# **Guidance for Installing Wiltshire Neighbourhood Watch Road Signs**

There are three steps to ordering Neighbourhood Watch Signs:

- Read through the general guidance on this page.
- Read through the risk assessment requirements.
- Complete and submit the application form.

#### **Obtaining Funds**

- Check for adjacent NHW schemes in your area on the website using the postcode search.
- Decide where signs are required to advertise and define your NHW area.
- Seek funds from your local parish council or town council.
- When seeking funding, use the justification that your scheme is helping to create safer communities.

## **General Guidance for Sign Installation**

- Do not fix signs on any wooden telegraph/electricity type pole.
- Avoid all mandatory road signs such as speed limits.
- Avoid all highway signs that already have 2 or more signs on the post(s).
- All other advisory single sign highway signs and bus stop signs, as well as metal lamp posts, can be used if practical.
- Minimum height of signs above pavements is 2.4m above joint walking & cyclepaths.
- Use overlays on any existing, but faded or outdated signs, if they are in the right place.
- Seek to place signs on all significant roads entering the area to maximise impact, minimise cost and identify the whole area.

# **Specific Site Risk Assessments**

- The standard Risk Assessment Form may look daunting, but it is common sense and the generic assessment should apply for most site circumstances.
- Check each risk as applied to each site where you wish to position a NHW sign.
- If you are content with the control measures listed for each site, then make sure you follow those measures.
- If you believe other control measures are required or the site chosen is too risky, either:
  - o Consider changing the site, or
  - o Add to the control measures for that site, or
  - o Seek advice from the designated WNHWA Road Sign Officer.
  - o Sign the Risk Assessment in the space provided and include with your application

## **Designated WNHWA Road Sign Officer**

This is Mr Paul Sunners (WNHWA Vice Chair & Road Signs Officer).

Either email or post your completed application form, with proposed sites for signs, together with the completed risk assessment to one of the addresses shown on the application form.

# **Example of Street Map to Accompany Application - Optional**

- Find your location on Google Maps.
- Print your local area and add sign information to the map.
- Click the example image to view or download a larger version.

