PROPOSED SPEED LIMIT CHANGES - MARKET LAVINGTON

OBJECTIONS BY PARISH COUNCILS TO PROPOSALS

The proposal is shown on the plan at **Appendix 2(A)**.

Drove Lane area

Market Lavington Parish Council supports the 30 mph on Drove Lane cul-de-sac but considers the proposed 40 mph speed limit on the B3098 between the current 30 mph restriction in Market Lavington and Easterton should be 30 mph. Part of this length is in Easterton Parish and that Council supports the view that the restriction should be 30 mph.

The Parish Council is concerned that the length is narrow, of a twisting alignment, is well used by both pedestrians and equestrians, and is unsuitable for a speed of 40 mph.

Comments

The section has no frontage development and appears rural in nature. The imposition of a 40 mph limit would retain 30 mph signs at the entry to the two villages where the urban nature appears to commence. Motorists are more likely to respect the 30 mph if the intervening section is restricted to 40 mph.

Spin Hill area

Market Lavington Parish Council supports the proposed 30 mph restriction but wishes the proposed 40 mph restriction at the north-western end to be at 30 mph.

A letter signed by 10 residents of Spin Hill supports the current 30/40 proposal and considers the Parish Council's objection is unnecessary and will delay the introduction of the scheme.

Comments

The frontage development along the north-western section is more sporadic and does not meet the 30 mph criteria. Also the installation of the 30 mph at a point where the density of development becomes greater is likely to have more impact and be respected.

It is recommended that the proposals for the Drove Lane/B3098 area and the Spin Hill area be pursued as originally suggested.