

REGULATORY COMMITTEE
31st MARCH 2004

PETITION

Purpose of Report

1. To consider and decide action on a petition.

Details of Petition

2. The following petition has been received since the last meeting of the Committee:-
 - Westbury: Oldfield Road - Traffic Measures
3. Details of the petition, officer comments and the recommendation are set out in **Appendix 1** of this report.
4. The petition and any supporting correspondence will be in the **Members' Room** or available from the Director of Corporate Services prior to the meeting.

Recommendation

5. The Committee is asked to consider the petition, along with officer comments, and any address made to Members by the petitioners prior to the meeting.

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The following unpublished documents have been relied on in the preparation of this Report:

Petition and supporting letters

Environmental impact of the Recommendation contained in this Report:

Not applicable

Organiser: Mrs. S. Gilbert, 32 Oldfield Road, Westbury

Petition for	Number of Signatures	Parish Or Town	Existing Speed Limit	Injury Accidents in 3 years	Comments from supporting letters	Observations	Recommendation
1. Correct advance signing of existing weight restriction 2. Extension to existing weight restriction 3. Implementation of advertised 20 mph zone	55	Westbury	30 mph and advisory 20 mph	None	<p>The noise and vibration caused by the existing humps and the weight of traffic using the road as a through route between Station Road and the Distributor Road of the Westbury Leigh development is unacceptable.</p> <p>The current weight restriction over part of the length should be correctly signed.</p> <p>The weight restriction should apply to the complete length of Oldfield Road.</p> <p>The 20 mph zone confirmed by this Committee on 11th June 2003 should be implemented.</p>	<p>The existing 7.5 tonne weight restriction on the south-western end of the road is designed to prevent through use of Oldfield Road. The placing of the restriction on the short length with no frontage access aids enforcement. The advance sign at Station Road should be resited by the developer prior to the meeting of the Committee. A further advance sign prior to the roundabout would be useful to clarify the situation.</p> <p>Extending the weight restriction to the complete length would not alter the effect on the through route but could make enforcement more difficult.</p> <p>The 20 mph Order is in place but cannot be implemented until the signing is installed by the developer. Completion of the regulatory signing is promised for Easter.</p> <p>The Police have given Mrs. Gilbert a direct telephone number for the local police station for contact should abuse of the weight restriction occur.</p> <p>The extension of the Spine Road over the railway would provide a higher quality alternative route to Oldfield Road, but it is unlikely to be constructed in the short term.</p> <p>The relevant area is indicated on the plan attached at Appendix A.</p>	<p>That it be noted that:-</p> <p>(i) The existing weight restriction is designed to prevent through lorries using Oldfield Road.</p> <p>(ii) The developer is relocating the advance sign.</p> <p>(iii) A further advance sign will be provided.</p> <p>(iv) The developer is in the process of changing the advisory 20 mph signing to the correct regulatory signs.</p> <p>(v) The extension of the Spine Road over the railway is developer-led. The land is proposed for allocation in the current District Plan period up to 2011.</p>