

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL
PORTFOLIO HOLDER DELEGATED DECISION
by
COUNTY COUNCILLOR HEULWEN HULME
(PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR HIGHWAYS)
17 December 2019

REPORT AUTHOR: Area Traffic Officer South

SUBJECT: B4350, Glasbury – 40mph Speed Limit

REPORT FOR: Decision

1. Summary

1.1 Concerns have been raised regarding the number of accidents between Glasbury and Black Mountain Lodge over recent years. The Community Council have requested a 40mph buffer zone to encourage drivers to slow down before the 30mph speed limit. This should prevent the accidents caused by excessive speeds, which is the cause for the majority of the accidents along this stretch of carriageway. The Community Council have agreed to fund the consultation and implementation of the proposed speed limit

2. Proposal

2.1 It is proposed to introduce a 40mph speed limit along part of B4350 to create a buffer zone between the national speed limit and the 30mph speed limit sections. The length of the proposal is shown in the attached plan

3. Options Considered / Available

3.1 The options considered were

1. Do nothing – leave the speed limit at the existing national speed limit
2. Introduce the proposals – reduce the speed limit to 40mph to lower traffic speeds on the approach to the existing 30mph.

4. Preferred Choice and Reasons

4.1 The preferred option would be option 2. This would ensure lower traffic speeds and the risk of speed related accidents would be greatly reduced.

5. Impact Assessment

5.1 Is an impact assessment required? No

5.2 If yes is it attached? N/A

6. Corporate Improvement Plan

6.1 N/A

7. Local Member(s)

7.1 Cllr James Evans - I am happy with the proposed speed limit

8. Other Front Line Services

Does the recommendation impact on other services run by the Council or on behalf of the Council? No

If so please provide their comments

9. Communications

Have Communications seen a copy of this report? Yes

Have they made a comment? Yes

The report is of public interest and requires action to publicise the recommendation/decision.

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

10.1 Finance The Finance Manager notes the contents of the report, all works carried out will be funded by the community council.

10.2 Legal : The Principle Legal Assistant (North) has reviewed the proposals and confirms it is within our powers as long as the correct process follows.

10.3 Corporate Property (if appropriate)

10.4 HR (if appropriate)

10.5 ICT (if appropriate)

11. Scrutiny

Has this report been scrutinised? No

If Yes what version or date of report has been scrutinised?

Please insert the comments.

What changes have been made since the date of Scrutiny and explain why Scrutiny recommendations have been accepted or rejected?

12. **Statutory Officers**

The Head of Finance (Section 151 Officer) notes the comment of the Finance Manager.

The Head of Legal and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer) has commented as follows: “ I note the legal comment and have nothing to add to the report”.

13. **Members' Interests**

The Monitoring Officer is not aware of any specific interests that may arise in relation to this report. If the Portfolio Holder has an interest, he/ she should declare it, complete the relevant notification for and refer the matter to Cabinet for decision.

Recommendation:	Reason for Recommendation:
1. To initiate the Traffic Regulation Order consultation procedure in accordance with The Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996. 2. The Portfolio Holder is asked to resolve that consultation procedures be initiated and if no substantive objections are received the proposal be implemented.	To lower traffic speeds along the B4350 and reduce speed related accidents

Relevant Policy (ies):			
Within Policy:	Y / N	Within Budget:	Y / N

Relevant Local Member(s):	Cllr James Evans
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Person(s) To Implement Decision:	Jo Lancey
Date By When Decision To Be Implemented:	1 March 2020

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Background Papers used to prepare Report: