**Town & Parish Council Reference Group 12th October 2022**

**Casualty Reduction Schemes**

We are committed to making our roads as safe as possible through Engineering, Education and Enforcement and continue to fund a successful Road Safety Education program while working in partnership with the Police to focus enforcement at appropriate sites.  Whilst we would like to accommodate requests for engineering measures our resources are limited and therefore, as we are wholly data-led, so we have to prioritise our work in the most cost-effective way. Engineering measures do take a significant portion of available funding and therefore need to be focused on locations with a poor collision rate, where there are patterns of activities or behaviours that can be attributed to the collisions, and where viable solutions can be identified that can make an impact.

**Average Speed Cameras**

The Average Speed Camera Project within Warwickshire is a pilot scheme to establish the effectiveness of reducing Personal Injury Collisions so, currently we are not expanding the use of them other than the pilot routes at this time.

The pilot routes were chosen based upon an analysis of routes within Warwickshire with a criteria to meet in order to be shortlisted for enforcement measures. This criteria is loosely based on the below factors:

* Personal Injury Collisions - Causation of collision recorded as a result of excessive vehicle speed, along with severity rates per mile.
* Speed Data - Shown in speed data that there is a demonstratable speed problem for the 85th percentile of traffic.
* Location of Collisions - The collision data for a baseline period will highlight towards a route treatment as opposed to a cluster site location.
* Engineering Measures - Whether existing engineering measures have previously been exhausted or whether there are further engineering measures to be explored, prior to enforcement.
* Benefit : Cost Ratio - The proposed scheme should provide value for funding investment and compared with other projects to prioritise funding to locations in which maximum casualty reduction is achieved.
* Police Support - Discussion with Police to establish whether existing enforcement takes place and whether they are supportive of Average Speed Cameras to treat the proposed route.

**Major Schemes**

We have been successful in bidding for additional funding through the Capital Investment Funding for significant sized schemes, but due to the current financial situation this process is currently on hold for new applications. This funding has allowed for the following projects to be progressed: Average Speed Cameras, and two junction improvement schemes, where roundabouts are being introduced at those junctions where there has been a significant number of collisions resulting in either injury or death.

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