

APPLICATION FORM

Local Highway Improvement (LHI) Initiative 2022/23

Please ensure you have read through the supporting LHI guidance available online before completing this application form. You must complete all sections, further information may be requested at the next stage of the process.

Please return your completed application to local.projects@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
Deadline for submission - **Thursday 30th September 2021.**

Date	30 September 2021	
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LOCATION OF YOUR PROPOSAL:

Please send a plan showing the location of the proposal.

New Road and Mortlock Street, Melbourn, between the current traffic calming features east of Victoria Way, and the High Street. Plan attached.

OBJECTIVES OF YOUR PROPOSAL

What highway issue or improvement would you like to address?
What solution are you proposing? (e.g. Speed control, new footway, parking restrictions etc).

Traffic calming with supported speed limit reduction along the key east/west conduit road into the village, which connects A505 traffic into a residential area and to the village centre, in line with a community actively seeking to promote and facilitate village-wide active travel.

OBJECTIVES (continued)

Melbourn's growth is overwhelmingly concentrated around three major new developments at Victoria Way, Clover Way and associated roads, and New Road, totalling more than 300 new homes and a new 75-bed care home. The new population includes young families who report a lack of confidence in walking to school due to the speed and volume of vehicle traffic.

Existing traffic calming just east of the Victoria Way junction predates these developments and is now in urgent need of updating, in spite of minor adjustments set out in planning conditions which have proven to be inadequate. Improving road safety at this junction will complement the objective of encouraging more trips on foot into the village centre, schools, and all village amenities.

The proposal would strongly compliment the Melbourn Greenway scheme, concentrated on a north/south axis and potentially introducing a 20MPH limit along the High Street corridor. The LHI proposal area covers the east/west axis along New Road.

The proposal comprises a range of physical features to support a new 20MPH New Road corridor and key junctions. These have been explored with the LHI Officer, School Crossing Patrol Officer and Local Highways Officer, and would be further refined in the detailed application stage.

Please attach any additional information in support of your application e.g. plans, photos or correspondence. (Maximum of 3 pages)

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

County Council LHI funding applied for:	£15,000	Maximum £15,000
	+	
Applicant contribution:	£5,000	Minimum of 10% of total cost
	=	
Total Estimated Project Cost:	£20K-30K	Total of above (see indicative costs)

Please note that you must contribute at least 10% of the total cost of your proposal. These contributions can be revised at the next stage of the process, where highway engineers will work with you to refine your application. You will then be expected to approve the final version of your application for submission to the Member Assessment Panel by the end of December 2021.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Please confirm below that you have already discussed this application with your local County Councillor, and that they are aware of, and support your bid. To find your local County Councillor, please visit our [website](#).

Yes

Please outline how your proposal fulfills the following aims of the LHI Initiative;

PERSISTENT HIGHWAY PROBLEM: (see guidance online - [Click here](#))

How does your proposal aim to address the problem and to what degree will it resolve or improve it?

As the link road from the A505 and the spine road for the most populous part of the village, New Road and Mortlock Street are beset with heavy traffic. The proposal seeks to clearly demarcate a residential zone that favours active travel. Physical interventions will force traffic to slow down upon entering New Road just before the Victoria Way junction and introduce a 20MPH corridor to the High Street junction with Mortlock Street– where it is anticipated that the Melbourn Greenway will propose a 20MPH limit.

ROAD SAFETY: (see guidance online - [Click here](#))

How will your proposal contribute to improving road safety?

New Road and Mortlock Street junctions, particularly at Victoria Way and Clover Way, and Beechwood Avenue and Orchard Road, will be better controlled and protected with new traffic calming and speed limit reductions.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS & BENEFITS: (see guidance online - [Click here](#))

How does your proposal provide community improvement?

The proposal responds directly to widespread community concern around vehicle traffic speed and conflict at junctions. Primary and secondary school headteachers support consideration of a new 20MPH speed limit and other measures to appeal to active travel for access to school. Much informal consultation has taken place via public meetings, the village magazine and fairly constant communication to councillors by the public asking for road safety action in New Road traffic, with special concern from the primary school and parent community. The Parish Council will consult the village on its LHI proposal this autumn.

ADDED VALUE: (see guidance online - [Click here](#))

Are there any additional benefits to your proposal?

The proposal will support and enhance the Melbourn Greenway Scheme, allowing a village-wide culture change favouring active travel. Melbourn seeks to be an Active Travel Village.

Thank you for taking the time to submit your proposal.