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## Performance Reward Grant Scheme

### APPLICATION FORM

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Area Board	<i>Corsham Area Board</i>	
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Name of initiative	<i>C151 Footpath</i>	
Brief Description of Initiative	<i>To extend the pavement along the C151 from Silver Street to the Recreation Ground entrance in order to provide a safe access to the Recreation Ground and the doctor's surgery in The Firs and Colerne Primary School and to allow direct pedestrian route from the Firs to the Primary School. At present families, some with prams and buggies must walk in the road with heavy traffic passing at 50mph. With the redevelopment of the Recreation Ground from funding through the Playbuilder Initiative it is envisage that the pedestrian traffic will increase considerably along the C151 as this is the route families will take from Northwood, Pinewood and Thickwood estates to access the Ground.</i>	
Please put a cross against the ambition(s) that this initiative will support	Building resilient communities	x
	Improving affordable housing	
	Lives not services	x
	Supporting economic growth	
	Safer communities	x
	Protecting the environment	x
	Action for Wiltshire – combating the recession	
Amount of funding sought	<i>£10,500</i>	
What will this money be spent on? (please show split between capital and revenue. For capital expenditure guidance – see Appendix 1 in the Bid Pack)	<i>To complete the final and much needed link in the Village network along a road where there have already been pedestrian casualties. All expenditure will be Capital expenditure. Estimates in 2007 was: £15,000 2009 costs are: £17,500</i>	

<p>Please describe how your initiative will support the ambition(s) indicated above, and summarise the action that will be taken</p>	<p><i>The new footpath would be located on an existing stretch of verge along the C151 from Silver Street to Green Lane at the western end of the village.</i></p> <p><i>It would provide a safe route to the school bus pick-up point in Silver Street for children living on the Firs Estate. Children are at present struggling along a grass verge in pitch darkness to catch buses soon after 7.30am.</i></p> <p><i>It would provide a safe access to the Recreation Ground for those wishing to use the facilities which are being upgraded and extended – particularly to the young people living in the eastern end of the village.</i></p> <p><i>The Firs Surgery caters for half the village medical needs and the footpath would provide access to the surgery, reducing the need for the long route taken at the moment which sometimes necessitates the use of a car.</i></p> <p><i>Many people who run (including Army Units) do so on the road – an accident waiting to happen.</i></p>
<p>What makes this initiative a local priority (eg evidence from research and local support)</p>	<p><i>The proposed route of the footpath features in the School Travel Plan for Colerne Primary School – as a safe route to school especially for mothers with buggies. At the moment they have to negotiate a route which is very poor – in places with no footpath, in other places a very narrow footpath. Combined with a reduced speed limit on the C151 this would be a far better, safer option for primary school children, and their parents who wish to leave their cars at home and walk to school.</i></p> <p><i>The C151 is a known rat run from Bath to Chippenham and the M4. Current pedestrian users have to walk in the roadway. Further pedestrian have to cross and re-cross the road when walking in a westerly direction to ensure they face the oncoming traffic.</i></p> <p><i>Elderly parishioners would have a shorter distance to walk to the surgery rather than taking their cars on the 1 mile journey now required.</i></p>
<p>How will you know you have been successful?</p>	<p><i>Fewer cars on the road through the village at school start and finish times and during surgery hours.</i></p> <p><i>Increased number of people using this route on foot.</i></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How will you measure the impact? (may have more than one measure)</li> </ul>	<p><i>Public survey through Parish Magazine which goes to every household in the Parish.</i></p> <p><i>Questionnaires available at the Primary School and Firs Surgery</i></p> <p><i>Monitoring users of Recreation Ground facilities.</i></p> <p><i>Monitor use of footpath.</i></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is your improvement target (s), and when do you expect to achieve this/these?</li> </ul>	<p><i>Increase of pedestrian use over a six month period.</i></p> <p><i>To be completed March 2010 in conjunction with the launch of the refurbished Recreation Ground.</i></p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How will you ensure that the improvement continues after the end of the initiative?</li> </ul>	<p><i>The footpath would be maintained by Wiltshire Council Highways.</i></p>
<p>Who will benefit from this initiative?</p>	<p><i>All of Colernes' community will benefit plus visitors to the Parish. In particular wheelchair users, mothers with prams and buggies who walk this route daily.</i></p>
<p>Confirm no unfunded commitments from this initiative</p>	<p>Please delete the statement that does not apply:  1. I confirm that there will be no unfunded financial commitments arising from this initiative,</p>
<p>What are the key risks to success and how will these be managed?</p>	<p><i>Cost escalation  All works and specifications will be fixed before commencement of any work  Objections from Wiltshire Council Highways although outline agreement given  Confirmation of approval of work from the Highways before commitment to spend</i></p>
<p>Who will manage the initiative</p>	<p><i>Chairman, Rights of Way &amp; Highways Committee, Colerne Parish Council</i></p>

Signed:

Chairman of Area Board

Dated: