



Denham, Gerrards Cross and The Chalfonts Community Board Funding Report - 2020/21

Date: 06/11/20

Organisation Name	Gerrards Cross Town Council
Project Name	Mill Lane Signage Improvements
Funding Stream	Community Area Priorities
Total Cost of project	£30,000
Amount of Match Funding	£15,000
Amount being applied for	£15,000
Amount suggested	£15,000

Project Summary

Mill Lane bridge is very narrow and has no pedestrian footway with a sharp corner on the upper side of the bridge so drivers coming downhill cannot see oncoming traffic or pedestrians. School children use this bridge to walk to Moreland Drive School which is at the top of Mill Lane.

To show due diligence, the Town Council would like to place speed warning circles on the road in order that the bridge does not come as a surprise to anyone – pre-emptive.

How does the project address local priorities?

By making the bridge safer for all pedestrians crossing the bridge, particularly school children, young families with pushchairs, the elderly and disabled as well as for cyclists.

It will give local residents the confidence to walk/cycle across the bridge as measures have been taken place to reduce the speed of traffic. Gerrards Cross Combined School -This bridge is part of their Walk to School campaign and they have actually put a banner on the bridge to help slow down traffic. Also residents have been complaining about the pedestrian safety for many years.

It is important to have a healthy and safe environment to encourage walking and cycling this project will do this. It is also needed for the local School who promote this route as part of their 'Walk to School' campaign.

How does the project align with the values, objectives and corporate priorities of Buckinghamshire Council?

This scheme provides the opportunity to improve road safety and our environment. Making improvements to walking routes in the local area safeguards adults and children and improves the health and wellbeing of local residents by increasing their confidence to use these walking routes in their local area.

How does the project achieve value for money?

The Town Council are proposing match-funding rather than to be solely funded by the Community Board.

Other options including a footway to be built alongside the bridge and/or installing traffic lights. Both were deemed too costly.

Community Board Coordinator comments

This application has been discussed at the Highways and Infrastructure Working Group on the 3 November 2020, where it was agreed to recommend that this application be approved.

It is recommended that members consider this project for funding noting the above comments.

The applicant will be required to agree to terms and conditions, which include a monitoring agreement, as discussed with the Community Board Coordinator before the fund will be formally awarded.