all that there are no congestion issues approaching countless roundabout	Understand more about the feasibility of such a request	Make the request to the HA	The Area Board to discuss this at their urgent meeting with the HA
10.	Congestion is not helped by drivers slowing down to look at the stones as they pass through	Build a bund between the A303 and the stones	John Smale to put suggestion to HA and EH	This request has been put to English Heritage
11.	The C42 (Woodford Valley) is being used as a rat run too	Review of speed limit and use of road is currently being discussed by CATG	Discuss at next CATG	The CATG has agreed to fund the implementation of the reviewed speed limit on this road. The board will ask for the C42 to be added to the attached map so that it is included within the parameters of the monitoring exercise
12.	English Heritage need to understand the level of concern that it should work with Wiltshire, Somerset & Devon Councils to solve the A303 problem	This is conveyed at the Stonehenge Management Plan meetings	Continue to ensure this is on the agenda of the management plan meetings	It is positive to note the MPs support for the Area Board's representations, and the prospect of the feasibility study referred to above
14.	A roundabout at Rolleston Crossroads directing all traffic down B3086 for the A303 and A360 is needed to prevent rat running in Orcheston.	Assess earlier traffic flow predictions with current situation and introduce measures as requested	CATG to pursue	The CATG were advised at its December 2013 meeting, that such a scheme could cost £500k, and up to £10k just for a feasibility study. The Shrewton rep agreed to take this matter to a Shrewton Parish Council meeting to talk through the options and potential for developer funding.
15.	A 30mph speed limit is needed on the C291 Elston Lane, Orcheston	Assess earlier traffic flow predictions with current situation and introduce measures as requested	CATG to pursue	CATG has agreed to prioritise the C291 as one of the C roads to be reviewed in 13/14.