

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL

**County Council
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Highways, Recycling and Assets**

SUBJECT: Question from County Councillor Jackie Charlton

I understand the issues over the last few years on Road Traffic Orders. There is now a backlog which is looking untenable and unmanageable.

Could you as Cabinet Member provide some confidence to members and to residents that crucial RTO's in respect of reducing speed in areas which should be 30 mph rather than the 60 mph in place in a residential area?

Response

Councillor Charlton, as you will be aware the councils budgets are under significant strain and therefore works can only be considered in order of priority. Within HTR we are looking at a total savings target of £3.3M for 2019-20. There is therefore no additional funding that can be utilised to help reduce the backlog more quickly. Whilst you may consider it crucial to see a reduction from the national limit to a 30mph limit within your area, can I remind you that limits are indeed limits, not targets and drivers are still responsible for driving in accordance with the nature and condition of the road. However, I can assure you that the backlog will be progressed in accordance with its ranking against other schemes.