

Marlborough Town Council



1 February 2022

Dear Councillor

PLANNING COMMITTEE

You are summoned to a meeting of the **Planning Committee** to be held on **Monday, 7 February 2022 at 7.00pm.**

Yours sincerely

Richard Spencer-Williams

Mr Richard Spencer-Williams, PSLCC

Town Clerk

This meeting will be held in the Court Room at the Town Hall according to the latest Government Covid Safety Guidelines, and managed according to the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974(2)e.

There will be twenty places for members of the public to attend. If members of the public wish to attend they should notify the Town Clerk of this by noon on the Friday prior to the meeting. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Organisations and interest groups are asked to send one delegate.

All those in attendance at the meeting will be required to wear a face mask when moving around the Town Hall, unless exempt, or when seated.

If members of the public wish to attend and ask a question they should also notify the Town Clerk of this by noon on the Friday prior to the meeting and provide their question in writing at the same time.

Some members of the public may not be allowed to attend if all the allocated seats are taken.

If members of the public wish to ask a question, but not attend, they can provide the question in writing to the Town Clerk by noon on the day of the meeting, and a written response will be provided.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

In accordance with Standing Order 3(f), members of the public may ask questions of the Planning Committee. The time allocated for this should not exceed 10 minutes and be limited to one question per person unless directed otherwise by the Chairman. A full response may not be possible without further research, and the Chair may direct that a written or oral response be given.

AGENDA

1. **Apologies**
2. **Declaration(s) of Interest**
To receive declarations of interest and consider any requests for dispensation
3. **Chairman's Announcements**
4. **Minutes**
To confirm the minutes of the meeting held 10 January 2022
5. **Action Log Update**
6. **Planning Decision Notices**
To note the Planning Decision Notices issued by Wiltshire Council
7. **Planning Applications**
To consider applications received from Wiltshire Council
8. **Work to Trees**
To consider applications received from Wiltshire Council
9. **Community Area Transport Group**
To consider requests for highways improvements
10. **Traffic Survey**
To note and consider the outcome of a traffic survey at A346, Port Hill
11. **Neighbourhood Plan**
12. **Exclusion of Press and Public**
13. **Works at Marlborough Common**
To consider recent works that have taken place at Marlborough Common

insulting, but also to be deeply inaccurate. The democratic process to fill Councillor vacancies had always been followed and it would be undemocratic not to do so. With a vacancy about to be advertised, he reiterated that if the required number of electors request it then an election would take place: it was therefore for residents, not the Town Council, to control whether this would happen.

352/21 MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held 6 December 2021 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman

353/21 ACTION LOG

Members noted the updated action log and provided verbal updates to individual actions:

7: National Express services: the Chairman thanked the Tourism Officer and Councillor Barrett-Morton for their efforts.

8: High Street crossing petition: Councillor Thomas to put something together in preparation for a meeting.

23: Highways proposals at High Street north of St Peters: Councillor Sheppard met with the Wiltshire Council Highways Engineer. The height of the no-entry sign complies with statutory regulations. Looking into the possibility of a second sign to be sited more prominently.

27: Traffic survey - gain introduction to Atkins: discussed at a meeting with Wiltshire Councillors. Councillor Davies to follow up with the Officer.

354/21 PLANNING DECISION NOTICES

Members noted the planning decision notices that had been issued by Wiltshire Council.

355/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a) PL/2021/11719 – Erection of 24 dwellings (10 affordable and 14 market dwellings) and associated works at former Marlborough Resource Centre, Cherry Orchard, Marlborough for Stone Circle Development Company

Members noted the design features to include parking, EV charger points, a high standard of insulation and heat pump heating systems. It was very good news that 10 of the properties would be retained by Wiltshire Council as social housing.

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application. We note comments about the adjacent footpath and ask the Officer to consider adding a condition to ensure the public footpath MARL30 is temporarily redirected in a safe manner during the development work in the interests of pedestrian safety

b) PL/2021/11024 – The installation of 745 sqm solar array on the roof of swimming pool building at Marlborough College, Bath Road, Marlborough for Mr Kelvin Neale, Marlborough College

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application

- c) **PL/2021/11416** – New external pergolas to rear beer garden and associated works at The Royal Oak, High Street, Marlborough for Greene King
RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application
- d) **PL/2021/11303** – Application for planning permission to deposit soil on land adjacent to new sports hall, outdoor sports pitches and storage building (REF: 20/11579/FUL) at St Johns School, Granham Hill, Marlborough
RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application
- e) **PL/2021/11147** – Internal structural working including installation of two steels and posts, fit new noggings, IX heavy duty metal straps and proprietary brackets at 98 High Street, Marlborough for Mr Andrew Grant
RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application
- f) **PL/2021/11505** – Replacement of windows at 20 High Street, Marlborough for Connells Group
RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application
- g) **PL/2021/11603** – Demolition of existing conservatory and shed and construction of new single storey rear extension at 39 Herd Street, Marlborough for Ms Browning
RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application
- h) **PL/2021/11515** – Demolition of existing conservatory and shed and construction of new single storey rear extension at 39 Herd Street, Marlborough for Ms Browning
RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application
- i) **PL/2021/11456** – Demolition of existing garage with replacement side extension on Western elevation. Single storey rear and side extension on Eastern elevation at 17 River Park, Marlborough for Mr Conor Maxwell
RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application
- j) **PL/2021/11296** – Single storey rear extension at 64 William Merriman Road, Marlborough for Mrs Becky Borthwick
RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application
- k) **PL/2021/11557** – Construction of new flat roof dormer to roof to provide additional bedroom including modifications to existing roof, new rooflights and replacement of existing timber windows to the rear of the property to match newer aluminium framed windows at 31 George Lane, Marlborough for Mr Emile Darroch-Davies
RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application subject to consideration of window design to ensure neighbouring amenity and privacy
- l) **PL/2021/11722** – Infill rear extension and conservatory at 27A The Old Brew House, Kingsbury Street, Marlborough for Mrs Maddie Coles

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application

m) PL/2021/11816 – Single storey side garage extension. Change of materials throughout. Internal alterations incorporating front storm porch at 15 Manton Hollow, Marlborough for Mr and Mrs David Jones

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application

n) PL/2021/10967 – Variation of condition 2 of 18/05772/FUL – amendments to two storey side extension roof design and layout at Crabbes Close, Hyde Lane, Marlborough for Mr & Mrs Emery

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application

o) PL/2021/11302 – Variation of conditions 2 and 6 of 20/11579/FUL (New External courts, landscaping, and 4-court sports hall with changing rooms) at St Johns School, Granham Hill, Marlborough

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application

356/21 WORK TO TREES

Tree works applications for which the comments date had expired, and notification about emergency work to remove trees owned by Wiltshire Council and affected by Ash dieback, were noted.

357/21 PLANNING APPEALS

The outcomes of two planning appeals were noted:

The Coach House, Back Lane (APP/Y3940/D/21/3282149) – an appeal against refusal by Wiltshire Council for a new garage (retrospective) had been allowed by the Inspector

9 Herd Street, Marlborough (APP/Y3940/W/21/3277376) – an appeal against refusal of parking provision for electric vehicle to the front had been dismissed by the Inspector

358/21 BUS CONSULTATION

Members noted responses from the public to an online survey to gather views to submit to the 'Bus Back Better' scheme. The Chairman summarised the three main themes arising:

- To improve services to link up with train services at nearby locations
- A call for services to neighbouring towns to run later in the day
- That fares should be more competitive

Councillor Thomas believed a direct service between Marlborough and Devizes was to be reinstated. Also that Government funding was available to support improvements to bus services and that this would be an agenda item at a Wiltshire Council Group Meeting scheduled for a few days' time. Wiltshire Councillors agreed to ask whether any of the requested improvements were likely to be supported.

ACTION POINT: Cllr Thomas/Cllr Sheppard to find out how much funding would be available for bus service improvements and where it would be spent

359/21 SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE

The Assistant Town Clerk's report was noted. Work was ongoing to arrange the repair of the SID – it was noted that data would not be lost due to the recent breakdown.

360/21 YELLOW LINES

Members noted the Town Clerk's report. Any further requests for yellow lines would need to be fed back to the Town Clerk as soon as possible to be included in the January submission.

361/21 TEMPORARY ROAD AND CYCLE ROUTE CLOSURES

Members noted temporary closures:

TTRO 7847 – A338 (part), Grafton

From its junction with West Grafton Lane to outside property known as The Old Railway Station to enable Openreach to provide a safe zone to access carriageway and associated works.

Alternative route via A338 (unaffected length) – A4 – A346 and vice versa.

This Order would come into operation on 14 February 2022 and the closure would be required between the hours of 09:30-15:30 for one day.

TTRO 7854 – A4361 (part), Winterbourne Bassett and Broad Hinton

From its junction with High Street, Winterbourne Bassett to its junction with Summers Lane, Broad Hinton to enable Wiltshire Council to carry out carriageway resurfacing and replacement of road markings.

Alternative route via A4361 (unaffected length) - Swindon Road - Pipers Way - Marlborough Road - A346 - A4 - A4361 (unaffected length) and vice versa.

This Order would come into operation on 2 March 2022 and the closure would be required for two days.

National Cycle Route 482

Between Barnfield and the River Kennet between 08:00-17:00 from 10 to 14 January to enable pruning and felling of trees due to ash dieback disease.

362/21 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The plan was still under review by an independent Examiner. A Steering Group meeting was scheduled for week commencing 24 January 2022.

The meeting closed at 7:56 pm

	Description	Minute Number	Source	Owner	Status	Meeting or Start Date	Notes
8	To ask the originator of the High Street crossing petition (Mrs Vera Hamblin) for views on the current CATG proposals, and to seek a meeting with a Highways Engineer to clarify the options available, to be reviewed at the next meeting		Planning Committee	Town Clerk	In Progress	31/08/2021	Town Clerk spoke to Mrs Hamblin on 25.10.21. Mrs Hamblin's view was that what was needed was a 'proper' crossing that suitably assisted those in particular with 'vulnerabilities' such as impaired vision or mobility to safely cross the large and busy High Street. A 'soft' crossing scheme as proposed she felt was inadequate for the needs of many of Marlborough residents. On 1.11.21 Cllrs Hall, Thomas, Sheppard, & Town Clerk met WC Highways engineer, Martin Cook to discuss ideas/options. MR undertook to see what scheme could be devised to cross High St near where Waitrose is located. 10.01.22: Cllr Thomas to put something together in preparation for a meeting.
9	Manton Hollow: Town Clerk to arrange a meeting to discuss alternative signs (No Through		Planning Committee	Town Clerk	In Progress	31/08/2021	WC Highways emailed on 1.9.21 clarifying MTC's position; awaiting response. Raised with Highways

	Road) with a Highways Engineer and obtain costs						engineer on the 1.11.21 who undertook to look at the options.
10	To put the Manton 5-point traffic calming scheme forward for a Substantive Highways Grant		Planning Committee	Town Clerk	In Progress	31/08/2021	WC Highways emailed on 1.9.21 with proposal/application requesting advice on feasibility; awaiting response, CATG acknowledge would suit substantive scheme, Scheme needs more work re; costing to prepare for next bid fund.
23	Councillor Sheppard to arrange an onsite meeting with a Highways Engineer to discuss proposals at High Street north of St Peters and report back to the Town Clerk	209/21	Planning Committee	Councillor Sheppard	In Progress	04/10/2021	10.01.22: Cllr Sheppard has met with Martin Cook and the height complies with statutory regulations. Looking into the possibility of a second sign to be sited more prominently. (Advised to go via CATG to secure funding)
24	To investigate whether the SID could be deployed at Poulton Hill	209/21	Planning Committee	Town Clerk	In Progress	04/10/2021	Previously identified locations were advised as unsuitable. Assistant Town Clerk investigating other potential locations and seeking WC Highways advice.- CH has been in contact with Street Lighting at WC on Dec and Week beg 24th January to check suitability of these columns - pending a response.
26	Councillor Sheppard to include pedestrian safety issues at Poulton Hill in his discussions with the Highways Engineer for suggested solutions	209/21	Planning Committee	Councillor Sheppard	In Progress	04/10/2021	29.11.21 Atkins confirmed new posts would be needed at this location as the existing ones are not suitable; these could be installed as part of WC programme of work, but no clear date confirmed (the existing lampposts could have an 'extended life' granted if they are in good repair (3-5yrs).

27	Traffic survey - gain support from Wiltshire Council	213/21	Planning Committee	Town Clerk and Councillor Hall/ Wiltshire Councillors	Not Started	04/10/2021	Pending outcome of Area Board 12.10.21. 15/11/2021: 278/21: Officers have agreed to provide an introduction to Atkins. 10.01.22: discussed at a meeting with Wiltshire Councillors. Cllr. Davies to chase the Officer (Dave Thomas)
44	Check whether digital data could be downloaded from the SID and whether it (or other formats containing technical data) can be provided for the next Planning Committee meeting; also to investigate costs for portable/new SID options plus wider community involvement, and whether police permission would be required.		Planning Committee	Town Clerk	In Progress		Assistant Clerk investigating SID options/quotes, seeking advice from WC Highways; notably smaller /Wi-Fi enabled and solar powered SIDs.(29.11.21).Just before the Christmas break a fault was detected with the SID which was resolved in early Jan. There was therefore a delay to the scheduled rota. The SID has now been deployed in George Lane and will remain in situ for two weeks - the data will be downloaded and shared at the next planning meeting on 21st Feb 2022. Quotes obtained for report at Planning 21st February.

To note the Planning Decision Notices issued by Wiltshire Council for the period 3 to 30 January 2022:

- a) **20/11579/FUL** – St Johns School, Granham Hill, Marlborough
New external courts, landscaping and 4-court sports hall with changing rooms
Decision: Approve with conditions **MTC:** No objection
- b) **PL/2021/10331** – Marlborough Tennis Club, Frees Avenue, Marlborough
New tennis pavilion built into gradient of land
Decision: Approve with conditions **MTC:** No objection
- c) **PL/2021/09351** – Sunnyside, Tin Pit, Marlborough
Rear extension and addition of first floor with change of materials
Decision: Approve with conditions **MTC:** No objection
- d) **PL/2021/10683** – Folly Dale, Barnfield, Marlborough
Demolition of existing single-storey dwelling and erection of replacement two-storey dwelling with detached garage
Decision: Approve with conditions **MTC:** No objection
- e) **PL/2021/10836** – Crooks Yard, Hilliers Yard, Figgins Lane, Marlborough
Use of commercial premises (Use Class E) as new dwelling unit
Decision: Approve with conditions **MTC:** No objection
- f) **PL/2021/10967** – Crabbes Close, Hyde Lane, Marlborough
Variation of condition 2 of 18/05772/FUL – amendments to two storey side extension roof design and layout
Decision: Approve with conditions **MTC:** No objection
- g) **PL/2021/10968** – Hightown, Cross Lane, Marlborough
The erection of a detached residential property on land at the junction between Cross Lane and Back Lane, Marlborough, in the garden of “High Town”
Decision: Refuse **MTC:** Objects on the grounds of overdevelopment of the site; the lack of a full tree survey; contravention of Core Policy 51 and Core Policy 57; the lack of supporting/clear documents and contravention of the policy designating an Area of Special Quality in the emerging Marlborough Area Neighbourhood Plan
Reasons for refusal: (1) The proposed dwelling would result in a cramped form of development that fails to enhance the distinctiveness of the Area of Special Quality. It would not relate positively to the existing pattern of development, and does not demonstrate that it would provide for the retention of trees and hedges or that it would respond positively to the existing townscape in terms of building layouts, built form, height, mass, scale, building line, plot size and elevational design. As such the development would be contrary to Core Policy 57 as well as emerging policy MARL10 of the Marlborough Neighbourhood Plan. (2) In the absence of a detailed daylight impact assessment to demonstrate an acceptable impact on neighbouring amenity at Cross Patch in terms of light loss, the proposal is contrary to Wiltshire Core Strategy Core Policy 57

- h) **PL/2021/11024** – Swimming Pool Building, Marlborough College, Bath Road, Marlborough
The installation of 745 sqm solar array on the roof of swimming pool building at Marlborough College
Decision: Approve with conditions **MTC:** No objection
- i) **PL/2021/11379** – 6 High Street, Manton
T1 – Ash tree – reduce the crown by 2.5m. T2 – Willow tree – fell.
Decision: No objection **MTC:** No objection
- j) **PL/2021/11456** – 17 River Park, Marlborough
Demolition of existing garage with replacement side extension on Western elevation. Single storey rear and side extension on Eastern elevation
Decision: Approve with conditions **MTC:** No objection
- k) **PL/2021/11557** – 31 George Lane, Marlborough
Construction of new flat roof dormer to roof to provide additional bedroom including modifications to existing roof, new rooflights and replacement of existing timber windows to the rear of the property to match newer aluminium framed windows
Decision: Approve with conditions **MTC:** No objection subject to consideration of window design to ensure neighbouring amenity and privacy
- l) **PL/2021/10922** – Brown Sherry, The Common, Marlborough
Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of PL/2021/04196 – alterations and extension to existing outbuildings to provide improved ancillary accommodation; alteration to site access
Decision: Approve with conditions **MTC:** No objection
- m) **PL/2021/10231** – South View, Cold Harbour Lane, Marlborough
Proposed side extension
Decision: Approve with conditions **MTC:** No objection

ITEM 7

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Councillors and members of the public should contact the Town Clerk by midday, Monday, 7 February if they feel any of the following applications need full discussion at the meeting.

To consider the following Planning Applications received from Wiltshire Council:

- a) [PL/2021/11910](#) – Householder Planning Permission
Demolition of the existing single storey extension and construction of a two-storey extension, alternation to internal layout and dwelling access at Peppercorn Cottage, 1 High Street, Manton for Mr T Barnes
- b) [PL/2021/11931](#) – Full Planning Permission
Change of use of ground floor from Restaurant (A3/Class E Use) to Residential at 2 London Road, Marlborough for Mr Stephen Moran

- c) [PL/2022/00548](#) – Full Planning Permission
Construction of garage/workshop at 13B London Road, Marlborough for Mr John Black
- d) [PL/2022/00221](#) – Householder Planning Permission
Proposals for a first floor extension and single storey rear, front and side extension to the house at 9 River Park, Marlborough for Mr Keith Trenter
- e) [PL/2022/00275](#) – Householder Planning Permission
Proposed two storey side extension, single storey infill extension to the front elevation and formation of new dormer at 29 Edwards Meadow, Marlborough for Mr and Mrs Granger
- f) [PL/2022/00319](#) – Householder Planning Permission
Single storey front extension with open porch at Bexton Lodge, Rawlingswell Lane, Marlborough for Mr A Hunter
- g) [PL/2022/00442](#) – Householder Planning Permission
Proposed first floor rear and side extension and associated alteration works at Due West, Leaze Road, Marlborough for Guy Bevan
- h) [PL/2022/00620](#) – Householder Planning Permission
Construction of new porch at 2 High Street, Manton for Mike Brown
- i) [PL/2022/00722](#) – Listed Building Consent (Alt/Ext)
Construction of new porch at 2 High Street, Manton for Mike Brown
- j) [PL/2022/00533](#) – Full Planning Permission
Erection of new secure sports equipment store adjacent to the college all-weather sports pitches at Marlborough College, Bath Road, Marlborough for Mr Philip Eley

ITEM 8

WORK TO TREES

To consider the following application received from Wiltshire Council:

[PL/2022/00615](#) – Notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area
Oak tree – overall reduction by 20% and shape at 64 High Street, Manton for Mrs Carolyn Ridley

ITEM 9

COMMUNITY AREA TRANSPORT GROUP

To consider whether to support two Highways Improvement Requests to be submitted to the Wiltshire Council Community Area Transport Group (CATG).

1: Grit Bin at Ducks Meadow

To consider a request for a second grit bin to be installed at Ducks Meadow.

2: Van Diemens Footpath (MARL28)

The request to widen and improve this footpath was considered by the Planning Committee on 21 September 2020 where it was ***“RESOLVED (Min. No. 194/20): that if costs allow, Marlborough Town Council supports the request for an application to CATG/Area Board for funding to widen and improve the public footpath between Van Diemens Close and George Lane (MARL28)”***.

The request is re-presented to the Planning Committee at the request of the CATG (re: CATG minutes 9 January 2021).

Both forms are attached in the Appendix.

Recommendation

Members are asked to consider whether to support the requests being submitted to CATG.

ITEM 10

PORT HILL

Purpose

To note the results of a Wiltshire Council traffic survey conducted at A346 Port Hill, Marlborough and consider next steps.

Background

On 16 November 2020 (***Min.No. 285/20***) Members noted the Town Clerk’s report about follow-up to a petition for a safer pedestrian crossing provision at the top of Port Hill on the A346 opposite The Common and the advice that a pedestrian count should be undertaken before submitting a Highways Improvement Request to the Community Area Transport Group (CATG).

At the time Wiltshire Council confirmed that it would not conduct any surveys during the Coronavirus lockdowns as the results would not be representative of the ‘real’ traffic flow. As well as pedestrian numbers, data on traffic flow would also be required to aid the decision about a pedestrian crossing.

A traffic survey took place in January 2022 and the results are shown below.



The traffic survey will record 85th percentile speed for each vehicle and this will be used to determine if the site enters the thresholds for intervention and detailed as follows;

Speed Limit (MPH)	No further action (85%ile)	Considered for Community Speed Watch (85%ile)	Police Enforcement (85%ile)
20mph	20 mph to 24 mph	24.1 mph to 38.9 mph	Over 39 mph
30mph	30 mph to 35 mph	35.1 mph to 41.9 mph	Over 42 mph
40mph	40 mph to 46 mph	46.1 mph to 49.9 mph	Over 50 mph

Advice from Wiltshire Council Highways is that the results of the survey demonstrate that the A346 Port Hill in Marlborough requires 'Police Enforcement'.

Recommendation

Members are asked to note the results of the traffic survey and consider next steps.

ITEM 11 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

To receive a verbal update from members of the Marlborough Area Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.

ITEM 12 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

To consider whether, under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following item of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to brief the Council about works on the Common.

CONFIDENTIAL

1: Ducks Meadow – New Grit Bin

Highways Improvement Request Form**Contact Details**

Name:	Rachel Hilliar	Date:	14/01/2022
Address:	ADDRESS REDACTED		
Telephone No:	REDACTED		
Email Address:	REDACTED		

Issue Details

Location of Issue:	Ducks Meadow
Community Area:	Marlborough
Parish or Town Council:	Marlborough
Nature of Issue: lack of grit boxes	
<p>As a new resident to the area we are disappointed to find only one small grit box at the top of Ducks meadow.</p> <p>The road is on a very steep incline and splits two ways.</p> <p>The road includes the local school and over 30 houses with many elderly residents.</p> <p>One small box at the top of the road is not sufficient to cater for the whole road.</p> <p>The road does not get much sun light and is therefore treacherous when icy.</p>	
How long has it been an issue?	
What would you like done to resolve this issue?	
<p>Another grit box in Ducks meadow to enable us to make sure the pavements are safe for residents and families attending the local school</p>	
Have you been in touch with your local Wiltshire Councillor? (Yes/No)	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/mqParishCouncilDetails.aspx>

Town or Parish Council Comments: (To be completed by Town or Parish Council only)
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2: Van Diemens Footpath

Highways Improvement Request Form

Ref. 8-21-5

Contact Details

Name:	Anne Schwodler	Date:	08/09/2020
Address:	Marlborough St Mary's CE Primary School, Ducks Meadow, Marlborough		
Telephone No:	01672 513101		
Email Address:	head@marlboroughstmarys.wilts.sch.uk		

Issue Details

Location of Issue:	Between Van Diemens Close and George Lane
Community Area:	Marlborough
Parish or Town Council:	Marlborough
Nature of Issue: (Max 600 characters)	
<p>The public footpath between Van Diemens Close and George Lane is one of two entrances to the school. It is a pedestrian only entrance and is used by many families who live on that side of the town. The path is extremely narrow and overgrown. The poor condition and narrowness of the pathway make it very difficult for parents with pushchairs to access the school. The school gates cannot be opened until the end of the day when the children are back in their classrooms and parents, many with pre-school age children waiting for the school at the end of the day can be queuing onto George Lane.</p>	
How long has it been an issue?	Since the school was opened in September 2017
What would you like done to resolve this issue? (Max 600 characters)	
<p>I would like the path to be widened and improved. This will be particularly important when the new pedestrian crossing is in place as more children and families will then be accessing this entrance to the school. At the moment, with problems around Covid-19, it is almost impossible to socially distance on this path and we have had to restrict access to certain year groups. This has compounded problems on Ducks Meadow.</p>	
Have you been in touch with your local Wiltshire Councillor? (Yes/No)	Yes

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>

Town or Parish Council Comments: (To be completed by Town or Parish Council only - Max 600 characters)
<p>This request was supported by Marlborough Town Council (under minute 194/20). The resolution was: RESOLVED: that if costs allow, Marlborough Town Council supports the request for an application to CATG/Area Board for funding to widen and improve the public footpath between Van Diemens Close and George Lane (MARL28)</p>

Wiltshire Council