

Report to	Malmesbury Area Board
Date of Meeting	5 November 2014
Title of Report	Small Scale Transport and Highway Improvement Schemes – Recommendations from Malmesbury Community Area Transport Group (CATG)

Purpose of Report

- 1. To ask the area board to consider and approve the recommendations from the Malmesbury Community Area Transport Group (CATG) outlined in this report/appendices.
- 2. Remind town/parish councils that a contribution of 25% is requested towards all CATG schemes (with the exception of substantive schemes).

1. Background

- 1.1. In 2014/2015 Malmesbury area board was allocated a discretionary budget of £13,360 to involve them in the assessment and selection of small scale transport schemes to be progressed in their community area. The 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.
- 1.2. 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. The means by which the public and parishes can identify issues for consideration to the Malmesbury CATG is primarily via the <u>area board community issues process</u>
- 1.3. The membership of the Malmesbury CATG comprises of Malmesbury area board councillors and a nominated parish council representative from each electoral division (see table below).

Division	Area Board councillor	Nominated representatives
Malmesbury	Simon Killane	Roger Budgen
Sherston	John Thomson	Graham Morris
Brinkworth	Toby Sturgis	Ellen Blacker
Minety	Chuck Berry	Vacant

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- 1.4. Since approval of the 4 parish representatives in July, the representative from the Minety ward has resigned from the parish council, leaving a vacancy. Parish councils in the Minety Ward, namely: Minety, Oaksey, Leigh, Crudwell and Ashton Keynes are invited to submit a nominee. The CATG meeting 4-5 times a year on a Tuesday evening from 6pm.
- 1.5. Further information about how the CATGs operate can be found at http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/catg-area-boards-practice-papers.pdf
- 1.6. Parish councils and individuals who have submitted issues being discussed by the CATG are also invited to attend CATG meetings.
- 1.7. All issues referred to Malmesbury CATG will be assessed and scored to assist members of CATG to prioritise projects.
- 1.8. A condition of progressing schemes relies on parish councils consulting locally and demonstrating community support for schemes. They are also asked for a contribution of 25% towards the cost of schemes. Town/parish councils are reminded to consider this when setting their precepts. The exception of the 25% contribution applies to substantive schemes.
- 1.9. Malmesbury CATG last met on 24 June 2014 and will next meet on 14 October 2014.

2. Recommendations from CATG and other information

- 2.1. The area board is asked to note and approve actions and recommendations of the 7 October Malmesbury CATG meeting contained in Appendix 1. These will shortly to be available from the Malmesbury area board pages of the council's website.
- 2.2. The current CATG budget statement can be found in Appendix 2. The balance on 1st October was £28,944.25.
- 2.3. The following work has been completed:
 - Kerbstone work at Hillside.
 - Reversing the priority of traffic at Bendy Bow, Oaksey.
 - Installation of carriageway speed-limit roundels and signing, plus 'Pedestrian in road' signs on B4696 Ashton Keynes.
 - Investigation of speeding of Speeding through Foxley village, Foxley Road (C68) no action.
 - Working with St Paul Malmesbury Without parish council and local residents to establish Community Speedwatch on B4042 Malmesbury to Sir Bernard Lovell Road and cutting back vegetation.
 - Recommended referral of concerns about speed limit on A429 south of Malmesbury to the Malmesbury Neighbourhood Planning group.

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3. HR Implications

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

4. Equality and Inclusion Implications

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

5. Environmental & Community Implications

5.1. 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.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1. Malmesbury area board approved the recommendation of the CATG that town/parish councils should contribute 25% to all schemes. An exception being substantive schemes.
- 6.2. All decisions must fall within the funding allocated to Malmesbury Area Board.

7. Legal Implications

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

Appendices	Appendix 1 – Malmesbury CATG Action Notes 7 October 2014. Appendix 2 – Financial Summary October 2014, Malmesbury CATG
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