# Active Travel Budget Update

## Introduction

At our meeting in June we agreed to work to allocate our annual budget and reserves as follows:

1.  Physical works to promote compliance with the 20mph scheme up to £55,000
2.  Further design work to support application for DfT funds up to £15, 000
3.  Activities, Events and Publicity to promote active travel up to £5,000

## Current progress

At end of September we have spent £384 on further design – a review of the build out work KCC have planned at Stonebridge and £917 on events, the Cycle Fest.

As noted in June progress against capital spend requires KCC to cost out and commit to delivering the two interventions that we have prioritised. We are still waiting for the Active Travel team to cost out the projects

The launch of the next Active Travel bidding round had been expected in September but has now been delayed.

Other projects linked to Active Travel are being funded through grants from SBC – consultation on LCWIP, Town to Parishes report, Cycle Hangars and Bike Hire scheme.

## Next steps

To continue to press KCC for costings. The Chair has recently re-written to the Active Travel team reminding them that we are awaiting costings

The timetable for the next round of Active Travel bidding is unclear currently, but once it is announced is likely to require prompt action. PROPOSAL: That the Committee give the Chair and Vice Chair authority in consultation with the Town Clerk to commission further design work from PJA and further consultancy to support bid development including consultation with residents, as needed. Providing this is kept within the funding envelope identified above.

It is also suggested that the committee start to identify how best to allocate the remaining budget for promotional activities. Possible activities could include walk and cycle to school/work days, guided walking tours of proposed interventions, cycling confidence training, children's training events, promotion of bike hire and hangar schemes, better promotion of speed watch, more bike repair sessions.