

**CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL**

**HIGHWAYS AND LOCAL SERVICES**

**Montgomeryshire**

**7<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

**REPORT BY: Road Safety and Traffic Systems Manager**

**SUBJECT: Abermule, Modification of 30mph speed limit area**

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**REPORT FOR: Decision**

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**1.0 Background**

- 1.1 Full planning consent has been secured by Dolafon Gospel Hall Trust to construct four new dwellings and a place of worship on land adjacent to Abermule House, accessed via a new vehicular access off the B4368 within the village of Abermule. The planning consent issued on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2017 requires the developer to carry out certain highway improvements prior to the commencement of development works within the site. These highway works include the provision of a footway along the B4368 between the site and the junction of the two class 2 county highways beyond the railway line, and the extension of the speed limit along the B4386.
- 1.2 Powys County Council has received the required payment from the developer to fund the consultation process and the making of the required Traffic Regulation Order to modify the extents of the existing 30 mph speed limit within the village. The developer is obliged to fund the manufacture and erection/relocation of all necessary signage and carriageway markings along the B4368 associated with the speed limit extension as and when the Order has been made.
- 1.3 The Council's traffic engineer has taken the opportunity to include certain other modifications to the extents of the existing 30 mph speed limit within the village as part of the proposed Order. These modifications take into account speed limit extension requests that have been previously received, and reflect the residential development expansion that has occurred within the village since the existing speed limit was brought into effect.
- 1.4 The proposed speed limit extensions are considered to be compliant with the Welsh Assembly Government Circular No. 24/2009 "Setting Local Speed Limits in Wales", and the proposed speed limit extensions are supported by the police, the community council and the local county councillor.
- 1.5 No modifications to the extents of the existing 20 mph and 40 mph speed limits at Abermule are proposed.

## 2.0 Proposal

- 2.1 To introduce a permanent Traffic Regulation Order to modify the extents of the existing 30 mph speed limit Traffic Regulation Order along the county classified highways numbered B4368, B4386 and C2052.
- 2.2 The existing and proposed 20 mph and 30 mph speed limit extents are identified on the attached plans, where the extents of the retained 20 mph speed limits are identified by the pairs of red circles on the plans, and the existing/proposed approximate locations of the 30 mph speed limits are identified by the pairs of black circles on the plan.

<b>Recommendation:</b>	<b>Reason for Recommendation:</b>
Committee is asked to resolve that the Traffic Regulation Order consultation procedure is initiated in accordance with The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996; and if no substantive objections are received the proposal be implemented.	To modify the extents of the existing 30 mph speed limit within the village, thereby acting to mitigate speed concerns within the village and secure the planning gain element of the housing development adjacent to Abermule House, in the interests of highway safety.

<b>Relevant Policy (ies):</b>	<b>Local Transport Plan</b>		
<b>Within Policy:</b>	<b>Y</b>	<b>Within Budget:</b>	<b>Y</b>

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