

Report from Calne Area LHFIG Meeting 1st November 2024

The table below provides an update on issues raised by Calne Without Parish Council, which are currently being delivered through the Calne Area Local Highways and Footpaths Improvement Group (LHFIG), following the LHFIG Meeting of 1st November:

Issue reference	Update to Meeting from Officers	Comments from Meeting
3-22-1 A4 Studley Speed Limit	The new speed limits have been implemented although work remains outstanding to install high friction surfacing at the commencement of the 40mph section and road markings are to be painted once this has been done.	Noted. We increased our contribution to £3,750 at the CWPC Meeting of 09Sep24.
3-22-2 Derry Hill / Studley Shared Path	A preliminary design has been completed to enable the scheme to be costed for consideration as a bid for Substantive Highways Schemes Funding. The estimate stands at £71,625.45 and this includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All construction costs • 20% contingency on construction costs • Stage 2 and 3 Road Safety Audit • Street Lighting Assessment • Free Land Dedication legal fees 	Offered £15,000 parish contribution allocation in strategic plan. LHFIG considered three potential Substantive Bids along with Derry Hill Traffic Management scheme and White Hart pedestrian facilities scheme. The meeting chose to support both CWPC schemes and backed both with £5000 each from next year's LHFIG budget. See separate Agenda Item.
3-23-6 A342 Devizes Road	Complete.	Noted. CWPC contribution of £923.56 paid on 16 th September.
3-23-8 Sandy Lane	Work has now been completed and we await the bill from our contractor.	Noted. Village gates, southbound chevron and northbound road narrows sign now installed
3-23-11 Derry Hill Traffic Calming Measures	The estimated cost of the Topo Surveys was £3,950 and the bill for this work is still awaited. Following receipt of the survey results, designs have been completed. The estimate stands at £61,357.94 and this includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All construction costs • 20% contingency on construction costs • Stage 2 and 3 Road Safety Audit 	Offered £20k Parish Council contribution as part of Strategic Plan programme allocation of £25,430 for combined DH & Studley TM schemes. As above, LHFIG chose to support this scheme as one of its two Substantive scheme bids with £5k contribution. Bid does not include Studley TM scheme as, disappointingly, the design work on Studley could not be completed by the bid submission deadline of 12 Dec. LHFIG recommendations go to Area Board on Tuesday 12th Nov. See separate Agenda Item.

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3-23-12 Studley Village 20mph Zone	<p>The speed limit assessment has been completed at a cost of £2,900.</p> <p>The Parish has already seen the report and supports the recommendation to implement a 20mph limit at a cost of £9,000 inclusive of legal fees.</p> <p>The Parish has offered a 50% contribution for this project to be expedited.</p>	<p>LHFIG supported the scheme and agreed to fund 70% of the estimated cost of £9k leaving CWPC to fund only 30% i.e. £2700 (not 50% as considered by Council).</p>
3-23-18 Various Sites – posts & ground sockets for SID deployment.	<p>The Parish confirmed their requirements for 5 ground sockets and 2 posts. The estimated ball park cost is £1,800 inclusive of temporary traffic management.</p> <p>An order has been placed to undertake installation and completion is anticipated by the end of the calendar year.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
3-23-22 Stockley, Broads Green and Heddington Speed Limits.	<p>Highways have been unable to commission a full speed limit assessment in time for this meeting but they have completed a desk top study to provide a better understanding of the likely outcome of a review, at no cost to the LHFIG.</p>	<p>Whilst accepting that a review is unlikely to recommend all of the desired changes, both CWPC and Heddington PC were content for the formal review, for which funding has already been allocated, to go ahead.</p>
3-24-05 A4 and A342 Request for Deer Warning Signs.	<p>An Order has been placed to install four new signs, and allowing for the winter break, installation is anticipated towards the end of January.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
3-23-19 Junction of A4 with A342 Old Derry Hill	<p>Highways has replaced the speed limit terminal signs on approach from the A4 (westbound) at no cost to the LHFIG.</p> <p>Vegetation has been cut back and lining defects reported via the MyWilts App for attention by Local Highways.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
3-24-04 Studley (no 93) – request for measures to protect boundary wall.	<p>The site has been inspected to consider options. Highways do not recommend kerbing as this is not in keeping with the street scene, nor is likely to deter large vehicles from mounting the kerb. A low-cost solution would be to install some marker posts, to highlight the wall, but again this is unlikely to prevent large vehicles from mounting the verge.</p> <p>An alternative solution would be to install a bell bollard, (possibly two?) but these are more often used in urban settings and are likely to be expensive, upwards of £3,000 installed, inclusive of a road closure.</p>	<p>Marker posts already installed by resident.</p>

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3-24-07 Blackland (Crossroads to Stockley Lane)	<p>The DfT has suggested that for the purposes of defining a village suitable for a 30 mph speed limit, there should be 20 plus houses over a length of 600m, which could be shortened to 400m if the density of development is met. In this instance there are 10 properties over a distance of approximately 1100m and so a 30 mph limit would not be appropriate.</p> <p>A recent traffic survey commissioned by the Parish revealed that nearly all vehicles were travelling at less than 40 mph.</p> <p>Warning signs could be considered, perhaps of horse & riders and / or pedestrians but neither were spotted during a recent site visit.</p>	Joint site visit to be arranged with officer.
3-24-11 A4 Junction of Calstone Road – concerns over visibility to the right.	<p>The Parish has suggested the following solutions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal of private hedge under Section 79 of the Highways act. • Re-align the road lanes to enable the give way line to be pulled forward by approximately 0.5m. • Undertake a speed limit review 	<p>Little appetite for S79 notice.</p> <p>Joint site visit to be arranged with officer.</p>
3-24-17 A4 Chilvester Hill – requests for traffic calming measures as a result of new development	<p>The Parish has suggested the following solutions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A prohibition of right turn into the new estate • Traffic Calming measures such as white gates to enhance the 40 mph speedlimit. 	God support for the right turn prohibition. Officers to investigate.
3-24-19 A4 Chilvester Hill bus shelters	<p>The Parish has obtained a quote from “Wiltshire Council’s bus shelter contractor” stated as £10, 486, although it is not clear if this covers temporary traffic management.</p> <p>The Parish has offered a 50% contribution for this project to be expedited.</p>	<p>Officers to further investigate traffic management requirements.</p> <p>Funding from LHFIG now looks unlikely as remaining 24/25 budget has now been almost completely allocation.</p> <p>See separate Agenda Item.</p>

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4th November 2024