

Community Area Transport Group (CATG)
Recommendations to Corsham Area Board

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To provide an update on the recommendations from the CATG meeting that took place on 16th October 2014.

2. Background

- 2.1 In July 2013 Wiltshire Council were alerted by local highways office of a collision at the junction of Silver Street and Velley Hill in Corsham. Details of the incident were sketchy but a vehicle had left the road and had knocked down the old fingerpost and chevron located at this junction. The local highways team were approached by Corsham Town Council to replace / reinstate these signs. Given the established 30 mph speed limit, WC considered it appropriate, and within the guidelines shown in Local Transport Note 1/94 to place new map type direction signs much closer to the junction but to then omit any direction signs at the junction itself. This would result in a reduction on the number of signs for this junction from 3 units to 2. These new signs are very comparable in size to the ones being replaced although we have taken the opportunity to review the destinations displayed and to display destinations in order of furthest first, as detailed in the Traffic Signs Manual.
- 2.2 A letter of complaint was sent to WC objecting to the new signs so the matter was referred to CATG for consideration and the complainant was invited to the meeting to make his views known.
- 2.3 The complainant did not attend the meeting on 16th October so the matter was dealt with in his absence.

3. Recommendations from CATG

- 3.1 To install the new advance direction signs in the interests of road safety and traffic management.
To remove the bend warning signs to help reduce the impact on the environment, resulting in three fewer sign assemblies than before.

The CATG agreed unanimously to the officers recommendations.

4. **Reason for recommendation**

4.1 The scheme proposed above has the support of CATG,

5. **Proposal**

5.1 To support the recommendations from the CATG meeting of 16th October 2014 as outlined in paragraph 3.1 above.

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Background Papers: CATG notes of 16th October 2014

Appendices: None