

**APPENDIX 2**

**North Chippenham Link Road (A350 to B4069) - 50 mph Speed Limit Order**

**TABLE OF OBJECTORS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Objection/ Support</b>
RESIDENT	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I am writing this email to comment on the proposal to make the speed limit on this road 50mph. I believe that it is an unnecessary limit, and it should be lower. Initially the link road has a roundabout at both ends and an additional one in the middle, making it unnecessary to allow such speeds and would encourage speeding as drivers could potentially attempt to get up to speed in short distances. Also the proximity to the estate and the woods means that there is a large amount of pedestrians who use the area for walking and this poses a risk to their safety.</p> <p>The estate and users of the local wood area are often those with young families as this is a new estate and many first-time buyers have bought here to start a family. There is already an issue with the Maud's Heath Causeway, where drivers speed and race which causes regular issues with noise, and it is not policed appropriately. Extending this up the link road will encourage further issues should you allow them to use this road at that speed. Finally, your intention to allow this speed has the potential to negatively impact the value of our homes which we have worked hard to earn for our future.</p> <p>I hope you will reconsider the proposed limit and reduce it to something which discourages dangerous driving in respect of the above points. The short distance of this link road has no reason for it.</p>
RESIDENT: Gainey Gardens	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I am writing to contest the proposal for a 50mph speed limit on the North Chippenham Link Road. I am incredibly concerned by this speed limit given the proximity of the road to my house, which faces directly outward onto the road. Please see attached a view from my kitchen window, facing onto the roundabout of the link road. I feel a 50mph speed limit is dangerous given this proximity. I already find myself very anxious that a car will hit into my house and that is without the volume of traffic that will be on this road or at that speed. This is not in line with national speed limit for a built-up area such as this (30mph) which seems much more reasonable, reflecting the housing estate, number of children, development of a school, inclusion of a roundabout and bus stops etc. When I purchased the property, I was advised this road would be 30mph.</p>

RESIDENT: Gainey Gardens	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I would like to register my objection to the 50mph speed limit proposed for the new North Chippenham Link Road. This road is flanked by a new housing development with children and animals on one side and a quiet woodland with wild animals on the other, and it seems to me that 50mph would do more harm than good. As long as the traffic flows freely along the road; then surely we must take into consideration the safety of each other, the road users and the residents/families who live on the estate - we do not want this road to become another high speed rat-run through Chippenham. A safer speed of 30 or 40mph would allow traffic to still move freely along the link road and would drastically reduce the risk of accident or incident.</p>
RESIDENT: Bull Lane	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I am writing to you about the link road situated around the Birds Marsh View estate, linking the roundabout at Wavin to the A350 roundabout.</p> <p>As a resident of the estate, who regularly walks along the link road footpath and crosses over into Birds Marsh Woods, I would like to contest the 50 mph proposed speed limit for that road.</p> <p>As of 8th Dec 2021, over 350 new two, three and four bedroom homes were being and have been built on the new Birds Marsh estate, making it a busy area for resident pedestrians - including many families and dog walkers. I believe the proposed 50 mph speed limit will not only be dangerous to the public who use the footpaths around the road and into the woods but also cause unnecessary pollution affecting green spaces and the health of locals.</p> <p>According to safespeed.org.uk, the chances of a pedestrian being killed if hit by a car travelling at 50 mph is almost 100%. This is greatly reduced if the car is travelling at 30 mph, which is the speed limit I'd like considered for the link road. This matches the limit up the B4069 until just past Hill Corner Road. Whilst the footpath is set back from the link road, there are various crossings into Birds Marsh Woods and the proposed allotments with no appropriate crossing solutions (pelican/zebra crossings). On top of this, there are bus stops and turnings into the estate that don't have separate lanes increasing the chances of a road collision at such a high speed. In icy conditions, the stopping distance at 50 mph would be over half a kilometre, which is half the length of the total distance of the road from the start of Gainey Gardens to the end of the road by the A350 roundabout. A crossing pedestrian or bus stopped would likely be hit. To conclude my most important point, I believe this speed limit creates a danger to life.</p>

		<p>Secondly, the impact on climate and air pollution decreases after 20 mph and increases at 50 mph. In a bid to keep Chippenham green and clean, I wonder why the speed limit has been placed unnecessarily high in a residential area. Traffic pollution can aggravate asthma, reduce lung capacity and increase susceptibility to respiratory illnesses. The pollution will also have a detrimental effect on water quality and soil quality in the surrounding area, including Birds Marsh Woods, which is a conservation area.</p> <p>My final point is noise pollution. Many houses are situated on the outskirts of the estate, backing onto the link road. The residents, many of which are young families, will be affected by the noise pollution - including fast traffic and horn honking all day and night along a busy stretch of road. A recent study found that noise pollution also affects the cognitive behaviour of birds. It can take twice as long for birds to learn new skills, such as foraging for food, when exposed to noise pollution. The woods are currently undergoing maintenance to attract native insets and birds. This hard work will surely be undone by fast traffic.</p> <p>I really hope the above points help you reconsider this dangerously high-speed limit. I look forward to you reducing it to a speed that doesn't cause unnecessary risk to life and health, and to the green spaces that surround us.</p>
RESIDENT: Gainey Gardens	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I am emailing regarding the speed limit on the new link road by the Birds Marsh View development. I think 50mph would make it harder to access the woods and allotments, be an additional risk to kids and increase noise. A 40 limit would be much more suitable.</p>
RESIDENT: Barrow Farmhouse	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>We wish to register our grave concerns regarding the above proposal BECAUSE.....</p> <p>When traveling West to East on the link road the access to and from the three properties (Barrow Cottage, Barrow Farmhouse and Barrow Barn) is totally obscured. Likewise, when leaving the track to join the link road and pedestrians wishing to cross the link road the view to the West is totally obscured.</p> <p>The new road stretch from the A350 to the roundabout will attract speed whatever limit is set. BUT this could be mitigated by reducing the limit (thereby increasing the fines proportionate to the speed excess) and road signage informing the Eastbound traffic of the "HIDDEN ENTRANCE".</p> <p>The new planting in the area, whilst admirable for the planet,</p>

		will only get taller and broader NOT MAKING THE SITUATION ANY BETTER. This junction in its present form and the proposed speed limit is dangerous for current and future users. A more considered arrangement should have been suggested from the outset.
RESIDENT: Gainey Gardens	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I am emailing regarding the speed limit on the new link road by the Birds Marsh View development. I think 50mph would make it harder to access the woods and allotments, be an additional risk to kids and increase noise. A 40 limit would be much more suitable.</p>
RESIDENT: Gainey Gardens	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I am writing to show my objections and concerns regarding the proposed 50mph speed limit on the new Chippenham link road surrounding birds marsh estate. I live on Phase 2 at the start of Gainey gardens. I have already witnessed first-hand (with doorbell footage) that of joyriding, speeding and illegal driving being undertaken on this road. Including a white BMW doing doughnuts around the roundabout which I reported to the police. The close proximity of the road to houses makes the 50mph limit seem completely excessive. This road has no real transport links and will mainly be used by residents, buses and lorries. None of which need to be driven at that speed limit.</p> <p>Being a long straight road at 50 you are inviting dangerous drivers to use this as a speed track like they currently do with the Pewsham bypass overnight. I have a young child, as do many on this estate and I know personally I am dreading the day this road opens if it is a 50. When we bought the house Barratt assured us it would be a 30.</p> <p>I would also question why the council are proposing building a primary school so close to a 50mph road. Birds Marsh Woods is a popular place for dog walkers and walkers alike and to now have to cross into this over such a fast road seems like an accident waiting to happen. I would also add that the placement of speed cameras or speed bumps (as there are on CPN &amp; CPS) would be a well worth investment in the safety of Chippenham residents.</p>
RESIDENT: Hickory Way	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>The location of this road in such close proximity to a large estate on which many young families live, and a school is due to be built, means that a 50mph limit is too high. This road is also commonly used for access to the footpaths beyond and would be a high risk to people walking or dog walking in this area.</p>

RESIDENT: Harvey Avenue	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I would like you to consider re-thinking the speed limit on the link road. 50mph is too fast. I live on Harvey Avenue a lovely quiet road with families, pets, &amp; wildlife. The houses opposite me all have children in which their gardens back onto the link road. I myself and many of my neighbours have cats. In which I would be terrified of one day finding one squished on the road let alone one of my own. The noise will scare off the wildlife you are spending so much time and consideration to care for. Birds Marsh View is supposed to be for people to start a quiet family life. How can that be with a 50mph speed limit? All it will do is encourage people to race down the road making as much noise as possible.</p> <p>Please re-think changing the limit to 30mph to make it safer for us who live in the area. Then if people speed as it's very common for people to. It would only be around 40mph so if ever hitting a child, it wouldn't cause that much harm. When most people speed in a 50mph zone it can be speeds of 80mph which if hitting a child would be more likely to cause a death. Thank you for taking the time out to read my email and listen to my concerns.</p>
RESIDENT: Gainey Gardens	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I'm writing to object to the proposed 50 speed limit on the link road through our estate. I am concerned for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For the safety of dogs and their walkers</li> <li>• Children who will attend the local newly built primary school</li> <li>• Proposed bus stops that will increase the risk to the above as cars attempt to overtake</li> <li>• The local cats and wildlife</li> <li>• The attraction to joy riders/local speed freaks</li> </ul> <p>I do wish to say that I welcome the opportunity of the opening of the road for easy access for residents and commuters. Also, to take the pressure from narrow Hill Corner Road. However, 50mph is simply too fast for this built-up family estate. You may disagree, but in my limited experience; should 50mph be decided, very quickly calming measures will be required due to the obvious risks and the subsequent incidents. Many thanks for your consideration on this matter</p>
RESIDENT: Harvey Avenue	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>50mph is too fast and I propose a 40mph. It will be a very busy road with lots of pedestrians walking along the paths and crossing to get to the woods. There are bus stops along the road but no lay-bys, which is an accident waiting to happen. Also,</p>

		lots of animals about whereby again, an accident waiting to happen.
COUNCILLOR Ross Henning	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I wish to make representations regarding the consultation on the 50 mph speed limit North Chippenham Link Road.</p> <p>There is no need to harmonise with the A350 and the B4069 as this is a stretch of road in its own right. And if my memory serves the speed limit on the B road roundabout is less than 50 mph. With the work being done on the Birds Marsh Wood to open it up for more informal use by the public and also the work being done by Langley Burrell Parish to develop their public footpath network in the area, pedestrian movements will dramatically increase especially for the residents of the new Birds Marsh estate but also for Chippenham residents as a whole. There are no crossings on the road informal or otherwise and as such I feel I must make the point that the 50 mph speed limit on this road will be unsuitable and a limit of 40 would be much more appropriate.</p> <p>As Chairman of the Chippenham Area Transport Group. I would like to add that we are repeatedly asked for the lowering of speed limits and the placing of crossings and/or central reservations where there is a need due to pedestrian and cycle movements. After all we are meant to be encouraging less car use. I also have some concerns about safe cycle and pedestrian movements at the A350 end of the link road.</p> <p>Through extensive consultation by the Police and Crime Commissioner it has shown that speeding is a very high priority amongst the Wiltshire community. This road in particular will become very busy once it is opened so let's get it right from the start so that it doesn't have to be revisited in a few years time with requests for a reduced speed limit.</p>
RESIDENT: Clutterbuck Close	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I am emailing to submit my opinion regarding consultation reference LJB/TRO/CHIP50 the speed limit on the North Chippenham Link Road. I believe 50mph will be too fast for such a short stretch of road, plus the increase in noise and air pollution and danger to local wildlife. I would rather see it posted at 40mph.</p>
RESIDENT: Thomas Mead	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I am a new resident at the Bird Marsh View estate and due to move in phase 4 in June/July. I was advised when I purchased my home that this is a link road with a school so having the speed limit set to 50mph is ridiculous. Even if there is no school, this is a residential estate where my road is very close to the link road. On the proposal which has been placed around</p>

		<p>the estate it does NOT show the new phases which includes mine.</p> <p>I was not informed the speed limit will be this high and I object. This should be no more than 30/40mph with speed reducing humps to stop kids joyriding. I have also been told that this is also why the gates have remained locked as kids are riding motorbikes up and down the road. People are already speeding, and I have seen posts of animals that have been run over. Please rethink and look at the surroundings before making a decision.</p>
RESIDENT: Harvey Avenue	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>50mph in a built-up area, outside a proposed school location is asking for trouble. This along with bus stops that do not allow off road stopping will cause a serious incident. 40mph would be plenty for this road.</p>
RESIDENT: Birds Marsh View	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I am writing to complain that the 50mph speed limit being set on the North Chippenham link road around the Birds Marsh View estate is way too high and incredibly dangerous. There are many families and dog owners who live on the estate who use this road to access the woods and footpaths and 50mph is just asking for a serious accident to take place. There has been no safe crossing such as a zebra or pelican crossing created on the road, so crossing it will be incredibly dangerous when there are higher volumes of traffic travelling at 50mph.</p> <p>At most I think the speed limit here should be 40mph, even then without a safe pedestrian crossing this could be dangerous! I hope that this will be taken into consideration.</p>
RESIDENT	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>This email is in relation to the proposed speed limit of 50 miles per hour on the new link road surrounding the Birds Marsh View development. A 50 mile per hour road is an absolutely abhorrent idea. There has been absolutely no consideration given here for pedestrians trying to cross the road to get to the allotments/woods etc. There is absolutely no need for the road along phase 1 of the site (immediately off the B4069) to be 50 miles an hour for the drivers to then have to slam their breaks on as they approach the roundabout.</p> <p>This would absolutely cause car accidents and be dangerous for anyone trying to cross the road. There haven't been any crossings or traffic lights added for the safety of pedestrians nor any barriers so people walking along this road feel safe. There is also talk of a primary school being planned on the site so there will no doubt be children walking to and from school along this road plus all the other children that live in the Birds Marsh View development already. All of this still does not</p>

		<p>mention the road noise should there be a 50 mile an hour limit imposed which would be unbearable.</p> <p>There is absolutely no need for the drivers to endanger the residents. Traffic accidents and deaths are far more likely at a higher speed limit. Please take this into consideration.</p>
RESIDENT	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I am emailing to object to the speed limit on the CHIPPENHAM link road at the Birds Marsh View estate. We live on the estate and feel that it should either be 30 mph or no more than 40 mph. I have seen cars going to fast up there now even though it is not opened as yet and, as on the plans, a primary school is supposed to be built, 50mph is way too fast.</p>
RESIDENT: Harvey Avenue	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>As a resident of the Birds Marsh view estate, I would like to object to the proposal of the link road being given a 50mph speed limit. I believe this speed limit is too fast. Our estate is full of families, many with young children. We like to take advantage of the walks and woods that are on the other side of the link road. There are crossings, but this will become very dangerous to cross if the speed limit is 50mph. There is also lots of wildlife and animal kept as pets and this will also be a danger to them.</p> <p>Just because the A350 is 50mph, doesn't not mean this road should be. There are so many houses that are close to this road and many road users are looking forward to the link road being open, but only if it is safe. The damage an accident can cause at 50mph will be catastrophic, reducing the speed limit to 30mph or even 40mph will save lives. Thank you for allowing me to voice my opinion on this matter.</p>
RESIDENT: Moss Mead	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I am writing to express my dismay and disagreement with the proposed 50mph speed limit for the North Chippenham Link Road. I believe a 30mph or 40 mph speed limit would be more appropriate.</p> <p>In the council's 'Statement of Reasons' to justify the 50mph, 'improving the amenities of the area' is the only one listed. However, this does not consider the area at all and certainly doesn't improve it. The statement also only considers vehicle user's needs and suggests the only alternative considered was no limit at all which is plainly absurd.</p> <p><b>Pedestrian access to woods and allotments</b> Birds Marsh View residential estate is on one side of the Link Road with Birds Marsh woods and local allotments on the other. Pedestrians will frequently cross the Link Road to access</p>

		<p>these amenities and their safety should be paramount. A 50mph limit greatly increases the risk to pedestrians and animals crossing the road in case of an accident especially as there are no light-controlled crossings available to use. In fact, a 50mph limit would make me feel quite uncomfortable attempting to cross the road at all!</p> <p><b>Children's safety</b>  Additionally, a primary school is planned for the Birds Marsh estate right next to the Link Road, if a child runs off, they could easily find themselves on this stretch of road. This adds to the risk already present to the children of local families if they were to want to play in the woods or go to the allotments.</p> <p><b>Overemphasis on vehicle users vs local pedestrians</b>  Finally, cars come off the A350 already at high speeds and switch to Malmesbury Lane at 30mph. This should be the case for the Link Road as well. The Statement of Reasons says harmonising with the A350 and B4069 is of more importance than local people's safety. I would argue that the A350 is not side by side to a large residential development and between said development and local amenities so the speed limit of the A350 should not be the main factor in deciding the speed of the Link Road. Even at a lower speed, the Link Road is still more direct than other routes from A350 to B4069 and would still present a convenience / time saving to users while also respecting the residential nature of the area.</p>
RESIDENT: Moss Mead	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>50mph is far too fast for the road running on the periphery of the Birds Marsh View Estate. There is due to be a primary school and allotments built on that road and there will be regular foot traffic of residents accessing those facilities and the woods. 50mph is not appropriate or safe that close to hundreds of residential homes. If there are high volumes of traffic this will also be extremely loud.</p>
RESIDENT: Hazel Crescent	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>The proposal of the 50mph limit on said road: LJB/TRO/CHIP50 should be seriously reconsidered. This road is extremely close to the footpath that runs alongside it. This path has a high traffic of people with dogs and children. It would not be safe to have vehicles/ including lorries run so close. No other 50mph bypass locally has a path that runs so close to the road where high- speed vehicles are travelling. There are also bus stops on this road which would prove a safety issue with vehicles having to suddenly come to a halt from such a speed. I hope this decision is well thought over</p>

RESIDENT	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I just wanted to raise my objections to the proposed 50mph limit. Most of the road is close to the housing estate, has a footpath right alongside all of it and has multiple pedestrian crossing points. I was certainly expecting a 40mph limit at most. The road isn't particularly long or straight too so the difference between 40mph &amp; 50mph as a driver would be minimal &amp; 40mph would certainly make the roundabouts at either end safer.</p>
RESIDENT: Beech Close	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I have recently been advised that an application for a 50mph limit has been proposed. I am writing to strongly disagree with this idea, this road should be 40mph as a minimum due to the proximity of hundreds of houses, wildlife from the woods, environmental issues with Wiltshire Council saying we are in a climate emergency. Also, the map doesn't show all the houses that are actually along the road, so it's completely outdated! I look forward to the limit being 40mph or under.</p>
RESIDENT: Filbert Street	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>As a resident of Birds Marsh, the new speed limit of 50mph on the new road is simply too high. This area is used a lot by pedestrians who are often walkers with their dogs. People not only pass by but cross this road on several points to access the farms and woods. It will also have a school, with kids crossing to and from a planned bus to pass and stop on it. Furthermore, there is a lot of wildlife on this area, people at 50 mph will not have time to react to animals crossing. Finally, slower traffic at 30 or 40 means less noise and less pollution in Chippenham!</p>
RESIDENT: Gainey Gardens	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I would like to object to the 50 mile per limit on Birds Marsh Bypass. It is a busy path for schoolchildren and children going to the park and crossing the road to the woods and would be very dangerous set to a 50 limit. A 30 limit would be good, or at the very least a 40 limit.</p>
RESIDENT	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I am writing to express my concern at the link road being 50 mph. I feel this is too fast considering how close the houses are to the road. Also, many people cross the road to walk in the fields and this would be dangerous for both the walkers and road users. The road being 50 mph will be a danger to children and will increase road noise in the area too.</p> <p>I am writing to disagree with the proposed 50mph speed limit and feel that it should be 40mph instead.</p>

RESIDENT: Scott Ashe Close	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I strongly object to a 50mph speed limit on the North Chippenham Link Road. The reasons being this road is crossed by adults and children to reach the woods, which is a valuable asset for mental health. This is used by not just the residents of Birds Marsh View, but also the estate to the south. There are several footpaths that cross this road, with residents coming from Marshfield Road too. There are plans for bus stops, and soon school. We all know that people do not keep to the limit and, with it being a straight road, drivers will go faster.</p>
RESIDENT	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I object to the road through Birds Marsh View being set to 50mph. It would be more prudent to set it to 30mph with speed bumps interspersed at a couple of points to deter from people taking advantage of the straight nature and not being tempted to floor it. As the building of Birds Marsh View has progressed that road has been used for drag races and overall just abused by boy racers, so my recommendations are not without merit.</p> <p>Cats, dogs, dog walkers, and children on bikes are a daily occurrence and would be tragic if any were to be hit by a car. At least with 30mph there is a chance to reduce the risk. I have no doubt in my mind that other BMV residents will feel the same and can't think of any other built-up areas of Chippenham other than perhaps Pewsham that are built up and have a 50mph speed limit, so let's keep it sensible and keep it to 30mph.</p>
RESIDENT: Filbert Street	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>The new speed limit of 50mph on the new road is simply too high at Birds Marsh View. This area is used by a lot by pedestrians, families who are often walking with their kids and dogs. There is a lot of wildlife in this area; drivers travelling at 50 mph will not have time to react to animals crossing. Finally, slower traffic at 30mph means less noise and less pollution!</p>
RESIDENT: Hazel Crescent	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I live directly opposite the road that is awaiting a 50mph speed limit (Hazel Crescent). I know there have already been quite a few concerns about this limit already, but I'd like to express my own.</p> <p>This estate has been a lovely home to us for nearly 3 years now and we've been very blessed with two young children over those past 3 years. My concern as a mum of two under 3 is the speed at which these cars will be going. Currently there are no markers for a zebra or even pelican crossing which is very concerning considering the number of residents (not only from</p>

		<p>our estate but other surrounding estates) who use the fields and forest opposite for dog walks and nature walks - on a daily basis. Nor are there any speed bumps along this road to deter speeding. Unfortunately, if the road is set to 50 MPH and the projected traffic that this road is going to have once opened occurs, you will literally be responsible for multiple fatal accidents which will inevitably happen. It would be great if someone could see the number of pedestrians who cross this road every weekend - definitely worth observing. This is a very dangerous speed to be having so close to such a built-up area and there should be more around to protect its residents and pedestrians. I hope you will find yourself re-evaluating this proposed decision as it seems very hazardous. The drivers will already be getting a shorter route - they do not need to be driving faster than the average built up area too.</p> <p>I hope you can appreciate my concerns and fear for this proposed decision, and I hope you come to change your mind before it is too late.</p>
RESIDENT: Hazel Crescent	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>This road passes through a new housing development with many houses that are occupied by families with young children and allowing a speed limit of 50mph is, in my opinion, courting disaster. Many households also have dogs and although their owners are very careful to keep them on a lead whilst out walking them, there is also potential for an accident.</p> <p>The reasons put forward for allowing a speed limit of 50mph seem tenuous - that it would allow continuity with other roads in the area, mainly the A350, which is mostly dual carriageway and is not close to houses! Also, I believe it is not in keeping with the government recommendation of 40mph for single carriageway roads in general, especially when they pass close to housing developments. There is also the social impact to consider, of noise and pollution.</p>
RESIDENT: Gainey Gardens	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>I would like to raise my strong objections to the proposal for North Chippenham Link Road, Chippenham - 50mph Speed Limit. I live on the new estate and our property backs onto this new road.</p> <p>First of all I find Wiltshire Councils statement of reasons for proposing the to make the order highly disappointing. And as for the second statement, the road may have been designed for 50MPH but that doesn't excuse that a road of that speed in this setting is incompatible with guidance from the Department for Transport in Setting local speed limits (Department for Transport Circular 01/2013 January 2013). The final sentences make it sound like harmonising the speed of the A350 and B4069 is of greater importance than the safety, amenity and</p>

		<p>ecology implications.</p> <p>I go back to point that the proposed 50 MPH limit is against guidance from the Department for Transport in Setting local speed limits (Department for Transport Circular 01/2013 January 2013). I have reviewed the relevant sections and, highlight the points below that I believe apply to the road in question:</p> <p>To summarise the points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The guidance states that only in exceptional circumstances that a 50mph limit may be considered. I am not sure what is exceptional about this road. (para 108)</li> <li>• This road is on the outskirts of the urban area, there is plenty of development and there are residential buildings set back from the road, this would indicate that a 40mph is more appropriate according to the guidance. (para 109)</li> <li>• The road is not a special road, a primary distributor, dual carriageway, ring or radial route. There are no crossing points for pedestrians other than islands which is not going to be safe for people needing to cross the road with a 50mph limit to access the public footpaths, the woods and even the bus stops on the road. There is also plenty of roadside residential development along the whole south side of the road. It's worth noting that a primary school is due to be built very close to the south side of this road as part of the development, so there will be plenty of children needing to cross this road in the near future. Taking these points into account i cannot see that a 50mph limit is appropriate or in line with the guidance, there is no exceptional circumstance that I can see to justify this, quite the opposite in fact. (para 110).</li> </ul> <p>The inappropriate limit currently set for this road will have a negative impact on road safety, noise and air quality due to increased emissions for those who live nearby. These points are pertinent given that Wiltshire Council have acknowledged a Climate Emergency and the Highway Code has recently changed to give more importance to vulnerable road users. A 50 MPH limit on this road has a negative impact on both these issues.</p>
CHIPPENHAM TOWN COUNCIL	Email	<p><b>Objection</b></p> <p>The Planning, Transport and Environment committee discussed the proposed traffic regulation order ref the above at its recent meeting on the 30 March 2022.</p> <p>Following a discussion by Councillors at the meeting, they</p>

		<p>resolved to object to the proposed 50mph speed limit and felt that a 40mph speed limit would be more suitable.</p> <p>If you require further information please don't hesitate to contact me.</p>
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