

Comments and Officer Response**COMMENTS IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSAL**

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<p>Hi I want to voice my agreement with regards to the proposed new speed limit of 40mph on the Horton Road Divizes.</p> <p>50mph is far too fast.</p> <p>As a driving instructor I've always taught my pupils to drive much slower there.</p> <p>The approach to the roundabout and housing estate is impossible to do safely in any high speed.</p> <p>So 40 gets my vote.</p>	<p>Your comments of support are noted.</p>

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COMMENTS REQUESTING ALTERATIONS TO THE PROPOSAL

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<p>I see that there is a proposal to reduce the speed limit on Horton Road from 50 mph to 40 mph along the stretch from Ferozeshah Road past Marlborough Close.</p> <p>Is there any chance that this could be changed to 30 mph? I live in Wellington Drive and the speed of traffic passing our Close is quite frightening. From Cannings Hill Garage towards Horton the road is straight (even though there is a roundabout) and some vehicles take advantage of this at all times of day and night.</p> <p>The pathway from Wellington Drive to the Swindon bus stop is very narrow and you take your life in your hands to reach the stop. It really is quite dangerous and now that Marlborough Close is soon to be occupied plus the estate opposite with children possibly attending Bishops Cannings School and waiting at this bus stop, it seems a good idea to reduce the speed limit to 30 mph. Also, with the proposed industrial estate due to be built alongside Horton Road, traffic will surely be a lot heavier along this stretch in the future.</p> <p>An example, similar to my request, is the road through St Edith's Marsh, Bromham where there are a lot fewer houses along a straight road with a 30-mph speed limit.</p> <p>Thank you for your time reading this and I look forward to your comments.</p>	<p>Your comments of support are noted.</p> <p>This section of Horton Road was assessed against criteria set out in the Department for Transport Circular 01/13 'Setting Local Speed Limits' to determine the most appropriate speed limit. This assessment identified that the criteria for a 30mph speed limit was not met and a 40mph speed limit most appropriate hence this proposed speed limit change being put forward for formal consultation.</p> <p>Concerns regarding the narrow footway and bus stop should be directed to Devizes Town Council in the first instance, using the Highway Improvement Request form found at https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/article/6149/Local-Highway-and-Footway-Improvement-Groups.</p> <p>If the concern is supported by the town council, consideration can be given by the Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group for improvements at this location.</p>
<p>I strongly support the proposal to reduce the speed limit on Horton Road adjacent to Laywood estate to 40 mph. In fact I think it should be further reduced to 30 mph in line with the limit further into Devizes.</p> <p>Many Motorists hardly pause on the mini roundabout at the entrance to Laywood estate, I fear there will be a serious accident before long, many of them are driving at 50 + mph as they approach that stretch of road.</p>	<p>Your comments of support are noted.</p> <p>This section of Horton Road was assessed against criteria set out in the Department for Transport Circular 01/13 'Setting Local Speed Limits' to determine the most appropriate speed limit. This assessment identified that the criteria for a 30mph speed limit was not met and a 40mph speed limit most appropriate hence this proposed speed limit change being put forward for formal consultation.</p> <p>Concerns regarding the mini-roundabout should be raised with Devizes Town Council in the first instance, using a Highway Improvement Request form. If the concern is supported by the town council, consideration can be given by the Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group for further investigation.</p>

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COMMENTS OBJECTING TO THE PROPOSAL

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<p>I believe that reducing the speed from 50 to 40 miles per hour will not have the effect of slowing the traffic down from their present speed. I believe that as this now a built-up area that the speed should be reduced to 30miles per hour. The traffic has now increased along this stretch of road.</p>	<p>This section of Horton Road was assessed against criteria set out in the Department for Transport Circular 01/13 'Setting Local Speed Limits' to determine the most appropriate speed limit. This assessment identified that the criteria for a 30mph speed limit was not met and a 40mph speed limit most appropriate hence this proposed speed limit change being put forward for formal consultation.</p> <p>The criteria for a 30mph restriction to be applicable to a road requires a minimum level of housing to have direct frontage access onto the road. The environment and development alongside Horton Road is such that all the development is accessed from individual estate distributor roads, and with no direct vehicular access. The housing development is set a considerable distance from Horton Road, and separated through a significant grassed area, with a shared use path facility adjoining the road. In these scenarios, the guidance is clear that a limit lower than the national speed limit is appropriate, but greater than 30mph and hence 40mph has been considered appropriate.</p>