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<p><b>Support / Comments</b></p> <p>Ref the above proposed speed restrictions in the north Chippenham area would it be possible to include Hill Corner Road for this reduced speed limit?</p> <p>There has been calls in the past for speed bumps / restrictions and with the large number of houses recently built next to Birds Marsh the road is very busy &amp; would benefit all, both the pavement &amp; road surface from the hill to the entrance with Pew Hill are in very poor condition as a result of the increase in traffic and HGVs. The latter frequently use the pavement when passing other vehicles. It's not a pleasant road to walk or drive along and this reduction would benefit both residents &amp; road users.</p> <p>Hope this can be passed on for consideration.</p>	<p>Hill Corner Road was included in the 20-mph speed limit assessment process. However, it did not meet the criteria set by the Wiltshire Council 20-mph Speed Restriction policy as existing speeds on Hill Corner Road are in excess of 24-mph. The speeds recorded on Hill Corner Road were over 27-mph.</p> <p>A sign only 20-mph speed limit may only be introduced on roads that have existing speeds of 24-mph or less as they are required to be self-enforcing.</p>
<p>The Chippenham Cycle Network Development Group (CCNDG) welcomes the proposal to implement a 20mph speed limit on all of these roads, and wholeheartedly supports this proposal.  <a href="https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/article/7462/TRO-Consultation-for-Various-Roads-Chippenham-20mph-Speed-Limit">https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/article/7462/TRO-Consultation-for-Various-Roads-Chippenham-20mph-Speed-Limit</a>            A 2018 report by Atkins, AECOM and Professor Mike Maher from University College London, prepared for the UK government's Department for Transport, examines the real-world impact that sign-only 20mph speed limits had.            The evidence gathered shows the positive impact 20mph speed limits have on a range of aspects, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Walking and cycling levels, including among children;</li> <li>• Vehicle speed reductions;</li> <li>• The local community.</li> </ul> <p>We would recommend anyone wishing to learn more about this topic to read the report.</p>	<p>The support for the proposal is noted.</p>

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<p><a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/757307/20mph-headline-report.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/757307/20mph-headline-report.pdf</a></p> <p>The 20s Plenty group has also compiled a range of evidence on casualty-reduction that results from reducing speed limits from 30mph to 20mph in urban areas.</p> <p><a href="https://www.20splenty.org/20mph_casualty_reduction">https://www.20splenty.org/20mph_casualty_reduction</a></p>	
<p>Chippenham Town Council supports this proposed Traffic Regulation Order on the basis that the lower speed limit will improve safety on and around the roads in question. There are concerns regarding the enforcement of this Order. Sufficient enforcement should be in place so as to ensure that the proposed 20mph limit is adhered to.</p>	<p>The support for the proposal is noted.</p> <p>It is a requirement for sign only 20-mph speed limits such as this proposal to be self-enforcing and, as such, the Wiltshire Council 20-mph Speed Restriction Policy follows the national guidance that limits be introduced on roads that have existing speeds of 24-mph or less. The roads included in this proposal meet this criterion.</p>
<p>I would like to express my strong support for the proposed 20mph speed limits being proposed for various roads in Chippenham, under reference LJB/TRO/CHIP20.</p> <p>Reducing the speed limit from 30mph to 20mph makes an area more pleasant for residents, who benefit from better air quality, less noise, and a safer environment for them and their children to live and play in. Lower vehicle speeds also make the area more attractive for cycling, scooting etc, which will help the council meet the objectives set out in its formally adopted Climate Strategy.</p> <p>There is ample evidence that shows that reducing speed limits in urban areas to 20mph results in a significant reduction in casualties. Some of that research is summarised here: <a href="https://www.20splenty.org/20mph_casualty_reduction">https://www.20splenty.org/20mph_casualty_reduction</a></p> <p>I very much hope this 20mph scheme can be implemented as soon as possible.</p>	<p>The support for the proposal is noted.</p>
<p>I would like to write asking if the wonderful plans to reduce speed in the Hill Rise, Greenway Lane and near districts could please, please extended to include the full length of Hill Corner Road? It is a very unpleasant road for the children going to school and elderly members of our community to walk, even I who is not challenged by any</p>	<p>Hill Corner Road was included in the 20-mph speed limit assessment process; however, it did not meet the criteria set by the Wiltshire Council 20-mph Speed Restriction Policy as existing speeds on Hill Corner Road are in excess of 24-mph. Speeds on Hill Corner Road were recorded at over 27-mph.</p>

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<p>disabilities find it dangerous. Traffic think nothing of driving along the pavement as space is tight with the evidence being the broken up pathway. Do consider this extension, you would be improving so many residents lives as I know you have received complaints about the speed of vehicles in the past.</p>	<p>A sign only 20-mph speed limit may only be introduced on roads that have existing speeds of 24-mph or less as they are required to be self-enforcing.</p>
<p>Whilst I support the proposal of a 20mph zone in Hill Rise, Chippenham, I object to the restricted area covered.</p> <p>The proposal should include Malmesbury Road, from The Little George Road junction to Wedmore Avenue.</p> <p>This section of Malmesbury Road is;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- residential</li> <li>- major walking route towards the town centre</li> <li>- major walking route to two of the main secondary schools (Hardenhuish &amp; Sheldon) so has significant numbers of children walking in the mornings and evenings</li> <li>- includes John Cole’s park which is a significant attraction for families especially at weekends and during holidays.</li> <li>- has permanent on street parking from the Little George Road junction to Greenway Avenue</li> <li>- the public additionally park on the road alongside John Cole’s Park, when in use, between Deansway and Greenway Avenue.</li> <li>- the road can be significantly busy with large lorries passing through Chippenham that frequently mount the pavements due to passing traffic levels with a lot of traffic travelling at speeds excessive to the area.</li> </ul> <p>I therefore propose that the area to be covered should be extended to include Malmesbury Road as previously stated.</p>	<p>The support for the proposal is noted.</p> <p>Malmesbury Road is classified within the road class hierarchy as a ‘3A – Main Distributor’ and as such does not meet the criteria for the introduction of a 20-mph speed restriction as set out in the adopted Wiltshire Council policy for 20-mph speed restrictions.</p>
<p>It is tragic that a young life was already lost on these streets, as quiet residential streets this speed limit would be a great step in the right</p>	<p>The support for the proposal is noted.</p>

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<p>direction of reclaiming them for our kids!</p>	
<p><b>Objections</b></p>	
<p>I do not wish the proposed speed limit change to 20mph to go ahead (reference: LJB/TRO/CHIP20).                  The traffic and visibility make exiting the estate via the roads near the church difficult (Greenaway Ave, Ashfield Rd. and Greenaway Lane) so on my commute I tend to use the exit near tale of spice (Hill Corner Rd).                  This change will lengthen my commute and I believe make traffic on the Malmsbury Road worse, making using the Greenaway Ave, Ashfield Rd. and Greenaway Lane estate exit even less viable than they already are.                  I'd prefer no changes to the speed limit but at the very least I believe that Oakland's, Greenaway Lane and Birch Groove should remain at a 30mph as they are the main arteries through the estate.</p>	<p>There are numerous entrance and exit points linking the estate with the surrounding road network that are available to those residing within the estate. For the location to be considered eligible for the introduction of a 20-mph speed limit, existing vehicle speeds must be at or below 24-mph, the impact on overall journey times will be minimal as the reduction would only increase journey times out the estate by approximately 10 seconds.</p> <p>Drivers should be utilising the adjacent B4158 and B4069 for through journeys and not utilising the estate roads as an alternative route. It will be beneficial to road safety within the estate should the 20-mph speed limit redirect drivers to more appropriate routes.</p>