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Issue My daughter was recently knocked over at the pedestrian crossing at the bottom of Tetbury Hill outside the Primary School after a motorist failed to stop at the red traffic light. After making an entry in the school newsletter and a Facebook post on the Make Malmesbury Even Better page urging caution to both pedestrians and motorists I was shocked at how frequently there are near misses at this crossing where vehicles are driving through the red light and for how long this has been an issue. The proximity of the

crossing to the roundabout means that motorists are focused on rights of way and often dont see the lights. In addition cars coming down Tetbury Hill towards town are often going too fast.

Issue Location	Malmesbury
Street / Location	Pedestrian crossing at the bottom of Tetbury Hill outside the Primary School
Electoral Division	
Issue Duration	Since the crossing was installed.
Who is Affected	Parents and children travelling to and from school
What has been done so far	<p>I attended the Planning and Environment Committee Meeting on 8th December 2015 with other concerned parents and school Governors after consultation with Councillor Roger Budgen. We presented the issue and voiced our concerns and the Committee acknowledged that the incident involving my daughter was another event in a history of issues with the crossing that might act as a catalyst to making safety improvements. We were advised to complete this Community Issue form in advance of the Area Board Meeting on 2nd March but have now been advised by Councillor Budgen that we are too late to have the issue tabled for discussion at the meeting and will now have to wait until the next one on 6th July. We have also urged parents to be vigilant by making announcements in the school newsletter the school has produced a road safety leaflet for parents and younger children at the school have had road safety training.</p> <p>We would like to see a reduced limit of 20mph on this stretch of Tetbury Hill outside the school. The road that passes past St Josephs School has a 20mph speed limit - why does this not apply to the roads around the Primary School too especially since it has a far higher number of children We would also like the flashing School lights leading up to the school in both directions to be replaced with brighter LED lights - they are not very noticeable as they are. The road markings at the junction are extremely faded and need to be repainted. We also propose that the entrance to the Co Op supermarket be moved to the earlier roundabout with Old Station Mews so that motorists are not distracted with quite so many rights of way immediately before the crossing. It is easy for motorists exiting left out of the Co Op to miss the lights when they are immediately upon them.</p>
What would resolve issue	<p>Malmesbury Town Council, Wiltshire County Council, the Community Area Transport Group, Malmesbury C of E Primary School, the Co Operative supermarket, and Dyson in view of the amount of Dyson traffic that use Tetbury Hill as a route through Malmesbury.</p>
Who needs to come together	Community Area Transport Group
Classification	
In touch with Councillor	Yes
Sub Classification	
Current Status	in progress