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NEW FOREST NATIONAL PARK PROPOSED EXTENSION TO 40 MPH SPEED LIMIT ZONE

Purpose of Report

To consider the comments received following the formal consultation associated with the Traffic Regulation Orders.

Consultation

The scheme has been developed following discussion with the New Forest National Park Authority.

The proposal has been developed and approved by the Department for Transport as it necessitates special authorisation for use on the public highway.

The Traffic Regulation Orders for the associated change were formally consulted upon between 19 June 2014 and 14 July 2014. During this period, comments have been received from Landford Parish Council, Whiteparish Parish Council, Mr L Randall (Wiltshire Council Member), New Forest National Park Authority, and 10 letters of comment from members of the public.

Options Considered

To:

- (i) Implement the proposal as advertised.
- (ii) Seek approval from the Department for Transport for approval to amend the proposal and undertake a further period of formal consultation for amended Traffic Regulation Orders.
- (iii) Abandon the proposal.

Reason for Decision

The scheme has been developed following a request from the New Forest National Park Authority, and included within its successful Local Sustainable Transport Fund bid, the funding for which time is limited.

The scheme seeks to improve consistency and understanding of speed restrictions within the New Forest National Park, failure to proceed with extending the zone, risks achieving this objective.

DECISION MADE

I approve that:

- (i) The proposal be implemented as advertised.
- (ii) The objectors be informed accordingly.

This decision was published on 29 October 2014 and will come into force on 6 November 2014.

The following supporting documents are attached:

Report
UPDATED - appendix 1 - Proposed Plan
Appendix 2 – Comments Received Officer Comment
Appendix 3 – List of objectorssupporters
Appendix 4 - Letters of comment

Date: 28 October 2014

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