

**CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL.**

**MONTGOMERYSHIRE COMMITTEE**

**13 April 2016**

**REPORT AUTHOR:** Jo Lancey

**SUBJECT:** 20mph Limits outside schools, Machynlleth CP School and Llanfair Caereinion CP School

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**REPORT FOR:** **Decision / Discussion / Information**

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**Summary**

Welsh Government have undertaken a package of works to provide variable speed limits on the Trunk Roads around schools where 20mph speed limits are not currently in place. In this second round of proposals within the NMWTRA area 4 schools within Powys are being considered 2 in Montgomeryshire and 2 in Breconshire

**Proposal**

The schools within Montgomeryshire are Machynlleth CP School and Llanfair Caereinion CP School.

In Machynlleth it is proposed to introduce a mandatory 20mph speed limit along the whole length of Craigfryn, and Maesnewydd will become a 20mph zone as there is existing traffic calming insitu making the zone self-enforcing.

At Llanfair Caereinion it is proposed to include part of Neuadd Lane within the mandatory part time 20mph speed limit. This will reduce speeds along the route to both the county primary school and the high school.

**One Powys Plan**

Stronger, Safer & Economically Viable Communities – The proposal will reduce traffic speeds and make the environment outside the schools safer for the community and particularly vulnerable road users during school times.

**Options Considered/Available**

Option 1 Do Nothing – There will still be a mandatory part time 20mph speed limit implemented on the Trunk Roads but no additional work carried out on County Roads.

Option 2 Implement the proposals at both locations – This will reduce speeds along walking routes to and from the schools, improving road safety for vulnerable road users.

**Preferred Choice and Reasons**

The preferred choice would be Option 2. These will improve the safety of all the routes to and from the school, particularly at school times. The costs for the Traffic Regulation Order and the signing scheme will be borne by Welsh Government.

**Sustainability and Environmental Issues/Equalities/Crime and Disorder,/Welsh Language/Other Policies etc**

Not Applicable

**Children and Young People's Impact Statement - Safeguarding and Wellbeing**

Not Applicable

**Local Member(s)**

Cllr J Michael Williams and Cllr Viola E Evans both support the proposals in option 2.

**Other Front Line Services**

Not Applicable

**Support Services (Legal, Finance, Corporate Property, HR, ICT, Business Services)**

The Finance Business Partner Place notes the contents of the report, any costs incurred would be funded from within the current HTR revenue budget.

Legal Services have reviewed the proposals and have no issues except to ensure the proper process for implementing the Traffic Regulation Order is followed.

**Local Service Board/Partnerships/Stakeholders etc**

Not Applicable

**Corporate Communications**

The report is of public interest and requires proactive news release and use of social media to publicise the decision.

**Statutory Officers**

The Strategic Director Resources (S151 Officer) notes the comments made by Finance.

**Members' Interests**

The Monitoring Officer is not aware of any specific interests that may arise in relation to this report. If Members have an interest they should declare it at the start of the meeting and complete the relevant notification form.

**Future Status of the Report**

Not Applicable

<b>Recommendation:</b>	<b>Reason for Recommendation:</b>
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<p><b>1. To initiate the Traffic Regulation Order consultation procedure in accordance with The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996.</b></p> <p><b>2. Committee is asked to resolve that consultation procedures be initiated and if no substantive objections are received the proposal be implemented.</b></p>	<p><b>To enhance walking routes to and from both schools by reducing speeds and improving road safety for all road users</b></p>
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<b>Relevant Policy (ies):</b>			
<b>Within Policy:</b>	<b>Y / N</b>	<b>Within Budget:</b>	<b>Y / N</b>

<b>Relevant Local Member(s):</b>	<b>Cllr J Michael Williams; Cllr Viola E Evans</b>
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<b>Person(s) To Implement Decision:</b>	
<b>Date By When Decision To Be Implemented:</b>	

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**Background Papers used to prepare Report:**