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Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022

To all members of the Council Highway & Streetscene Committee: Councillors: John Glover (Council Chair), David Pafford (Council Vice-Chair); Alan Baines, Terry Chivers, Mark Harris, Stefano Patacchiola and Robert Shea-Simonds

You are invited to attend the Highway & Streetscene Committee Meeting which will be held on **Monday, 26 September 2022 at 8.00pm** at **Melksham Melksham Without Parish Council Offices (First Floor), Melksham Community Campus, Market Place, SN12 6ES** to consider the agenda below:

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Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "T. Strange".

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# AGENDA

1. **Welcome, Announcements & Housekeeping**
2. **To receive Apologies and approval of reasons given.**
3. a) **To receive Declarations of Interest**  
  
b) **To consider for approval any Dispensation Requests received by the Clerk and not previously considered.**
4. **To consider holding items in Closed Session due to confidential nature**  
*Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting (Item 10a)ii) during consideration of business, where publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.*
5. **Public Participation**
6. **To note Minutes of last Highways & Street Scene Committee meeting held on 18 July 2022 and updates on actions taken.**
7. **Local Highways & Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG) (formerly Community Area Transport Group – CATG)**
  - a) **To note Minutes and action log of Local Highways & Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG) meeting held on 4 August 2022.**
  - b) **To approve the Council's 50% contribution towards recent requests submitted to LHFIG for consideration; now indicative costs have been provided.**
  - c) **To consider priority of current requests with LHFIG**
  - d) **Following the LHFIG Meeting.**
    - **To confirm if request 9-19-11 Portal Road white gates is for both sides of the road or just the "hangars" side.**
    - **To confirm on request 9-22-18 Bowerhill Lane if preference is for bollards or barriers.**
  - e) **To consider response to query on use of s106 funding vs government Active Travel funding for recent improvements to A350 Western Way crossing – Issue 9-20-3 (if received)**
  - f) **To consider response on query on shuttering on new traffic lights outside Shaw School (if received)**

**8. To consider residents' requests for support by the Parish Council including requests for the Local Highways & Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG) next meeting on 4 August 2022):**

- a) Request for play area warning signs on A350, Beanacre.
- b) Request to change configuration/remove safety bars on Corsham Road, Whitley.
- c) Request for 20mph zone and appropriate signing for Pathfinder Place development

**9. Speed Enforcement**

- a) To note new Speed Indicator Device schedule is underway and the device appears to be working effectively.
- b) To note old SID is currently with manufacturer for repair
- c) To consider feedback from meeting with Community Action Whitley & Shaw (CAWs) regarding requests for traffic calming methods..

**10. Proposed A350 Bypass**

- a) To note information on when the M4 to Coast Study will be published.

**11. Cycling & Walking Infrastructure**

- a) Wiltshire Council Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan. To consider response to consultation (consultation ends on 26 September) <https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/transport-town-cycle-networks>
- b) To note latest government guidance for Cycling Infrastructure [https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/951074/cycle-infrastructure-design-ltn-1-20.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/951074/cycle-infrastructure-design-ltn-1-20.pdf)

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## Melksham Local Highways & Footway Improvement Group

	Item	Update,	Actions and recommendations	Who
	<b>Melksham LHFIG – Note of meeting held on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 16:30 hrs</b>			
<b>1.</b>	<b>Attendees and apologies</b>			
	Attendees:	Wiltshire Councillors - Jonathon Seed (Chairman), Phil Alford, Nick Holder Melksham Without PC – Alan Baines Steeple Ashton PC - Malcolm Jones/ John Tapper Semington PC - Colin Wade Wiltshire Council officers – Mark Stansby, Peter Dunford	Area Board to note.	AB
	Apologies:	Melksham Town Council		
<b>2.</b>	<b>Notes of last meeting</b>			
		The notes of the previous LHFIG meeting held on 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2022 were presented to the Area Board on 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2022, passing all recommendations.	LHFIG to note.	All

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<b>3.</b>	<b>New Policy on submission of Issues to the LHFIG</b>			
		<p>The following Policy was agreed by the Area Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Each agenda item should be discussed and ratified by the relevant Full Council of each Town and Parish Council unless an alternative process is agreed and accepted by the LHFIG.</li> <li>b) Attendance at LHFIG should be by an authorised representative who is fully briefed, has visited the site and is authorised to act on behalf of the Council.</li> <li>c) Each Council should be committed to part-fund each project: financial contributions will normally be expected at a rate of 50% for the larger Councils (Melksham Town and Melksham Without) and 25% for the other smaller Councils.</li> <li>d) The Chairman of the LHFIG reserves the right to withdraw consideration of any agenda item not meeting these requirements.</li> </ul> <p>N.B. Guidance on typical costs can be found on the Wiltshire Council Website (see Highways page). All items costing £500 or less will be funded in full by the LHFIG budget.</p>	LHFIG to note	All
<b>4.</b>	<b>Financial Position</b>			
		<p>The current balance for 2021/22, less previous commitments, stands at £26,147.87 (see Appendix 1).</p> <p>The current balance for 2022/23, less previous commitments stands at £38,185.87 (see Appendix 2).</p>	Area Board to note	AB



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<b>5.</b>	<b>Priority schemes</b>			
a)	6055 – Broughton Gifford - Gateways and Traffic Management measures.	<p>The scheme, plus some remedial work, has been completed with interim costs standing at £13,357.13.</p> <p>Highways will refurbish any defective road markings over this summer period.</p> <p>Safety concerns have been raised about the cobbled feature and Highways will discuss this with the Parish Council, with a view to making some changes.</p>	<p>Area Board to note</p> <p>Highways to arrange site meeting with Parish Representatives</p>	<p>AB</p> <p>Highways</p>
b)	A365 Shaw Bath Road Footway improvements – funded by Section 106 monies from George Ward Gardens development.	<p>Resurfacing of the footway from the new drop kerb to the first field access, towards Shaw is to take place during during 22/23.</p> <p>Construction has been pencilled in for the October half term week, subject to road space and gang availability.</p>	Highways to action	Highways
c)	Issue 9-20-9 – Melksham Sandridge Road – request to improve footway link to Maple Close	<p>Town Council and Highways representatives have met with the land owner to agree in principle the area of land to be dedicated. This would result in a 2 metre wide path parallel to the A3102, and a wider area where the path turns through 90 degrees towards Maple Close. A new boundary wall is to be constructed as part of this agreement.</p> <p>The estimated combined cost, inclusive of Wiltshire Council's legal fees is in the region of £20,000. This figure includes for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>removal of the existing fence, hedgerow and roots.</li> <li>Provision of footings for wall and edging for new path and to provide temporary fencing.</li> </ul>	Highways to liase with internal legal team	Highways

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completion of footway work following construction of the wall.</li> </ul> <p>The landowner's legal costs are to be met by the Town Council in full.</p> <p>A site meeting has been held to agree the extent of the work with the property owner. The legal process for the land dedication can now commence.</p>		
d)	Active Travel Scheme - Farmers Roundabout – signing to promote use of shared use cycle route to and from Holt Road and town bridge.	<p>Scheme to be funded from a third tranche of Section 106 money from the George Ward Gardens development.</p> <p>Signing work has been completed.</p> <p>There are funds remaining specifically to improve cycleway signing within the town.</p>	<p>Highways request that the Town Council consider where additional improvements could be made.</p> <p>Defer to next meeting with MTC present</p>	Town Council
e)	Melksham Dunch Lane – funded by Section 106 monies from George Ward Gardens development	<p>Consultation on full closure over rail bridge or one way operation from east to west and new parking controls to be carried out by the Town Council.</p> <p>Update from Town Council:</p>	Defer to next meeting with MTC present	MTC
f)	Active Travel Scheme - Melksham Town Bridge – drop kerbs and signs.	<p>Preliminary design work now completed, see drawings included (Appendix 3A and 3B). Preliminary costs, including legal fees for road closure and a 20% contingency fee are estimated in the region of £14,000.</p> <p>For discussion:</p>	Defer to next meeting with MTC present	MTC

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	Item	Update,	Actions and recommendations	Who
g)	Active Travel Scheme - Whitley West Hill to Top Lane – new footpath	<p>A site meeting has been held and it was agreed that any new footway provisions would need to be constructed on the southside of the lane. Phase 1 of this project has potentially been identified, a length of approximately 90 metres. This would run from the Bus Stop Hard standing opposite to property 158A, eastwards to the telephone box opposite property 161B. A location plan is included as Appendix 4.</p> <p>A ball park estimate to undertake this work, excluding any drainage considerations, would be in the region of £35,000.</p> <p>Since the site meeting was held, the issue has been discussed by Melksham Without's Highways &amp; Streetscene Committee and they have concluded that this proposal is not one of their current priorities and the project should be halted.</p>	LHFIG recommends to the Area Board that this item is closed.	AB
h)	Issue 9-21-5 – Littlemarsh old section of A350 – Speeding, littering and anti-social behaviour	<p>The Parish Council have opted to pursue road markings to include hatching to “narrow” the entrance and a SLOW marking. The work is to be included in the next round of ad-hoc road marking jobs.</p> <p>Work has been delayed due to unforeseen staff absence. Now likely to be done late August / early September.</p>	Area Board to note	AB
i)	Issue 9-22-1 – Melksham Footway linking Hazelwood Road & St Michaels Road – Request for lighting	<p>Issue submitted by Cllr Hubbard and Melksham Town Council.</p> <p>The location of a live feed is unclear (from existing records) and therefore it is difficult to give a robust estimate. Our consultants suggest a sum of £4,000 should cover the installation of 1 lighting column, located approximately at the mid point of the footway link.</p>	Defer to next meeting with MTC present	MTC

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		Highways awaiting confirmation from the Town Council of their 50% contribution.		
j)	Issue 9-22-4 – Melksham Westbury View – request for Access Protection Marking	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Town Council</p> <p>At the last meeting, the group agreed to the provision of an access protection marking outside No 34.</p> <p>Work has been delayed due to unforeseen staff absence. Now likely to be done late August / early September.</p>	Area Board to note	AB
k)	Issue 9-22-5 – Melksham Spa Road – safety concerns at access to & from Wharf Court	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Town Council</p> <p>Request for concealed access signs or similar. Highways advise that Concealed Entrance signs are not permitted on the Highway.</p> <p>Highways have been unable to identify a prescribed sign for this situation. Both Wharf Court and Meadowsweet Place are private accesses and visibility from these accesses satisfied the planning requirements.</p> <p>Highways suggest the placement of additional SLOW road markings which can be provided for less than £500.</p>	<p>LHFIG recommends to the Area Board that £500 is allocated to this project.</p> <p>Highways to action.</p>	<p>AB</p> <p>Highways</p>
l)	Issue 9-22-10 – Berryfield Semington Road – request to install 2 bus shelters	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>There is a Section 106 fund of £20,662 to provide 2 x shelters with seating, high access kerbs with RTI facility (or to be ready for RTI installation).</p>	Noted. No cost implication to LHFIG.	AB, MWPC & Highways

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		<p>Parish have met Highways on site. On the East side there should be sufficient space for a full size shelter but on the West side the highway extends to the back of the footway only, and so a cantilever shelter would be the only option.</p> <p>The project will be advanced when staff resources become available.</p>		
m)	Issue 9-22-12 – Bowerhill Halifax Road – request for drop kerbs to link Brampton Court with Sunderland Close	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>Parish have met Highways on site. It was agreed that the best solution is to provide 3 sets of drop kerbs, each side of Brampton Court and then over to Halifax Road. The ball park estimate is therefore closer to £3,500.</p> <p>At the last meeting the LHFIFG agreed to prioritised this project but did not commit any funding.</p>	MWPC to confirm funding contribution.	MWPC
n)	Issue 9-22-16 – Berryfield – request for direction signs to new village hall	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>Request for directional signs for motorists via Telford Drive and Pedestrians from Semington Road via new footway opposite New Inn.</p> <p>Highways can pursue signs on Semington Road, but the new estate has yet to be adopted. Suggest that signs within the estate are considered at a later time.</p> <p>Highways have designed the signs (see Appendix 5) and the cost to install these should be no more than £400.95.</p>	<p>LHFIFG recommends to the Area Board that £400.95 is allocated to this project.</p> <p>Highways to action.</p>	<p>AB</p> <p>Highways</p>

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<b>6.</b>	<b>New Requests and ongoing Issues</b>			
a)	Issue 9-19-9 – Bowerhill Falcon Way – Request for Bus Shelter near Kingfisher Drive for southbound travel.	<p>The Parish propose to install a 3 bay shelter measuring 3.06 m x 1.3m which will be RTI compatible. This will require a base (3.5m x 1.5m) complete with electrical ducting and connecting chamber.</p> <p>A ball park estimate to construct the base and install the electrical items should be in the region of £3,000 to £3,500, with legal fees of around £1,500.</p> <p>Whilst Highways are prepared to adopt this piece of land, Heron have now cast doubt over whether they would be willing to offer this pocket of land for adoption?</p> <p>Highways cannot proceed until this has been resolved.</p>	Issue needs to be resolved in discussion between MWPC, Heron Homes and WC (Allan Creedy)	MWPC
b)	Issue 9-19-11 – Bowerhill Portal Road – Request for Bowerhill nameplate and white gates	<p>Parish have met Highways on site. Whilst originally a site had been identified for a gateway feature close to the Dick Lovett development, a more suitable location, with wider verges, has now been identified between Herman Miller and the first hangar.</p> <p>A ball park estimate to provide a pair of gates and new village nameplate is likely to be around £4500 to £5,000, inclusive of traffic management.</p>	MWPC to confirm number of gates required and funding contribution	MWPC

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c)	Issue 9-20-3 - A350 Western Way – Pedestrian safety at signal controlled crossing on dual carriageway section.	<p>Work to upgrade the Crossing facility has now been completed.</p> <p>The Active Travel Scheme (as a whole) will be subject to a full road safety audit upon completion of some snagging items.</p>	LHFIG recommends to the Area Board that this item is closed.	AB
d)	Issue 9-22-2 – Melksham Union Street – Request for 20 mph speed limit assessment	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Town Council</p> <p>Results from a Speed Detector Radar survey show an Average Speed of 23 mph and 85<sup>th</sup> Percentile at 27mph. 7.1% of vehicles recorded were travelling in excess of 30 mph.</p> <p>Cost of 20 mph assessment is £2,500; agreed to combine with another road assessment to provide best value.</p>	LHFIG recommends to the Area Board that this item is closed until a new proposal is received.	AB
e)	Issue 9-22-3 – Melksham The Crays – request for drop kerbs	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Town Council</p> <p>Drop kerbs to facilitate access for wheelchair users at the junction of The Crays and Montague Place. A Ball Park cost for this project is between £2,000 and £2,500.</p> <p>Highways met with Town Council Officer on site and can see no reason why this could not be taken forward.</p>	Defer to next meeting with MTC present	MTC
f)	Issue 9-22-6 – Melksham Sandridge Road junction with Snarlton Lane – request for signs to direct drivers to Snarlton Farm	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Town Council</p> <p>Issue concerns HGV deliveries attempting to access the Farm via Snarlton Lane. Highways have considered direction signs to deter this and a proposal is included as Appendix 6.</p>	Defer to next meeting with MTC present	MTC

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		<p>A ball park estimate to undertake this work is £950, inclusive of temporary traffic management.</p> <p>For discussion:</p>		
g)	Issue 9-22-7 – Melksham – Eastern Way / Snowberry Lane – request for weight limit and 30 mph speed limit	<p>Issue submitted by Cllr Sankey and Melksham Town Council</p> <p>Changes requested on roads soon to be by-passed by new route via Camomile Place.</p> <p>Wiltshire currently has no Freight Management Policy and therefore Weight Limits cannot be considered at this time. With no fundamental changes taking place along the old route, a request for a 30mph limit is unlikely to meet the criteria.</p> <p>Advice from Highways Engineer is to monitor the situation once the new link road has been opened. Through traffic should naturally migrate to this new link road as it will form a more direct route</p>	LHFIG recommends to the Area Board that this item is closed.	AB
h)	Issue 9-22-8 – Steeple Ashton – Speeding Issues at village entrances and Parking on High Street	<p>Issue submitted by Steeple Ashton Parish Council</p> <p>Parish have met Highways on site. Coloured surface treatments have been ruled out at this time due to wear of the existing carriageway surfaces. However gateway road markings can be provided on approach to the speed limits on Common Hill and Ashton Common (see Appendix 7. The yellow transverse bars can be refreshed on Edington Road.</p> <p>To deter parking in the village centre, access protection markings can be painted at the junction of Acreshort Lane and a length of hatching adjacent to Ashton House.</p>	<p>SAPC has confirmed a £400 contribution to the scheme of work, to include the cost of the post.</p> <p>LHFIG recommends to the Area Board that this Issue is added to the priority Schems List and to allocate £1,170.</p> <p>Highways to action.</p>	<p>AB</p> <p>Highways</p>



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		<p>A ball park estimate to undertake this work, on an ad hoc basis, is £1,500.</p> <p>The Parish have also requested an additional post to help with their SID deployment Cost to supply one post is £70.</p>		
i)	Issue 9-22-9 – Bowerhill Dowding Way and Duxford Close – request for Street Nameplates	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>Area Highway Engineer has confirmed that the sign for Duxford close has been ordered at no cost to the LHFIG on the annual order for new nameplates. The sign(s) for Dowding Way require consultation with property owners and has missed the order for this year.</p> <p>Parish have agreed that this sign can wait until next year's order is placed and therefore there is no further action for the LHFIG.</p>	LHFIG recommends to the Area Board that this item is closed.	AB
j)	Issue 9-22-11 – A350 Beanacre - request for measures to control entry speed at north end of village	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>Parish have met Highways on site. It was noted that vegetation was masking the speed limit terminal signs with action now taken to rectify this.</p> <p>A suitable site for a gateway feature was identified and the gateway could include white gates, village nameplates and additional road markings.</p> <p>A ball park estimate to undertake this work is likely to be between £8,000 and £10,000, inclusive of traffic management.</p>	MWPC to investigate Solar Farm funding.	MWPC

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k)	Issue 9-22-13 – Bowerhill DeHavilland Place and Dowding Way – Request for footway extensions and drop kerbs	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>Parish have met Highways on site. Footway extensions at the sites proposed have now been ruled out due to underground services and safety concerns.</p> <p>An alternative crossing point, to give access into the Industrial Estate and beyond was identified at Cheshire Close to Pegasus Way.</p> <p>The work required includes one set of drop kerbs, possible short extension of footway (to line up the crossing point) and removal of 2 x concrete bollards. A ball park estimate is likely to be in the region of £2,500.</p>	MWPC to confirm funding contribution.	MWPC
l)	Issue 9-22-14 – Melksham Queensway – request for access protection marking	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Town Council</p> <p>No 2 has planning permission to install drop kerbs for new driveway, which is to be accessed from a lay-by.</p> <p>Highways are content in principle for an access protection marking to be painted but cannot confirm this until the new access has been constructed. Work on the access has yet to commence.</p>	LHFIG recommends to the Area Board that this item is closed.	AB
m)	Issue 9-22-15 – Melksham junction of Church Street and High Street and Lowbourne – request for audible warning at signal controlled crossing points	<p>Issue submitted by Melksham Town Council</p> <p>Audible warning at Church street signals de-activated and set at low level at crossing point by the Library.</p> <p>Highways have commissioned Atkins Signal consultants to investigate and report back.</p>	Defer to next meeting with MTC present	MTC

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n)	Issue 9-22-16 – Melksham Without (various roads) – request for Parking Control Measures	<p>New Issue Submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>Request for a Parking Review at the following locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Semington Canal Bridge</li> <li>• Lancaster Road Bowerhill</li> <li>• Avro Way Bowerhill</li> <li>• Merlin Way Bowerhill</li> <li>• Mitchell Drive Bowerhill</li> </ul>	<p>Include MTC sites to save legal costs of separate processes, estimated at up to £3,000.</p> <p>Defer until next meeting to allow time for MTC to identify sites.</p> <p>LHFIG recommends to the Area Board that this Issue is added to the priority Schemes List, with funding yet to be agreed.</p>	<p>MTC</p> <p>AB</p>
o)	Issue 9-22-18 – Bowerhill, Bowerhill Lane – request to replace staggered barriers with bollards to allow access to shared use path using a pony and trap.	<p>New Issue Submitted by Melksham Without Parish Council</p> <p>The path is recorded as Public Highway and links Bowerhill Lane with Hornchurch Road. The barriers have been placed to deter children running into the carriageway at each end, and possibly to prevent motor vehicles from using the link?</p>	<p>MWPC to confirm preference for bollards or barriers.</p> <p>Status of path to be confirmed by Rights of Way warden.</p>	MWPC
<b>7.</b>	<b>Other items</b>			
a)	<b>Pavement and Footway Improvement Schemes (pre-LHFIG)</b>	Area Highway Engineer to update on repairs at Philip Close, near Littlejohn Avenue in Melksham and footpath link between Union Street and King George V Playing Field:	No update available.	AC
b)	<b>Deadline for submitting LHFIG Requests</b>	<p>All requests are to be submitted two weeks prior to a meeting taking place. Requests received after the deadline will be held until the following meeting.</p> <p>The deadline for our next meeting is therefore 13<sup>th</sup> October 2022.</p>	<p>To note</p> <p>Highways Engineer to meet with MTC ahead of next meeting.</p>	<b>All</b>

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c)	<b>New mail box to submit requests to the LHFIG.</b>	<p>Wiltshire Council has created a new mail box for submitting requests. Effective immediately, please submit requests to <a href="mailto:LHFIGrequests@wiltshire.gov.uk">LHFIGrequests@wiltshire.gov.uk</a>.</p> <p>Requests for Traffic Surveys should continue to be sent to <a href="mailto:trafficsurveys@wiltshire.gov.uk">trafficsurveys@wiltshire.gov.uk</a></p> <p>Please forward this information to all who submit requests on behalf of your Council.</p>	To note	<b>All</b>
8.	<b>Dates of future meetings: 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022 and 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023, both commencing at 16:30 hrs. Meetings to be held on-line until further notice.</b>			

## Melksham Local Highways & Footway Improvement Group

Highways Traffic Officer – Mark Stansby

Area Highway Engineer – Andy Cadwallader

### 1. Environmental & Community Implications

1.1. Environmental and community implications were considered by the LHFIG during their deliberations. The funding of projects will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of environmental, social and community wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

### 2. Financial Implications

2.1. All decisions must fall within the Highways funding allocated to Melksham Area Board.

2.2. If funding is allocated in line with LHFIG recommendations outlined in this report, and all relevant 3<sup>rd</sup> party contributions are confirmed, Melksham Area Board will have a remaining Highways funding balance of **£36,114.92**

## Melksham Local Highways & Footway Improvement Group

### **3. Legal Implications**

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

### **4. HR Implications**

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

### **5. Equality and Inclusion Implications**

5.1 The schemes recommended to the Area Board will improve road safety for all users of the highway.

### **6. Safeguarding implications**

6.1 There are no specific Safeguarding implications related to this report.

### **7. Recommendations to Melksham Area Board**

7.1 To close the following Issues:

- 9-20-3 A350 Western Way Crossing
- 9-22-2 Melksham Union Street – request for 20 mph limit
- 9-22-7 Melksham Eastern Way – request for weight limit
- 9-22-9 Bowerhill Dowding Way / Duxford Close – street nameplate
- 9-22-14 Melksham Queensway property no 2 – access protection marking
- Whitley Top Lane / West Hill – Footpath provisions

7.2 To add the following Issues (with funding) to the Priority Schemes List:

- 9-22-8 Steeple Ashton – road markings (£1,170).

7.3 To add the following Issues to the Priority Schemes List without funding:

- 9-22-16 Melksham Without – Parking review various sites

7.4 To allocate funding to Issues already on the Schemes Priority List:

- 9-22-5 Melksham Spa Road – SLOW markings (£500)
- 9-22-16 Berryfield – Direction signs to village hall (£400.95)



Melksham CATG expenditure 2021 / 22 as of 21/07/22

Budget £12,169 + £29,310.10 c/fwd = £41,479.10

Scheme	Estimate	CATG Commitment	Expenditure	Projected Spend
Broughton Gifford Traffic Management Measures	£25,000.00	£12,500.00	£13,357.13 Interim	£25,000.00
Melksham Bus Shelters Lowbourn & Church Lane	£11,150.00	£nil	£10,180.63 Final	£10,180.63
Melksham Old Broughton Road – drop kerbs	£5,500.00	£2,750.00	£2,885.68 Final	£2,885.68
Melksham Sandridge / Maple Footway CAT survey	£450.00 (Ball Park)	£450.00	£208.79 Final	£208.79
Melksham Bath Road / Union St bollards	£1,500.00 (Ball Park)	£750.00	£1,010.11 Final	£1,010.11
A365 Shaw / Dunch Lane Footway improvements	£25,000.00	£nil	£4,922.46 Final	£4,922.46
Steeple Ashton Ground Sockets for SID	£1,000.00 (ball park)	£500.00	£934.00 Final	£934.00
Melksham Heather Avenue Bollard	£500.00 (ball park)	£250.00	£415.08 Final	£415.08
Totals	£70,100.00	£17,200.00	£33,913.88	£45,556.75

Budget	£41,479.10
Projected Spend	£45,556.75
Balance	-£4,077.65
Plus Contributions	£30,225.52
<b>Current Balance</b>	<b>£26,147.87</b>

Contributions

Broughton Gifford TM Measures	£12,500.00	Broughton Gifford Parish Council – invoice upon completion
Melksham Bus Shelters	£10,180.63	Melksham Town Council – invoice issued
Melksham Broughton Rd drop kerbs	£1,442.84	Melksham Town Council – invoice issued
Melksham Bath Road bollards	£505.05	Melksham Town Council – invoiced issued
A365 Shaw / Dunch Lane footway	£4,922.46	Section 106 Fund
Steeple Ashton ground sockets	£467.00	Steeple Ashton Parish Council – invoice issued
Melksham Heather Avenue bollard	£207.54	Melksham Town Council – invoice to be issued
Total	£30,225.52	





Melksham LHFIG expenditure 2022 / 23 as of 21/07/22

Budget £24,338 + £26,147.87 provisional c/fwd = £50,485.87

Scheme	Estimate	LHFIG Commitment	Expenditure	Projected Spend
A365 Shaw / Dunch Lane Footway improvements	£20,077.54	£nil	£0,000.00	£20,077.54
Semington Littlemarsh Road Markings	£500.00 (ball park)	£250.00	£0,000.00	£500.00
Melksham Sandridge Rd / Maple Close Footway	£20,000 (ball park)	£10,000.00 (provisional)	£0,000.00	£20,000.00
Melksham Hazelwood Rd / St Michael's Lighting	£4,000.00 (ball park)	£2,000.00 (provisional)	£0,000.00	£4,000.00
Melksham Westbury View – access protection bar	£50.00	£50.00	£0,000.00	£50.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>£44,627.54</b>	<b>£12,300.00</b>	<b>£0,000.00</b>	<b>£44,627.54</b>

Budget £50,485.87

Projected Spend £44,627.54

Balance £5,858.33

Plus Contributions £32,327.54

**Current Balance £38,185.87**

Contributions

A365 Shaw / Dunch Lane footway	£20,077.54	Section 106 Fund
Semington Littlemarsh markings	£250.00	Semington Parish Council – invoice upon completion
Melksham Sandridge Rd footway	£10,000.00	Melksham Town Council – contribution subject to confirmation
Melksham Hazelwood Rd Lighting	£2,000.00	Melksham Town Council – contribution subject to confirmation
<b>Total</b>	<b>£32,327.54</b>	



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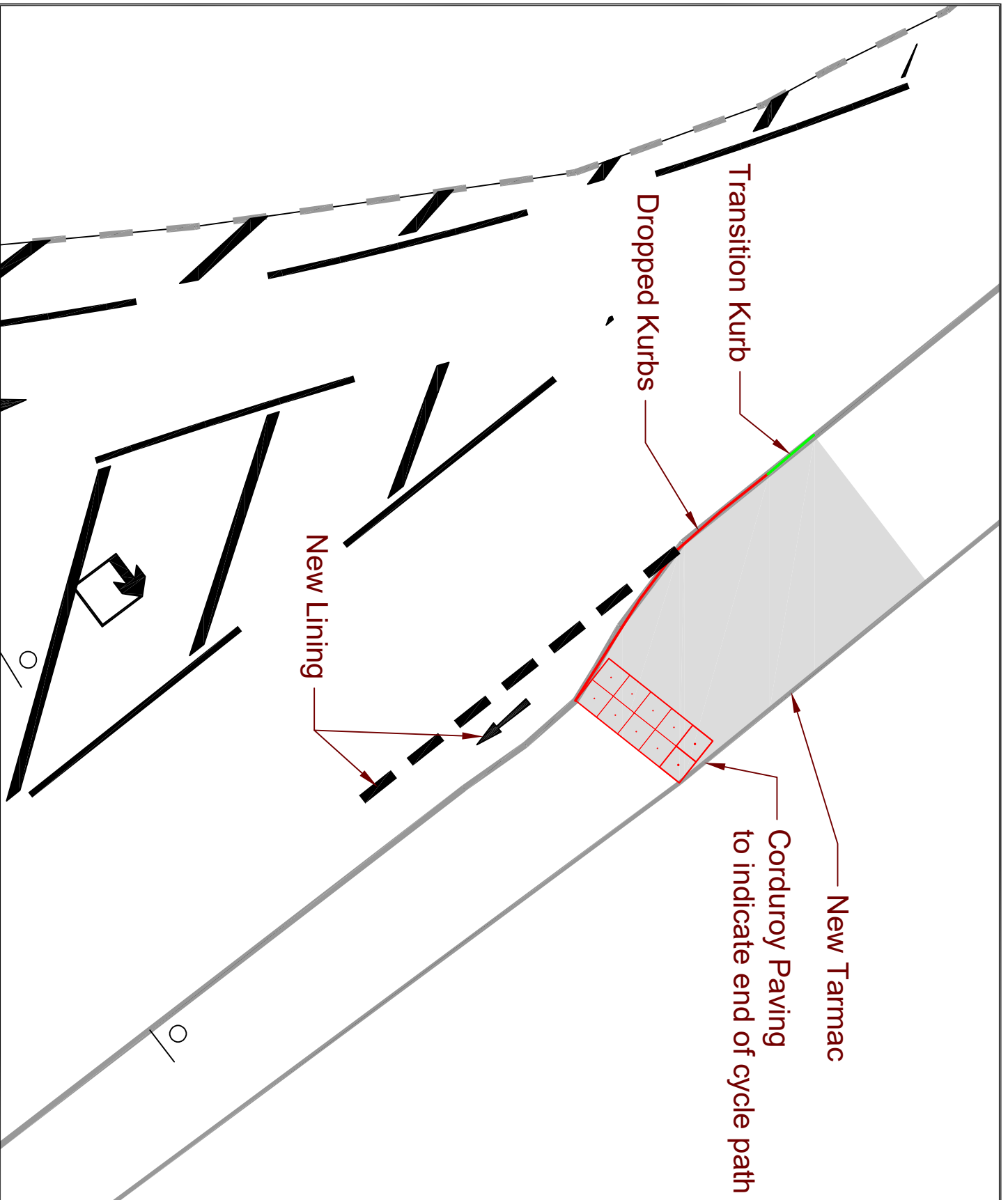
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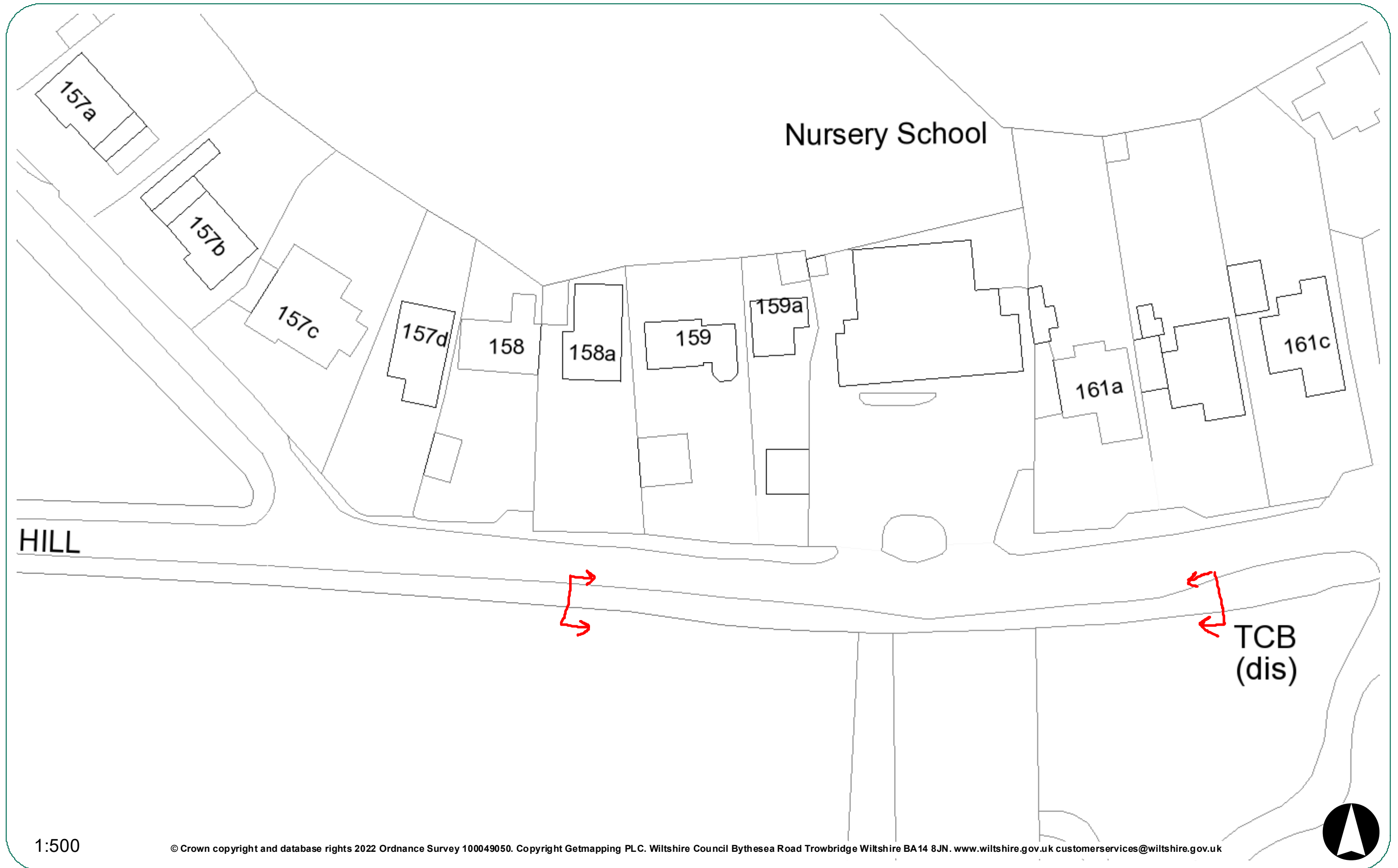
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Designs of Directional Signs to Berryfield Village Hall

Vehicular Signs to be placed at the junction of Telford Drive – 857 x 431mm



Pedestrian Sign (Double-sided, end mounted sign) – 434 x 172mm





Proposed signs to manage deliveries to Snarlton Farm

Sign 1 – adjacent to junction with Snarlton Lane

Dimensions 1276 x 925mm



Sign 2 – Below advance direction sign to Eastern Way Roundabout

Dimensions 1604 x 431mm

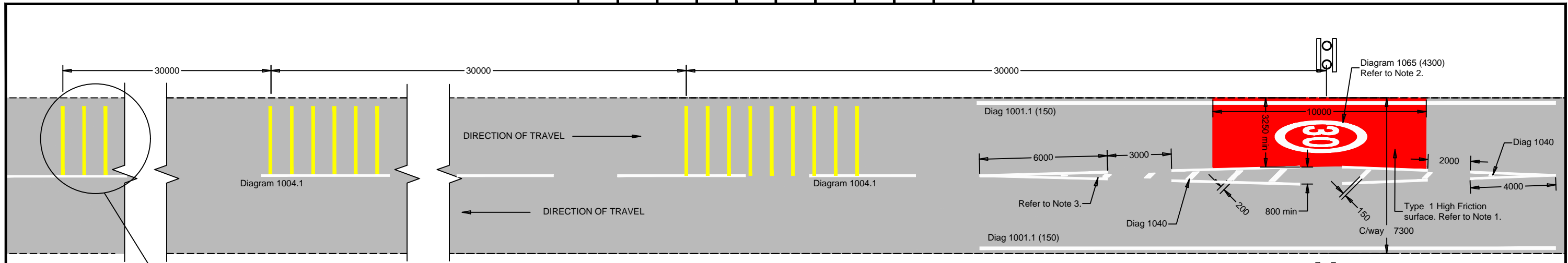


Sign 3 – Below direction sign on Eastern Way Roundabout

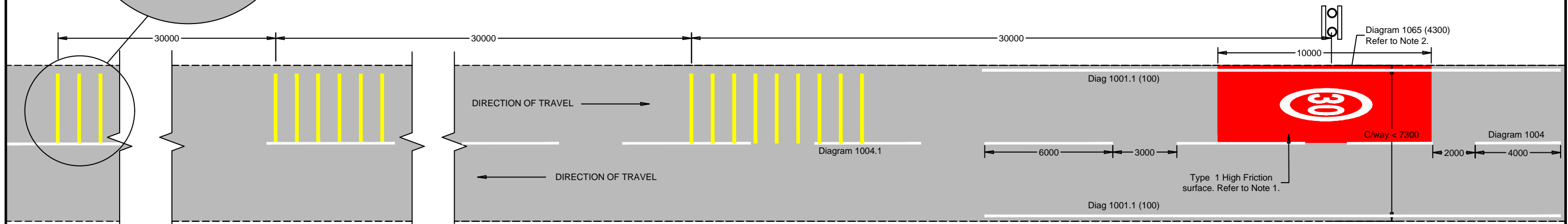
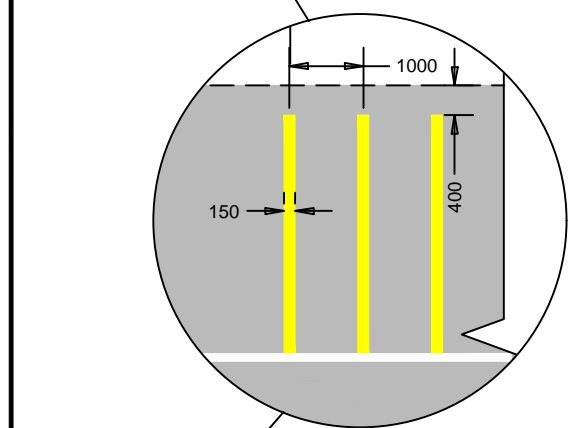
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**GATEWAY TYPE A - ROAD WIDTH 7.30M**



**GATEWAY TYPE B - ROAD WIDTH < 7.30M**

**NOTES**

- High Friction surface to be Type 1 hot applied Rosin Ester (thermoplastic) to Clause MCHW Vol 1 SHW Clause 924. 'Red' 1-3mm calcined bauxite N.S aggregate. Min SRV = 65, PSV 70+. Installers must be HAPAS certified. Installation to RSTA / ADEPT code of practice for High Friction Surfacing 2nd edition 2017
- 30 / 40 Carriageway roundels to diagram 1065 will typically be 4300mm. On higher speed roads i.e. Dual carriageways a 7500mm roundel should be used.
- Refer to Chapter 5 of 'The Traffic Signs Manual - Road Markings 2018' Table 2-7 for taper detail.
- Traffic signs and road markings shall comply with 'The Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016'.
- All road markings shall meet the requirements specified in Chapter 5 of the 'The Traffic Signs Manual' Road Markings 2018'.
- All road markings shall be formed in thermoplastic material complying with BS EN1436: Class A.
- Existing road markings to be removed to suit proposed layout.
- Use of this drawing does not absolve the client from his responsibilities under 'The Health & Safety: The Construction (Design & Management) Regulations 2015'

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## Teresa Strange

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**From:** Teresa Strange  
**Sent:** 21 September 2022 17:06  
**To:** Rogers, Gareth  
**Subject:** Query on funding for recent A350 pedestrian crossing on Western Way

Dear Gareth

Another question that I posed to Mark Stansby that he advised you would be able to help me with please!

Can you please confirm where the funding came from for the recent works to improve the A350 pedestrian/cycle crossing on the A350 Western Way as part of the Active Travel project Melksham to Hilperton please.

The parish council were frustrated to find out that this was being Government funded when there was s106 funding secured for this from the proposed David Wilson development on Semington Road. We enquired at the time and the govt money could not be used elsewhere. This application is now at Reserved Matters.

The parish council are very keen that the developers are funding such improvements, and are disappointed if it means that the funding has to be returned to the developers, could it be used elsewhere?  
Mark was unsure if the government Active Travel money paid for all the works, or whether it is to use some of these s106 funds. Improvements to the crossing was a CATG issue from the parish council, so are very glad that the work has been completed, just wouldn't want the s106 funds to go back to the developers!

### **David Wilson Homes application currently at Reserved Matters – 144 dwellings on Semington Road – Planning Application: PL/2022/02749**

Highways Contribution in s106: the sum of £200,000 towards the upgrading of the double pelican crossing on the A350 east of the A350/Old Semington Road roundabout to a double toucan crossing with associated footway and cycleway improvements, and measures to reduce the attractiveness to pedestrians of the pedestrian route on the western side of the roundabout between Old Semington Road and Melksham

Obviously the bit relating to the desire line across the A350 is still to be done, but I think the question from the parish council is, what is the rest of the £200,000 to be spent on?

With many thanks, Teresa

Teresa Strange  
Clerk

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## Teresa Strange

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**From:** Teresa Strange  
**Sent:** 21 September 2022 15:45  
**To:** Rogers, Gareth  
**Subject:** RE: A365 / B3353 Shaw Traffic Signal Refurbishment - Completion of the outstanding works

Dear Gareth

I met with Mark Stansby yesterday on a number of LHFIG issues, and I asked about the traffic lights outside Shaw School on Corsham Road, and he suggested I contacted you as had worked on the scheme.

I have been asked about the lights, as they used to have shuttering on them as a safety feature so traffic coming from the Gastard direction had to slow down outside the school as drivers could not see if a green light or not. The new lights don't have that, and I wondered if you could just confirm to us the thinking behind that. I see that they are now green arrows for straight on and turn right and perhaps the shuttering was not compatible, but it would be useful for us to know (as queried by residents) why the shuttering disappeared.

I have put photos from Google maps for reference.

With many thanks,

Teresa

Teresa Strange

Clerk

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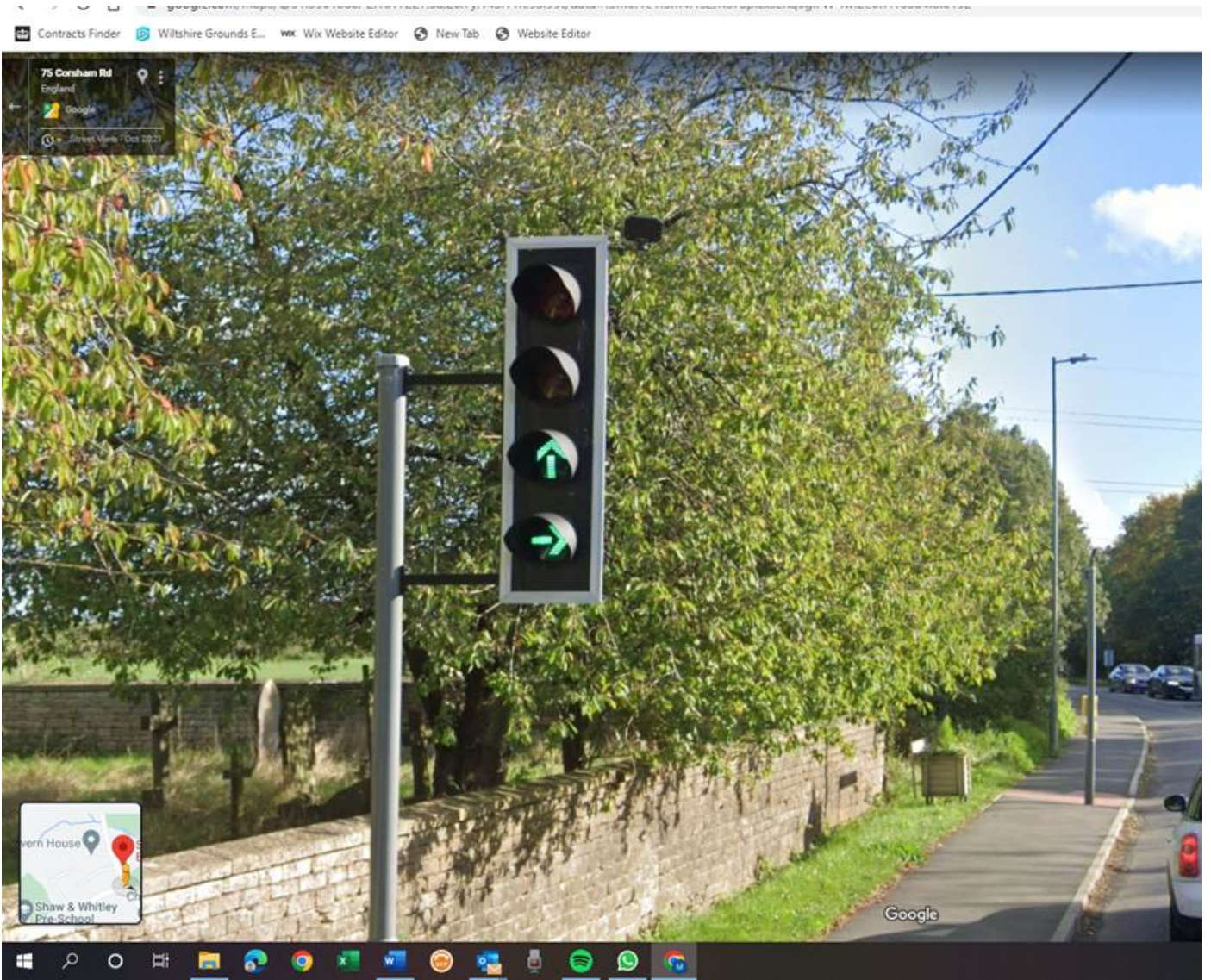
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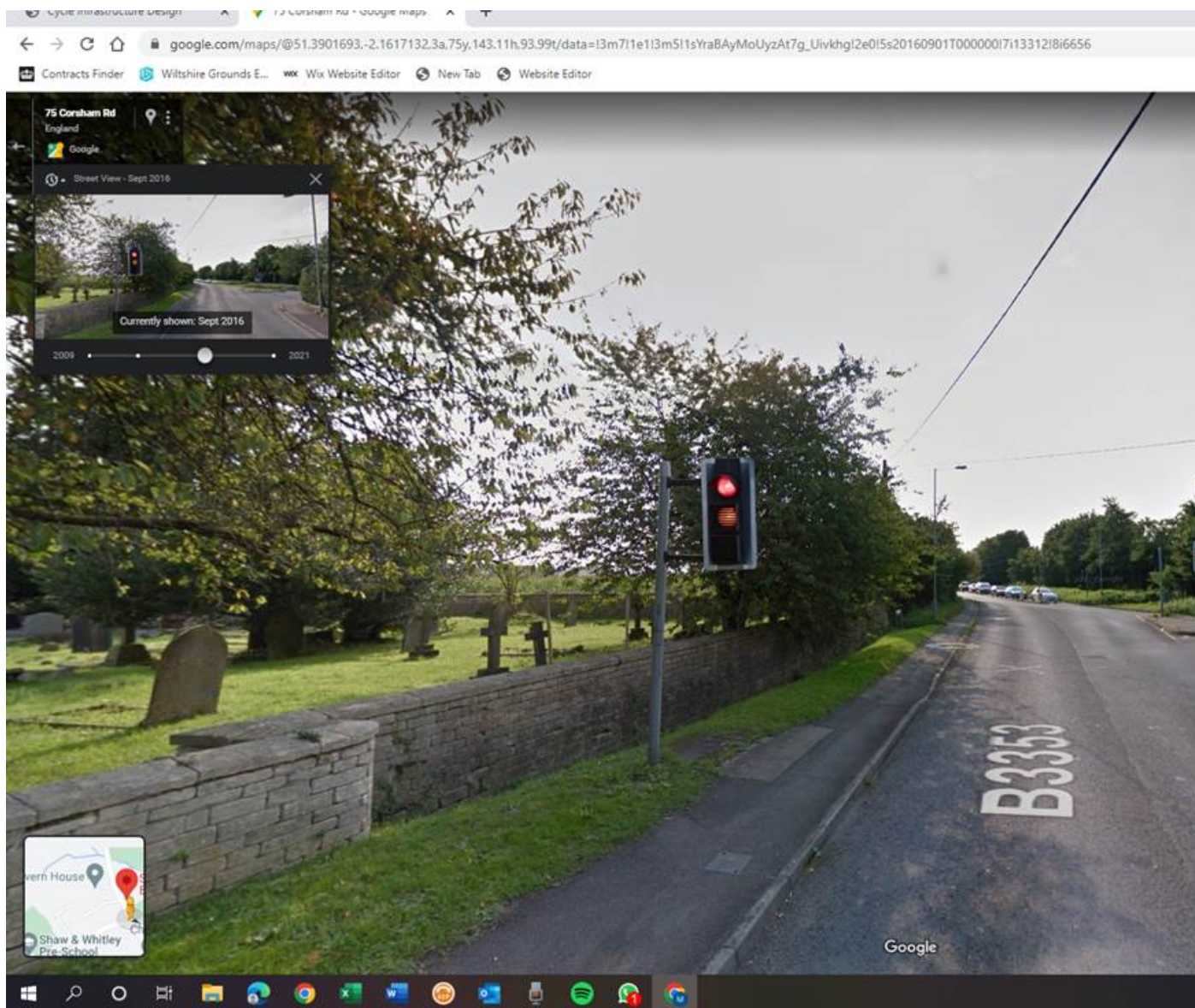
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**From:** Rogers, Gareth <Gareth.Rogers@wiltshire.gov.uk>

**Sent:** 07 July 2020 11:39

**To:** Teresa Strange <clerk@melkshamwithout.co.uk>

**Cc:** Alford, Phil <Phil.Alford@wiltshire.gov.uk>; Stansby, Mark <mark.stansby@wiltshire.gov.uk>

**Subject:** A365 / B3353 Shaw Traffic Signal Refurbishment - Completion of the outstanding works

Teresa

Further to our previous communications on this particular topic, I'm now able to provide some good news to you.

The final elements to complete the scheme have now been programmed for the 28<sup>th</sup> July to 3<sup>rd</sup> August. During this period the A365 and B3353 will be closed between the hours of 09.30 and 15.30.

The resurfacing works will take place for first 3 days of the closure, with the remainder being utilised for the work associated with the road markings and installation of traffic signal detection equipment. As the work spans a weekend, the road will be open during this period. Once the installation has been finalised, there will be a period of adjustment to the traffic signal timings to optimise their efficiency.

In due course, signs advising of the road closure will be erected shortly, and please feel free to communicate locally of the proposed works.

Thank you for and the Parish Council's patience for this to be completed. It isn't the normal methodology of working and has been a consequence of the current circumstances.

Regards

**Gareth Rogers BEng (Hons) FIHE**  
Principal Engineer  
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# Highways Improvement Request Form

## Contact Details

<b>Name:</b>	██████████	<b>Date:</b>	Click here to enter a date.
<b>Address:</b>	████████████████████████████████████████		
<b>Telephone No:</b>	██████████		
<b>Email Address:</b>	████████████████████████████████████████		

## Issue Details

<b>Location of Issue:</b>	Beanacre playpark, A350 Beanacre
<b>Community Area:</b>	Beanacre
<b>Parish or Town Council:</b>	Parish council
<b>Nature of Issue:</b>	
<p>To suggest erecting a children's play area sign on the A350 in Beanacre, near St Barnabas Church. As per RoSPA (<a href="https://www.rospa.com/play-safety/advice/signs">https://www.rospa.com/play-safety/advice/signs</a>), there is a children's play area with a layby where parents park their cars and, as a resident, I frequently see children running out and around the layby with motorists unaware of the play area and children.</p> <p>I believe if a sign was erected, motorists would take greater care over that particular stretch of road, especially as it is near where the speed limit changes from 30 to 40 mph.</p> <p>Please let me know if you need any further information and I hope you consider my suggestion.</p>	
<b>How long has it been an issue?</b>	10+ years
<b>What would you like done to resolve this issue?</b>	
A children's play area sign to be put up for motorists.	
<b>Have you been in touch with your local Wiltshire Councillor? (Yes/No)</b>	No

***This form needs to be completed and e-mailed or sent to your local Town or Parish Council.  
Town and Parish contact details are available via the link below:***

<https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/mgParishCouncilDetails.aspx>

<b>Town or Parish Council Comments:</b> (To be completed by Town or Parish Council only)



## Lorraine McRandle

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 05 September 2022 15:43  
**To:** Lorraine McRandle  
**Subject:** RE: Highways suggestion - Beanacre play park

Hi Lorraine,

Thank you for the quick response.

The park itself is immaculately kept and great signage within the park, it is the road where my concern lies. There is nothing to indicate from the road that children may be running around from cars parked in the layby to the park and the gate is not always closed. I've seen children running out into the layby and very close to the road, where lorries are always driving past at speed, and it concerns me that they won't see a child if they run out or trip.

I just feel if there was a road sign on the A350 itself to indicate there was a children's play park and the potential of children crossing the road, motorists would slow down and take greater care. I know I personally didn't realise there was a park there until I moved to Beanacre, despite having driven that road everyday for over 2 years previously.

Please let me know if you need anything else from me in order to put the suggestion forward.

Many thanks and best wishes

[REDACTED]

On 5 Sept 2022 15:25, Lorraine McRandle <office@melkshamwithout.co.uk> wrote:

Hi [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email requesting safety signage at Beanacre Play Area.

Please be reassured the Parish Council have undertaken safety checks of the play area.

These are undertaken quarterly by our contractor and also RoSPA once a year and neither have picked up the need for any additional safety signage.

However, if you feel there is a need for safety signage, your request can be put before the Highways Committee on 26 September for consideration.

If approved, this will be forwarded to the Local Highway and Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG) which meets 4 times a year for consideration.

The next meeting of LHFIG is not until 27 October and they will make a recommendation and provide the Parish Council with any costings for approval, as we have to contribute 50% of the cost of any highway improvement requests.

Lorraine

Lorraine McRandle

Parish Officer

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 05 September 2022 09:10  
**To:** Lorraine McRandle <[office@melkshamwithout.co.uk](mailto:office@melkshamwithout.co.uk)>  
**Subject:** Highways suggestion - Beanacre play park

Good morning

Please see attached completed highways improvement form with my suggestion on how to make Beanacre a safer place for children.

I hope you consider my suggestion.

Many thanks for your time.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

## Lorraine McRandle

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**From:** Terry Chivers [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 11 August 2022 12:19  
**To:** Teresa Strange; Lorraine McRandle; John Doel; Mary Pile  
**Subject:** Re

Item for next highway and street scene committee

I have been contacted by a lady that uses a mobility scooter to get around the village. She tell me she is unable to use the footway from Eden grove to Corsham Rd as the safety bars at the Corsham Rd end are so close together a scooter cannot exit the footway I told that wheelchair users are having the same problem

Sent from my iPhone



## Lorraine McRandle

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**Subject:** FW: Speed Indicator Devices Melksham Without  
**Attachments:** Melksham Without new SIDS unit.jpg

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**From:** Graham Sellwood <Graham.Sellwood@idverde.co.uk>  
**Sent:** 08 September 2022 15:17  
**To:** Lorraine McRandle <office@melkshamwithout.co.uk>; Hayden Barnard <Hayden.Barnard@idverde.co.uk>  
**Cc:** Marianne Rossi <admin@melkshamwithout.co.uk>  
**Subject:** RE: Speed Indicator Devices Melksham Without

Hello all

Apologies in delay in starting the new schedule.

As per attached photo the new unit is up and working really well this unit really does get offending motorists attention especially those that are significantly over the limit.

Regards

Graham



Graham Sellwood | Contract Supervisor  
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**Sent:** 05 September 2022 14:00  
**To:** Graham Sellwood <[Graham.Sellwood@idverde.co.uk](mailto:Graham.Sellwood@idverde.co.uk)>  
**Cc:** Marianne Rossi <[admin@melkshamwithout.co.uk](mailto:admin@melkshamwithout.co.uk)>  
**Subject:** Speed Indicator Devices Melksham Without



**Subject:** FW: Speeding Concerns and Potential Mitigations

Hi Peter  
Thankyou for your correspondence.

The route for all such requests are for them to come to the parish council first as they require the parish council to support them (as they will have to contribute 50% of the cost of them) and then on to the Wiltshire Council LHFIG Local Highways and Footpath Improvement Group (used to be called CATG until recently Community Area Transport Group) for decision to proceed or not (this is an arm of the Area Board). <https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/highways-community-transport-group>

The next LHFIG meeting is Thursday, and so this is too late to be considered then as the agenda has been published, therefore it will be for the next meeting (they meet quarterly). So, for Melksham Without, that will be on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September at the council's new meeting venue and offices on the first floor at the Campus. Recommendations from that meeting go to the full council meeting for approval (due to spend levels etc) on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October and then if approved feed into the agenda of the next LHFIG meeting (they need an element of time to cost up any requests and a site visit etc) which is on 27<sup>th</sup> October, which then has to be approved at the next Area board meeting which is 7<sup>th</sup> December. So, none of this is quick stuff.

I am replying now, so that you know that the requests are in the system, as I am off for leave for the next week or so. I have copied in Cllr Alan Baines as Chair of the parish council's Highway Committee, and also Wiltshire Councillor Phil Alford as his ward. Several of these I can give you an answer on straight away as its based on what is permitted on the highway etc. Perhaps we could chat on the phone, or even better, we can discuss in person ... would you like to come to the new offices at the Campus facilities? w/c 22<sup>nd</sup> August? Rather than me replying on my return from leave with a long email?

All the best, Teresa

Teresa Strange  
Clerk

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**From:** Peter Richardson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 01 August 2022 09:54  
**To:** Teresa Strange <[clerk@melkshamwithout.co.uk](mailto:clerk@melkshamwithout.co.uk)>  
**Cc:** Lesley Sibbald <[shaw\\_and\\_whitley@aol.co.uk](mailto:shaw_and_whitley@aol.co.uk)>  
**Subject:** Speeding Concerns and Potential Mitigations

Hi Teresa

As you know from our consultation response on the A350 Bypass and discussion at CAWS Committee meetings, CAWS remains very concerned about speeding in Shaw Hill and Whitley and would like to discuss with MWPC, and potentially Wiltshire Council, what mitigations might be possible to improve road safety.

### **30 MPH Signage**

When entering Shaw Hill and Whitley from Melksham, there are no speed limit signs after the traffic lights by Shaw Church. Similarly there are no speed signs when entering Whitley from Purlpit. There are no repeater signs either.

We recognise that from a Highways technical/policy point of view these might not be strictly necessary, but from a road safety point of view we think they are essential. We therefore request that MWPC/WC consider erecting 30 MPH signs on the entrance to both villages and repeater signs wherever possible. We also request the 30 MPH speed limit is painted on the roads at the entrance to the villages as it is at the Gastard end of the Corsham Road in Whitley. We recognise that such actions are not a panacea, but we think reinforcement of the legal speed limit is unlikely to cause a distraction and will make a positive impact on some drivers.

### **20 MPH Zones**

Whilst we experience most speeding events on the Corsham Road and Shaw Hill, we do also witness some events in the village lanes and particularly Top Lane, First Lane and Middle Lane in Whitley. As these roads are also narrow in places, we think they might be suitable for 20 MPH zones. Can you please advise on the criteria for setting a 20 MPH Zone and what the process might be to get that enacted?

### **Electronic Speed Signs**

When these are deployed we note a positive impact with some drivers. Whilst again we recognise that these are not a panacea we think they are a useful tool. We therefore ask MWPC to consider a permanent sign in each village, in Whitley on the Corsham Road, and in Shaw on Shaw Hill.

### **Camera on the Shaw Primary School Zebra Crossing**

We think a camera on the Zebra Crossing would encourage drivers to be more vigilant with pedestrians and that would contribute to traffic calming. We therefore ask MWPC to consider installing such a piece of equipment.

### **Other Traffic Calming Measures**

We would welcome a discussion with MWPC on other additional calming measures that might be appropriate. For example we are aware of schemes that narrow the road in places but we are not informed on how successful such installations are.

### **Traffic Surveys**

We note that Atworth Parish Council are organising a traffic census. Do MWPC have any plans for something similar in Shaw and Whitley? Also will you be able to obtain a copy of the Atworth data as the data for traffic travelling towards Shaw is likely to be very representative for Shaw.

### **SpeedWatch**

Rest assured we will continue to deploy our teams as soon as training for new volunteers is complete.



Kind Regards

Peter  
CAWS Chair





## Lorraine McRandle

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**Subject:** FW: SIDs

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**Cc:** [REDACTED] >; Lesley Sibbald <[shaw\\_and\\_whitley@aol.co.uk](mailto:shaw_and_whitley@aol.co.uk)>  
**Subject:** SIDs

Hello Teresa and Councillor Baines

Thank you again for talking me through some of the road safety/speeding issues when we met on 23/08/2022.

We understand Wiltshire Councils policy on SIDs. Thank you for explaining it to me and I have also read Wiltshire Highways Maintenance Policies, Appendix 4, Appendix B since. The policy is very clear.

From our local perspective we are not 100% convinced regarding the cited research and we note:

1. Somerset Council policy states that "Research has examined if VASs still have a positive effect on driver behaviour after one year of installation. It was found the signs still maintained their positive effects".
2. TRL Report TRL548 concludes that "There is no evidence that in time, drivers become less responsive to the [SID] signs, even over three years".
3. TRL Report PPR 314 was very specific to traffic conditions in London and in any event states that "Each site is different, and so expert judgement should inform how regularly signs are replaced".

We recognise that MWPC may be constrained by Wiltshire Council policy, but we think it would be helpful if the above could be fed back to WC and we think there is a case for some local judgement.

I hope this is helpful.

Regards

Peter

Peter Richardson  
CAWS Chair



## Lorraine McRandle

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**From:** M4 to Dorset Coast Connectivity Study  
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**Sent:** 12 September 2022 09:31  
**To:** Teresa Strange  
**Cc:** Lorraine McRandle  
**Subject:** RE: Preferred strategic routes

Good afternoon,

Thank you for contacting us with your query about our M4 to Dorset Coast Study.

The study team have completed several briefings and workshops with stakeholders throughout the region, providing context and outlining our approach to the study. This includes detail on a shortlist of corridors and potential interventions, that further technical and modelling work will take place on, to highlight potential investment solutions.

The study is due to complete in late 2022 and the report published soon after completion. The initial evidence on existing and future route performance was not intended for public circulation and is what has helped inform discussion, agree the routes, options, and interventions to be considered.

The next newsletter is planned for distribution in October, and I shall ensure you get a copy to keep you updated.

Please let us know if you have further queries.

Many thanks

**Felicity Joyce.**

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**Subject:** Preferred strategic routes

Dear National Highways

Are you able to provide us with an update on your M4 to Dorset Coast Connectivity Study please.

Your document attached anticipated a "preferred strategic route" to be identified in Summer 2022 and we wondered what progress had been made, and/or where to look for this update.

As a large parish on the route of the A350 we are anticipating the report with interest.

With many thanks,

Teresa Strange

Clerk

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## Lorraine McRandle

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**From:** Mark Harris  
**Sent:** 06 September 2022 11:03  
**To:** Richard Wood; Alan Baines; John Glover; David Pafford; Terrence Chivers; Mary Pile  
**Cc:** Teresa Strange; Lorraine McRandle; Marianne Rossi  
**Subject:** Update on the A350 Melksham Bypass Project  
**Attachments:** Q1 - A350 Melksham Bypass.pdf; M4 to Dorset Coast Newsletter Web Final.pdf

Dear Planning Committee members and MWPC Officers,

Further to the subject being raised (by me) at last night's Planning Committee meeting this is a reply from the Department for Transport responding to a Freedom of Information request by a Bowerhill resident:-

*"National Highways' M4-Dorset Coast study is considering strategic road connectivity from the M4 (between the M5 and the A34) and the Dorset Coast. It is assessing whether an alternative corridor would provide a better solution to connectivity than the A36/ A46 corridor which is the current Strategic Road Network route. There are a number of potential alternative corridors that are being assessed, including the A350. If shown to perform better than the existing A36/ A46 corridor, the study may recommend the possible adoption of one or more alternative strategic corridors and where future investment may be needed on them. **The study is ongoing and is now expected to report in early 2023.** Further information is provided in the attached newsletter from earlier in 2022".*

The newsletter referred to is the one which says "the study is due to complete in late 2022" - see attached.

Also attached is Wiltshire Council's costing document which confirms they will not be submitting their Outline Business Case until March 2023.

"OBC submission delayed to March 2023 to enable further public consultation, preparation of Carbon Management Plan **and consideration of National Highways M4 to Dorset Coast Connectivity study.**"

The total cost of the scheme, which was £135 million, is now £238 million (an increase of 76%), with a completion date of 2028.

Cllr. Mark Harris  
MJNHP Bypass Task Group





**Large Local Majors & Major Road Network Schemes - Pre Programme Entry Monitoring Return 2022/23**

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**Part 1 SCHEME INFORMATION**

Lead Local Authority:

Scheme Name:

Scheme Description:

**Part 2 STATUS OF SCHEME**

OBC in development

	Total Scheme Cost (Note 1) £	DfT Contribution (Note 2) £
Current Estimate of Total Scheme Cost	£238,019,996	£201,360,500

NOTES  
(1) The total cost of the scheme including local authority and any third party contributions  
(2) The estimated DfT contribution over the duration of the scheme.

**Part 3 PROGRESS AGAINST MILESTONES**

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Milestone	Achieved? (Yes or No)	Estimated Date at time of July 2019 Bid (dd-mm-yy)	Current Estimated Date (dd-mm-yy)	Actual Date Achieved (dd-mm-yy)	Comments (including reasons for slippage)
Submission of Strategic Outline Business Case to DfT (Mandatory)	Yes	01-Jul-2019		01-Jul-2019	
Submission of Outline Business Case to DfT (Mandatory)	No	01-Dec-2021	31-Mar-2023		OBC submission delayed to March 2023 to enable further public consultation, preparation of Carbon Management Plan and consideration of National Highways M4 to Dorset Coast Connectivity study.
Planning Application	No		03-Oct-2024		
Planning Decision	No	01-Mar-2022	10-Mar-2025		
Publish CPO and SRO	No		30-May-2025		
Statutory orders confirmed	No		20-Aug-2026		
Tender issue	No	01-Jun-2023	24-Jul-2024		
Submission of Full Business Case to DfT (Mandatory)	No	01-Sep-2023	27-Aug-2026		
Start of Works (Mandatory)	No	01-Mar-2024	07-Nov-2026		
Completion of Works (Mandatory)	No	01-Jun-2028	23-May-2028		
Scheme Brought into Public Use e.g. Opening Date (Mandatory)	No	01-Jun-2028	23-Nov-2028		

**Part 4 CURRENT TOTAL ESTIMATED OUTTURN COSTS**

Annual profiles	Total scheme cost £	DfT Funding (Estimated Bid) £	Local Authorities' Intended Contribution £	Third Party Funding £
Pre-2020/21	£106,084		£106,084	
2020-21	£1,370,850	£1,330,000	£40,850	
2021-22	£895,062	£0	£895,062	
2022-23	£318,000	£0	£318,000	
2023-24	£6,211,251	£5,279,563	£931,688	
2024-25	£6,376,250	£5,419,813	£956,438	
2025-26	£6,516,250	£5,538,813	£977,438	
2026-27	£44,636,250	£37,940,813	£6,695,438	
2027-28	£87,335,000	£74,234,750	£13,100,250	
2028-29	£84,255,000	£71,616,750	£12,638,250	
2029-30				
<b>Total scheme costs</b>	<b>£238,019,997</b>	<b>£201,360,501</b>	<b>£36,659,496</b>	<b>£0</b>

**Comments:**

Public Consultation undertaken on long list of route options in Nov 2020-Jan 2021. Consultation on emerging route undertaken Jun 2021 - Aug 2021. OBC submission delayed to March 2023 to enable consideration of outcome of National Highways M4 to Dorset Coast Connectivity study. Annual profiles revised accordingly but no change in proposed DfT contribution. Third Party contributions to be determined as scheme develops.

**Part 5 CONTACT INFORMATION**

(Please provide details of the main contact in case DfT has any queries about the information in your return)

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