

Cabinet Member for Transport, Street Scene and Flooding
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REFERENCE: HTW-14-23

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - THE COUNTY OF WILTSHIRE (A3102, LYNEHAM AND BRADENSTOKE) (40 MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2023

Purpose of Report

To consider two representations in connection with the proposed introduction of a 30-mph speed limit on a section of the A3102 Lyneham, extending the existing 30-mph speed limit by approximately 47 metres to the northeast of the existing speed limit (see **Appendix 2**). This is to provide a safe new access designed to Manual for Streets standards to the permitted development by enabling the required visibility splay at the access, this would reduce the speed limit from 40-mph in the location indicated.

Consultation

Consultations have been undertaken with the Fire Service, Police and Ambulance Service and also with the relevant bus companies, the Town Council and the Local Member. Advertisements have been posted in the local press and notices were posted in prominent positions at the site (see **Appendix 1**).

Options Considered

To:

- (i) Implement the proposals as advertised.
- (ii) Not implement the proposals.
- (iii) Implement the proposals with amendments.

Reason for Decision

To regulate the speed of traffic along a section of the A3102 and provide safe access to permitted development 20/02387/OUT and PL/2021/09817, in the interests of highway safety.

The need for an amendment to the speed limit was identified following the submission and subsequent approval of a development for the provision of new access.

The development requires the formation of a new access. The reduction in the speed limit, together with road markings and surface treatment, are considered appropriate, and necessary.

Objections made to the advertised draft Order listed in **Appendix 2** have been considered. Whilst the proposal for a 30-mph speed limit, as advertised, is considered to reflect the actual speeds on this section of road and improve the visibility for vehicles exiting the approved access, there is a desire to reduce the speed of traffic on this section for a longer distance to the northeast of the proposed new limit.

The guidance contained within Circular 01/2013 has been considered regarding a further extension to the proposed reduction in the speed limit to 30-mph, but this is considered not to fit the criterion for a road of this nature. Consideration has also been given to DfT Traffic Advice Leaflet 01/04 with regard to village speed limits.

<p><u>DECISION MADE</u></p> <p>I approve that the proposal be implemented as advertised.</p> <p>This decision was published on Wednesday 6 September 2023 and will come into force on Thursday 14 September 2023.</p>
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The following report and appendices are attached:

- HTW1423 - Report
- HTW1423_App1 – Appendix 1: Site Notice
- HTW1423_App2 – Appendix 2: Objections/Comments

The following supporting documents are available from the officer named above:

None

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