



Sustainable Travel Committee meeting 4 February 2025

Agenda item 8 – Local Highways and Footpaths Improvement Group

Written by- the Committee Clerk

The Local Highways and Footpaths Improvement Group (LHFIG) meet at regular intervals to discuss resident's requests for improvements to the town's roads and footpaths.

Active Requests Update

Following on from the most recent LHFIG meeting, the poor weather over the winter has led to delays with improvements awaiting implementation.

New Requests

The Delegated group completed a site visit in early December and supported the following requests as suggested:

1. Steps at 32-34 Budbury Close – installation of a handrail on the shallow steps at the top of the flight. – Delegated group **supports** this request and additionally the use of reflective paint on the top of each step to highlight.
2. Bath Road – reduce speed limit along the northern stretch between Frankleigh House and Ashley Road- WC traffic engineer to ask Police if they would consider supporting the reducing in speed limit from 40 to 30mph. The Delegated Group **supports** this investigation.
3. Signage/traffic calming improvements to minimise speeding along the Winsley Road between Down's View and Wine Street and pedestrian improvements. Residents are particularly concerned for school children crossing in that section. The Wiltshire Council (WC) traffic engineer suggested a pedestrian count survey to understand demand by pedestrians crossing the road. Alternations to signage and calming mitigations are unlikely to be approved.

The pedestrian count survey has been costed at £1000 by the WC traffic engineer and will need to be split 50:50 LHFIG: Town Council.



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Proposal:

The delegated group is seeking approval from the committee to approve the spending of £500 towards the cost of a pedestrian count survey for the stretch of Winsley Road between Down's View and Wine Street.

The following requests are not supported by the Delegated Group at this time:

1. Weight restriction signage for town bridge at the Moulton roundabout – this signage is already in place.
2. Additional double yellow lines on the bend of Christ Church Road. Due to renovations, there have been many vehicles parked up on the bend causing restricted visibility for traffic on the road. The Delegated Group suggests the requester contacts the property owner to discuss the parking of vans. The recent works along Christ Church and Berryfield Road mean revisions at this time are unlikely.
3. Frome Road – removal of parking spaces and part-time waiting restriction. The Delegated Group does not support this request; parking for residents is limited along the Frome Road.
4. Elms Cross Drive – Additional double yellow lines on the corner with Frome Road. The Delegated group suggests the requester approach WC privately to investigate the option to paint white H-bar access protection markings to improve visibility from their driveway.

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Committee Clerk