

Community Partnership outcome proposal (outline)

Improved road safety on B1078 at Clopton village

Funding requested - £1,100

Objective the project aligns with – ‘Road and Traffic Safety’ – Road user visibility

Proposed Outcomes

- Improved signage at a recognised site of near misses used by majority of Clopton residents
- Reduce traffic speeds past local junction
- Increase visibility of signage to adjust driver behaviours

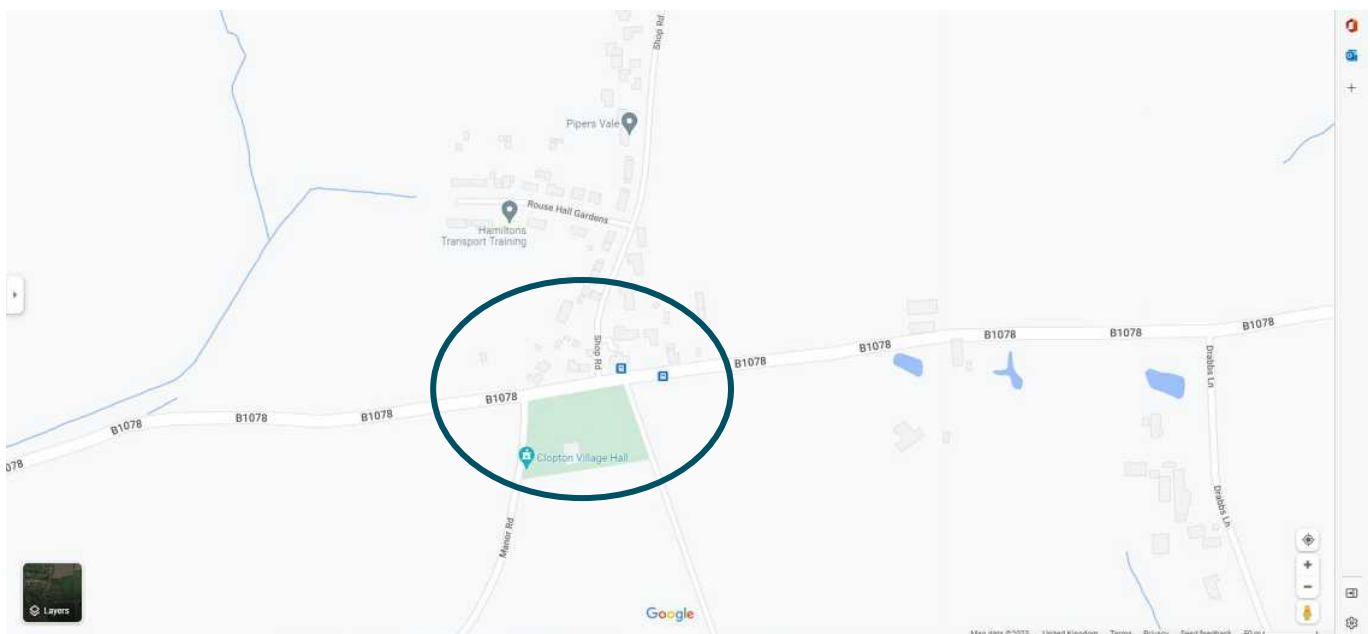
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The project will replace 2 ‘junction ahead’ warning signs with more conspicuous yellow backed signs as well as repainting the 2 SLOW road markings that are on the road beside the signs at the junctions of Shop Road and Manor Road, Clopton.

Shop road provides the only access to the Suffolk highway network for 54 dwellings in the village. Its junction with the B1078 has very limited visibility with heavy reliance on a Traffic Mirror provided by the parish council. Manor road has similar visibility issues and additionally is located at the brow of a hill with many vehicles using the B1078 choosing to overtake at this point. The B1078 is one of two main roads through the Carlford/Fynn Valley villages that is regularly raised as a concern at Road Safety Forums and in other discussions.

A report and case prepared by Clopton Parish Council on the dangers present in this area was sent to Suffolk County Council (SCC) Highways. This was followed up by an On-Site meeting with Paul West Head of Highways and others, resulting in an acknowledgement that improved signage either side of the two junctions in the area was necessary.

SCC have recently provided costings of £3,000 to £3,400 to carry out the necessary work. The funding request of £1,100 will supplement match funding from elsewhere. Works will be carried out by SCC Highways and their contractors and will require minimal maintenance.



Community Partnership outcome proposal (outline)

Provision of seating and garden area for residents to meet and spend time outdoors

Funding requested - £700

Objective the project aligns with – *‘Support individuals wellbeing by strengthening existing community networks’ and ‘Make our natural environment more accessible to local residents’.*

Proposed Outcomes

- Increased usage of Tuddenham St Martins playing field and associated facilities by a wider range of residents
- Expand the range of uses the playing field provides, especially for older residents

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The proposal will see a newly installed space on the playing field consisting of a seating and garden area, designed by a local qualified landscape gardener who is offering services free of charge. Maintenance, building and planting will be carried out by local volunteers (already identified), creating another opportunity for positive relationships to develop within the village around a common goal.

Tuddenham St Martins playing field currently has no provision for residents to meet or interact with the local environment. This creates a risk of creating or increasing peoples social isolation and loneliness. according to East Suffolk Councils Parish Profile, 32% of people in the village are aged 60 and over, which is a high risk group for such mental health concerns. 25% of all properties in the village have only one person living within them, again creating a substantial risk of isolation and loneliness. With concerns of Covid-19 still in local communities, an outdoor space that’s accessible and ‘owned’ by the community would strengthen the existing support network within Tuddenham St Martin.

The funding requested is part funding, with Councillor Hedgley allocating the remainder of the budget via his Enabling Communities Budget. Any potential shortfall would be met by donations from villagers or fundraising events.

This proposal follows previous examples of the Parish Council improving the provision of play equipment for young people on the field last year and the intention to better signpost the field for those new residents who may not be aware of the services available.

Publicity will be provided through the quarterly Grundisburgh and District News that is circulated to every house in the 18 surrounding villages, via village email and on the active village Facebook page. It is anticipated that the project would begin in Spring 2023 and be ready for use by summer 2023. Progress will be monitored weekly by a Parish Councillor.

Community Partnership outcome proposal (outline)

Road Safety education for all through young people and creative process

Funding requested - £2,993 – remainder of Community Partnership allocation for 22/23.

Objective the project aligns with – *“improve road safety education, relating to Quiet Lanes, road user visibility and householder responsibility”*

Proposed Outcomes

- Increased presence of road safety education materials available throughout the Community Partnership area through social media, site based content and other means in a creative way.
- Deliver a road safety project that has a clear legacy – materials to engage all road users in discussion and reflection about their own responsibilities when using the roads.

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The project will see Rock Paper Scissors deliver workshops with classes of students throughout the Community Partnership area in which individual pieces of artwork are created with the support and direction of trained staff. The artwork is then digitised and manipulated to create large scale murals/sign work which are then produced and displayed in a variety of formats.

The artwork would focus on road safety, the different types of uses (as highlighted via Quiet Lanes signage) and the wellbeing benefits of active travel.

The final artwork, having been digitised can then be used in a range of spaces for a variety of purposes. For example;

- Printed as murals on site at individual schools
- As postcards for students to take home and use as a discussion starter with family
- Via social media where reach, particularly in our more urban areas is significant, or via national contacts developed at Brake via the Road Safety Week activities
- At an exhibition at events or local community spaces, reaching the most hard to engage.

Rock Paper Scissors are

Following discussions with the working group around road safety education, it was felt that continuing to work closely with young people would be an effective way of educating them, their families and other local residents. It was felt that enabling young people to use their creativity to create engaging and direct messaging would be preferential to more traditional routes of message sharing, such as leafleting and local newsletters. There is also potential to engage with both High school and Primary students in a collaboration that supports social development as well as creative.

We are also conscious of the precedent set by other successful art/young people projects completed in recent times in the area, including the underpass improvements in Kesgrave and mental health collaboration led by Cllr McCallum and a local young artist.

Final details, including a communications plan will be devised in partnership with the working group, local stakeholders and Rock Paper Scissors to ensure maximum reach. Depending on uptake, any shortfall in funding would be sourced from alternative options. The funding would support one class at each CP school to engage in a workshop.

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