

DEVIZES AREA BOARD
23 March 2015

COMMUNITY AREA TRANSPORT GROUP
MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 9 March 2015

Purpose of the Report

To provide an update and recommendations to Devizes Area Board from the meeting of the Community Area Transport Group meeting held on Monday 9th March 2015.

Notes of Meeting

Devizes CATG Notes, March 9 2015

Present:

- Peter Evans - Devizes Town Council
- Ann Lumb - Great Cheverell Parish Council
- Kelvin Nash – Devizes Town Council
- Kristian Price – Wiltshire Council
- Gareth Rogers - Senior Engineer, Wiltshire Council
- Richard Rogers - Community Area Manager for Devizes, Wiltshire Council
- Steve Valentine – Roundway Parish Council (first part only)
- Philip Whitehead – Member of Devizes Area Board and Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport

- Philip Salaman - Marston Parish Council

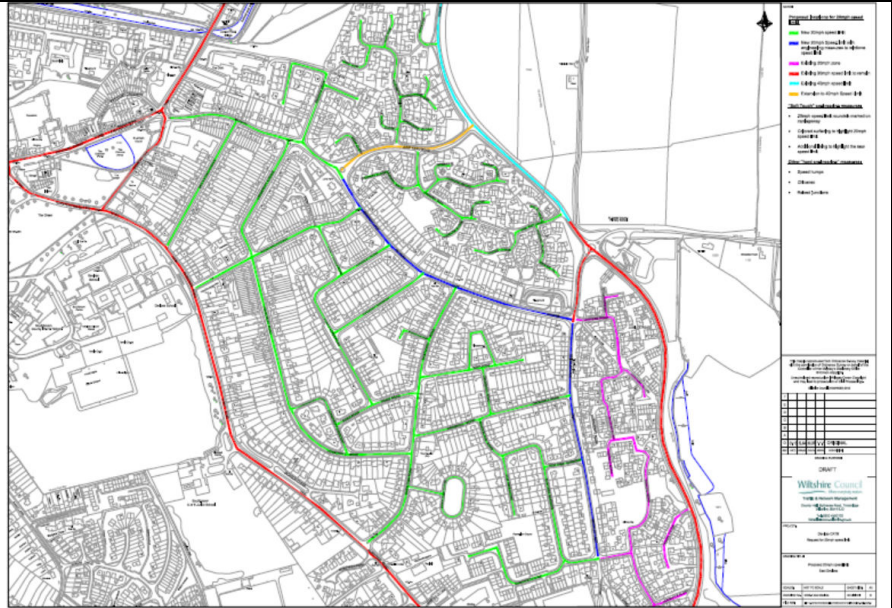
Apologies

- Rob Edwards – Potterne PC
- Kelvin Nash – Devizes Town Council

Welcome	Rob Edwards has let the CATG know that he can no longer commit to these meetings and will no longer be attending.
Funding Update	GR presented the current funding situation: Current budget credit - £8,243 (See summary at end of notes)
Marston Parish Council – Request for change in speed limit for 30mph in village and accompanying signs	Marston parish Council attended the meeting to make the case that although not signed; the speed limit in the village should be 30mph rather than 60mph. The basis for this was around the density of lamp posts in the area. GR advised that the criteria is more complex than this and in rural areas, factors such as the density of housing are also considered The key question is whether there is a de-restriction order in place and the result of this would decide the next steps that

	<p>should be taken.</p> <p>Alongside this, evidence of actual speeds is required so that the exact problem can be identified and tackled</p> <p>ACTION – Explore whether a de-restriction order exists. (GR)</p> <p>ACTION – Get some data and evidence upon true speeds (GR)</p> <p>ACTION – Look at the road markings and make sure they are all clear (KP)</p>
<p>Roundway Parish Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for hard standing at Bus Stop • Request for signage at Quakers Walk to deter motorbikes 	<p>The Parish Council are asking for permission to put some slabs down for a hard safe standing at the bus stop along Windsor Drive. Currently people have to stand on grass or the road.</p> <p>KP advised that a proper tarmac hard area with edging is required rather than slabs.</p> <p>Roundway Parish Council has agreed to pay the cost. It was agreed that the preferred way of completing this is for Wiltshire Council to undertake the work although it will take longer than if Roundway brought in an approved contractor themselves.</p> <p>ACTION – SV to let GR know the exact location (SV)</p> <p>ACTION – Confirmation of cost to be given to Roundway PC before commissioning the work (GR)</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION – Subject to agreement by Roundway Parish Council to pay costs, Wiltshire Council to carry out the work. (GR)</p> <p>The improvements to the path have been widely welcomed. However there is a perception that it has attracted more use from motorbikes and horses. The question is raised by the Parish Council regarding what can be done to prevent this?</p> <p>The group commented that signs rarely stop misuse. To prevent motor vehicles and horses, a physical barrier such as a staggered gate or kissing gate is required.</p> <p>However, Quakers Walk is not a highway and is therefore not</p>

	<p>an issue for the CATG</p> <p>ACTION – Pass the concern to Paul Millard in rights of way team as it is not a highway and not a CATG issue. Ask for SV to be kept informed (RR)</p>
<p>Snuff Street being used as rat run</p>	<p>Cllr Carter asked the CATG to consider the wider issue of signposting of Snuff Street as well as road markings which he suggested encourage rather than discourage entry from the Market Place. He requested that the 'one way' arrow to be removed and, if practicable, replaced with markings that mimic those on the sign.</p> <p>The group felt that the road is clearly signposted and if abused then it is an offence and a police issue. The fact that it this occurs at a specific time suggests that those who do this know that it is not permitted.</p> <p>The Devizes Town Council are now aware of this concern and can decide to raise it with the Police if they wish to do so.</p>
<p>Assessment of the 20mph requests for Devizes East and Urchfont</p>	<p>The group considered the assessment reports</p> <p>Both schemes have been considered appropriate for 20mph.</p> <p><i>Urchfont</i> – The group requests that consideration be given to the 20mph starting as near to the main road as possible</p> <p><i>Devizes East</i> – The assessment recommends that the majority of roads were appropriate for 20mph. Softer touches or/and traffic calming measures could be used to bring speeds down where 20mph is not appropriate. (See map below)</p>



The group supported both schemes but requested that they are refined and to explore if there is any match funding available for implementation

RECOMMENDATION – To support taking forward both schemes

ACTION – The assessments to be given to the Town Council to consider whether they would support them and if they would help with funding. (KN)

The group were asked whether 2 more schemes should be looked at for the coming year. It was felt that they were useful to identify areas where more attention for pedestrians should be given. Whilst not always appropriate for all situations, it was agreed to consider future schemes.

ACTION – Put together list of potential 20mph areas including those that have been already assessed and any new requests. Bring to next CATG meeting (RR/GR)

ASB near Bishops Cannings

Following damage to the car park and ASB, signage and a dummy camera is requested to be installed.

RECOMMENDATION - £500 contribution from the CATG for this work to take place

Cheverell Magna Parish Council

- **School Lane**

The Parish Council are requesting the installation of a new sign to mark “School Lane”

<p>Sign</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on informal crossing and bollards 	<p>The Parish Council believe that this request has already been made. KP will look at whether an order has been submitted. If it has, KP will report back to the meeting on progress. If not, then an order will need to be made.</p> <p>ACTION – Look at whether there is an order and if not start one (KP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Civil Engineering work has been completed. The work associated with the Buff High Friction Surfacing and Road Markings has been delayed due to weather / carriageway conditions, but will be undertake shortly. During the design process it was identified that the available footway width was insufficient to allow for the introduction of bollards as this would have resulted in narrowing the remaining width to below a satisfactory level that would accommodate wheelchair and pushchairs users.
<p>Stert Parish Council – Request for a new sign that is accurate at the fork in the village</p>	<p>Some vehicles are driving down the road into Stert which is a dead end and then driving through the farm and back on to the main road.</p> <p>KP advised that a ‘No Through Road’ may be the appropriate way of tackling this issue.</p> <p>ACTION – Talk to Stert Parish Council about what is required (KP)</p>
<p>UPDATES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Rowde Metro Count The Parish Council have informed the Community Area Manager that a metro count by the school is not required. The foliage has been cut making the signs for the schools more visible II. Rotherstone – Reconstruction of the pavement The road has been resurfaced over the years and is now the same height as the pavement ACTION – Speak to Peter Bingley about the situation (GR) III. Caen Hill The work is underway IV. Urchfont The bus stop should be ordered by the end of March although the work may take a while to be completed 	

<p>V. Cycle Stands</p>	<p>This is programmed for April 2016</p>
<p>VI. Potterne</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signs at Freith 	<p>A survey has been done and the signs will be ordered shortly</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crossings 	<p>Following on from the surveys of possible crossing points, the findings are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>From Ryeleaze steps to footpath on Highlands wall side</i> – Not enough people want to cross to make it viable 2. <i>Opposite existing Post Office to Rookes Lane</i> - An Assessment was carried out about 7 years ago which showed a number of people crossing. This was possibly because of the post office. Any scheme would lose a number of parking spaces 3. <i>Bottom of Blounts Court estate to the Bash (George & Dragon)</i> – There is nothing that can be done at this location <p>ACTION – Report back a summary of these findings to Potterne Parish Council to see how they wish to take this forward. (GR)</p>
<p>AOB</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dates of future meetings 	<p>Monday mornings are no longer available for the chairman.</p> <p>The next meeting will be on the 6th May at 10am in the Uffington Room, Kennet House.</p> <p>Subsequent meetings will be on each Wednesday two weeks before the area board meeting.</p> <p>They will all start at 10am at a venue to be advised</p>

Devizes CATG
FINANCIAL SUMMARY

BUDGET 2014-15

CATG ALLOCATION 2014-15	£15,751.00	CATG ALLOCATION 2014-15
		£24,920.29 2013-14 underspend
Contributions		
Area Board	£0.00	
Dauntsey School	£20,000.00	West Lavington Zebra crossing
Rowde Parish Council	£296.50	50% Costs to maximum £1500
Urchfont Parish Council	£8,100.00	
Total Budget 2014-15	£69,067.79	
Commitments carried forward from 2012-13		
New Park Street bus stop pole	167.07	Complete - awaiting bill
Commitments carried forward from 2013-14		
West Lavington Ped Enhancements	1,583.00	Outstanding Works Omitted from Initial Phase
Devizes Experimental Coach Parking	1,190.00	Remaining for Traffic Regulation Order Costs
West Lavington Zebra Crossing	25,000.00	Complete - awaiting final account
Devizes Cycle Parking	2,356.89	Order Value
Caen Hill Pedestrian improvements	4,000.00	Indicative cont to maint works (+ 4,000 from Melksham)
Actuals from 2014-15		
Bath Road Ped Crossing Survey	775.00	Actual
Devizes, Long Street Weight Restriction Assessment Initial scoping	1,279.00	Actual
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Commitments 2014-15		
Rowde Chestnut Close / Springfield Road Dropped Kerb Crossing:	594.00	Order Value
Great Cheverell Crossing Point & On Carriageway Footway	2,126.42	Order Value
Speed Limit Implementation (C8 & C20)	8,000.00	Estimate
Urchfont Crossing & Bus Provision	13,100.00	Estimate
Potterne Pedestrian Crossing Investigation	1,000.00	Estimate
Frieth' Nameplate Signs	400.00	Estimate
Total commitment 2014-15	£61,571.38	
Remaining Budget 2014-15	£7,496.41	Underspend

Recommendations to Devizes Area Board

The area board is asked to agree the following three recommendations:

1. Subject to agreement from Roundway Parish Council to pay for costs, to agree for a hard standing being erected at the bus stop along Windsor Drive.
2. To implement 20mph speed restriction at Urchfont Village and Devizes East as recommended in the assessments
3. To contribute £500 towards signage and a dummy camera at Bishops Cannings car park to prevent anti-social behaviour.

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