

**Objections**

<u>Ref</u>	<u>Comment Received</u>	<u>Officer Comment</u>
1	<p>The idea to have a 40 mph zone on Jump Farm is slightly strange. As you enter Jump Farm from Windsor Drive; the road sign currently displays 30 mph, so the idea to change from 30 mph to a 40 mph is nonsense.</p> <p>To have double yellow lines on this road would also be advantageous as the number of cars parked on the side of the road is a danger especially when the sun shines down the hill in the mornings.</p> <hr/> <p>I consider that 40 mph is still too fast on Jump Farm Road, Cars already speed down towards the roundabout, and there are invariably cars parked on the upward slope of the road. I believe that this is dangerous and that people will not slow down to 20 mph on Brickley Lane if they have driven at 40 mph down Jump Farm Rd.</p> <hr/> <p>I cannot agree that the uplift from 30 MPH to 40 MPH along Jump Farm Road is acceptable. The traffic flow along that stretch of road does not lend itself to an increase. There are often cars parked along the road making it more hazardous to both motorists and pedestrians trying to cross the road. How in the "interests of road safety" can an increase in speed be in the interests of safety? Speed limits in towns need to be kept down.</p> <hr/> <p>Whilst I am all for the reduction in speed limits to 20 MPH I am concerned how this will be policed. What I don't understand is how can increasing the speed limit on Jump Farm Road from 30 MPH to 40 MPH is good for road safety. There are often cars parked there and an increase in the speed limit can only lead to accidents</p> <hr/> <p>I think that changing the speed limit in Jump Farm Road 30mph to 40mph is a move in the wrong direction and would only make the</p>	<p>Guidance on the setting of speed limits is set out by the Department for Transport in its publication Circular 01/13 Setting Local Speed Limits.</p> <p>The guidance set outs that speed limits should have a minimum length of 600 metres, in exceptional circumstances this can be further reduced to 300 metres. The introduction of the 20 mph restriction for Brickley Lane would result in the existing 30 mph limit in place on Jump Farm Road being approximately 240 metres in length. This is considerably below the absolute minimum and not considered acceptable.</p> <p>The nature of the road is such that it acts as a local distributor, with no direct access or property frontage. All the properties are accessed via separate side roads with appropriate junctions. When considering the level of restriction that is applicable as an alternative to the existing 30 mph, these characteristic are akin to roads with a 40 mph limit, and hence an extension of the 40 mph restriction in place on Windsor Drive is the appropriate solution to infill.</p> <p>It is acknowledged that a number of vehicles currently park on the carriageway. The highway is for the purpose of passage and re-passage only, with parking tolerated by the highway authority. Residents who wish to use the highway for parking purposes do so at their own risk, however it is recognised that vehicles which are parked on the highway do offer some traffic calming effect as they restrict forward visibility and narrow available space.</p>

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	road less safe	
2	<p>I write to voice my concerns about the proposed 20 mph speed limit in Brickley Lane Devizes, and other surrounding roads. I live in Elm Tree Gardens, just off of Brickley Lane.</p> <p>Most drivers are prepared to drive carefully at the present speed limit in these roads. However there are a small number who use our roads as a race-track especially at weekends and in the evenings. These do give us cause for concern particularly where there are dangerous blind bends – I, like others have been involved in near misses on these bends where other drivers approach on the wrong side of the road and at speed.</p> <p>However, I think it would be a complete waste of money to try to enforce a 20 mph speed limit, unless you are prepared to police these roads to catch anyone exceeding the limit throughout every day and night. I guess this would be extremely costly in Police wages. Otherwise I cannot see much notice being taken of this kind of limit and I think it is very unlikely to stop those who truly speed round our roads. Please do not waste tax payers money on something which is very unlikely to solve the speeding problem.</p> <p>I trust that you will think very carefully about my message and find another way of stopping those who deliberately speed round our roads for fun, and not waste the money of other law-abiding residents.</p>	<p>Following the publication of Circular 01/13, the Department for Transport have reviewed the guidance and advice it provides on the use of 20 mph speed limits and Zones. It has recognised the increased desire for such limits within local communities, and given increased prominence to this level of restriction.</p> <p>With this increased prominence borne in mind, and the national changing perception to this type restriction Wiltshire Council developed a dedicated policy outlining the criteria and locations suitable for 20 mph restrictions. Given the desire to increase community involvement within the decision making processes, all 18 community areas were given the opportunity to identify locations for assessment, and Devizes Town Council nominated Brickley Lane.</p> <p>It is recognised in the guidance and authority's policy, that such limits should be self-enforcing and have minimal need for Police enforcement; consequently, they will only be considered in locations where the vast majority of vehicle speeds are at or below a mean speed of 24 mph. During the assessment, vehicles speeds were recorded to below this level at over 80% of the locations where surveys took place. For those roads or location where this criteria is not met, then additional features are proposed to further encourage a speed reduction to below this level.</p>

### Support

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	<p>I am in favour of all the proposed changes to the speed limits. For the safety reasons, I often drive at 20 mph in this area. There are a huge number of parked cars which makes it difficult to see pedestrians and driving at 20 mph means pedestrians have more chance of survival.</p> <hr/>	<p>Comments in support of the proposal are noted.</p>

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	<p>Welcome the widespread reduction of the speed limit in the area to 20 MPH.</p> <hr/> <p>I totally agree with the proposed reduction in the speed limit to 20 mph for the roads in the Brickley Road area, this has been needed for a long time</p>	

### General Comments

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<b>GC1</b>	<p>Having moved to Church Walk 20 months ago, we have encountered numerous issues with speeding cars, with one actually hitting our family pet causing death, plus our motor vehicles being damaged due to wreck less speeding drivers. The road is consistently being used a cut-through &amp; we are continuously battling against drivers breaking the speed limit. The street/walk is a single lane, consisting of a narrow path, with parking on one side, and currently stands at a 30mph speed limit – I would like to strongly highlight our proximity to the local schools, Crammer Court Care Home &amp; the public Green's – all of which are within a short reach of the road. We have seen a lot of near misses along this road, with fast cars meeting head on – we have witnessed many potential accidents, it is only a matter of time before a resident or child on their way to school is seriously hurt.</p>	<p>The original request centred on the introduction of a restriction for Brickley Lane. Following discussion within the Community Area Transport Group, it was identified that the surrounding streets of Bricksteed Avenue, Longscroft Avenue, etc. should also be included as these were considered to be similar in nature.</p> <p>With regards to Church Walk, if there is a desire to see an introduction of a 20 mph restriction, a request should be logged with the Community Area Board for future consideration by the Community Area Transport Group. Request can be submitted at <a href="http://services.wiltshire.gov.uk/Forms/area_board/report_issue.php?area_board=Devizes">http://services.wiltshire.gov.uk/Forms/area_board/report_issue.php?area_board=Devizes</a> .</p>
<b>GC2</b>	<p>Whilst I am in agreement with the traffic speed restriction proposal, I don't understand why it does not include Nursteed Road round the Southbroom Junior School</p>	<p>Wiltshire Council's adopted policy sets out that 20 mph speed limits shall only be introduced on roads which do not have a strategic function. Nursteed Road is the A342 and as such is of strategic importance and consequently a 20 mph limit cannot be considered for this location.</p>