Report to	Malmesbury Area Board	
Date of Meeting	8 July 2015	
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 at least 25% is requested towards all CATG schemes (with the exception of substantive schemes).

1. Background

- 1.1. In 2015/2016 Malmesbury area board has been 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	Mandy Thomas

- 1.4. Further information about how the CATGs operate can be found at <u>http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/catg-area-boards-practice-papers.pdf</u>
- 1.5. Parish councils and individuals who have submitted issues being discussed by the CATG are also invited to attend CATG meetings.
- 1.6. All issues referred to Malmesbury CATG will be assessed and scored at the appropriate time to assist members of CATG to prioritise projects.
- 1.7. 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 at least 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.
- 1.8. Malmesbury CATG last met on 23 June 2015 and the next meeting will take place on 13 October 2015.

2. Recommendations from CATG and other information

- 2.1. The area board is asked to note and approve actions and recommendations of the 15 April 2015 Malmesbury CATG meeting contained in Appendix 1. These will shortly to be available from the <u>Malmesbury area board pages</u> of the council's website.
- 2.2. The CATG budget balance on 31 May was **£30,029.63** (including carry forwards). The full statement is available in Appendix 2.

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 23 June 2015. Appendix 2 – Financial Summary 31 May 2015, Malmesbury CATG.
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