

KING'S LYNN AREA COMMITTEE REPORT

REPORT TO:	King's Lynn Area Committee Report		
DATE:	13 November 2025		
TITLE:	Parish Partnership Bids		
TYPE OF REPORT:	Development		
PORTFOLIO(S):			
REPORT AUTHOR:	Mark Whitmore		
OPEN/EXEMPT	Open	WILL BE SUBJECT TO A FUTURE CABINET REPORT:	No

REPORT SUMMARY/COVER PAGE

PURPOSE OF REPORT/SUMMARY: To make a decision on which bids to progress to Norfolk County Council for consideration for Parish Partnership Funding in 2026/27.
KEY ISSUES:
OPTIONS CONSIDERED: <i>None</i>
RECOMMENDATIONS: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To consider for approval, subject to budget availability, the costed scheme.2. For approved schemes that the sponsoring Councillor submits the bid to Norfolk County Council
REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS: To ensure that the highways improvement schemes in the unparished area of Kings Lynn can be submitted to Norfolk County Council.

REPORT DETAIL

1. Introduction

The Parish Partnership scheme allows local councils to bid for highway improvement schemes in their areas. The scheme covers a broad range of improvements, from electric vehicle charging points, to bus shelters and footways.

2. Proposal.

The scheme opened in June 2025 and closes on 1st December 2025 and will provide 50% of the cost of a scheme.

The process for receiving funding from Norfolk County Council is as follows:

- Identification of proposed bids by individual Councillors
- Discussion with NCC Highway Engineer on feasibility
- Costs estimate provided by NCC
- KLAC to determine which, if any, schemes it would like to progress.
- Determination that budget and ongoing maintenance costs are within budget
- Application submitted to NCC by 6th December
- NCC approve or decline the bid
- If approved funds are transferred and scheme designed and delivered.

The following costed proposals have been submitted for consideration by KLAC:

1. Installation of SAM3 Camera

Sponsor Cllr Jones

Location – Columbia Way

Reason for application – concern for safety of pedestrians, including school children, from speeding vehicles.

KLAC funding required £2376.50 in 26/27.

3. Issues for the Panel to Consider

Applications to the scheme close on the 1st December 2025,

4. Corporate Priorities

Supporting our Communities

5. Financial Implications

KLAC will need to fund 50% of the cost of the scheme.

Maintenance of the assets will be included in future special expenses costs.

6. Any other Implications/Risks

Approval of the bid by KLAC does not guarantee NCC will approve the application

7. Equal Opportunity Considerations

EQI screening will be required for each approved bid prior to submission.

8. Environmental Considerations

None

9. Consultation

Each bid is subject to Councillors having identified a need via informal consultation with constituents.

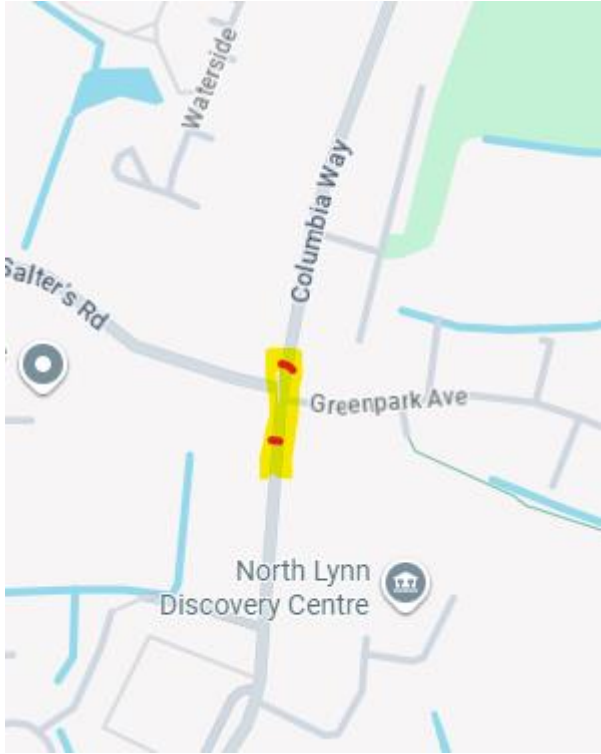
10. Conclusion

KLAC has received one costed application for consideration

11. Background Papers

Completed applications attached at Appendix 1

Parish Partnership bid application form 2026/27

Fund applied for:	Parish Partnership Fund 2026/27		
Applicant details:	Cllr Ben Jones		
Submitted by/contact:			
Phone Number:	07542 228989		
Email:	Cllr.Ben.Jones@west-norfolk.gov.uk		
Sum applied for:	4,753.00		
Total project cost:	4,753.00		
Project title:	SAM3 Camera on Columbia Way		
Project detail: (please include a plan/map of the extents of the scheme):	Place speed awareness cameras along here 		
plan/map attached:	Yes (Above)		
Parish Income:	Precept	Other Income	Total Yearly Income

Reason for works:	<p>There is a middle school on Green Park Avenue and children cross this road going to school and leaving. It is also now become a 4 way junction and with people parking on the road either side it obscures drivers vision when exiting either Greenpark Ave or Salters Rd, and it people are not adhering to the speed limit down this road another accident is imminent.</p>		
Any relevant supporting documents (e.g. supportive correspondence):	<p>Confirmed via emails – 22/10/2025</p>		
Highway Engineer Name	<p>MartinRose-Wells</p>		
Please confirm the project has the support of the local Highway Engineer - please provide date and details of discussion	<p>Contents of email dated 22/10/2025</p> <p>With this confirmed,</p> <p>I am happy to support the bid for a SAM unit under the Parish Partnership Scheme. Please see attached letter for how to apply.</p> <p>Should the application be granted in March 2026, we can assess and review the locations and prepare the MOU.</p> <p>There is no ongoing maintenance cost as yourself or The borough will be responsible for the unit we will not offer any repair or replacement.</p> <p>For a full and accurate cost including the 3 post installations please make an enquiry with sales@westcotec.co.uk 01362 853124</p> <p>We can facilitate this order on your behalf. However, it would make sense for you to discuss the functionality and relocation needs with the solar equipment you have suggested with the supplier directly.</p> <p>Also, I have been informed additional brackets are a good idea to make instillation on each site easier ,.</p> <p>Kind regards</p>		

	<p>Martin Rose-Wells, Highway Engineer</p> <p>West Area Office</p> <p>Infrastructure - Highways</p> <p>Poplar avenue,</p> <p>Saddlebow</p> <p>Kings Lynn</p> <p>PE34 3AQ</p> <p>Tel: 01603 638235 Mobile: 07767100206</p>
County Councillor (Local Member) Name	Cllr Lesley Bambridge
Please confirm the project has the support of the County Councillor (Local Member) – please provide date and details of discussion	<p>Email from Cllr Bambridge dated 16/09/2025</p> <p>It could come out of my Member's Fund but I have, on another email, just advised Cllr Jones, about the need for batteries to be removed, charged and returned and that this was not, when we had one for Tennyson Road/Goodwins Road/Vancouver Avenue. A resident took it upon himself to look after it but when he moved away, and others, there was no one to do it and neither NCC or BCKLWN had it in their responsibilities.</p> <p>Once it was installed, it was the Police's remit to manage the speeding but that was a very rare occasion. I was part of a Speedwatch team and we did "clock" speeders and, I believe, was if we managed to record 11, then the Police would come along and do the official recording. Because of residents moving – including me- the Speedwatch team didn't exist as well as the batteries not being looked after</p> <p>I have been asked to have cameras installed along Columbia Way, and explained the situation and none of the residents was prepared to manage it.</p> <p>When I chaired SNAP, a resident of Wootton Road requested cameras near his house and he couldn't get any of his neighbours to get a Speedwatch team together to back up the need.</p> <p>Jason, could you update me – and Cllr Jones – on the current situation with SAMs? If the situation has changed, then please use my fund to cover the costs. If it hasn't changed, then I have to</p>

	<p>question if this is a good use of taxpayers money,</p> <p>With regard to Columbia Way, all drivers are aware that there is a speed limit but some disregard it and would if they realised that the SAMs aren't particularly efficient because of the need to police the speeding.</p> <p>Lesley</p>
<p>Local Member Funding (if any) Please state amount and attach email confirmation from the Local Member</p>	