

Decision Record – Proposed Speed Limit Change – A425 Southam Road, Radford Semele

Cabinet Portfolio Holder taking the decision	Cllr Jeff Clarke Transport and Environment
Date of Decision	22 February 2018

Decision Taken	That the 'Warwickshire County Council (Various Roads, District of Warwick) (Speed Limit) (Variation) Order 2017 (now 2018) be made as advertised'.
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Reasons for Decisions	Traffic Orders that have attracted objections during consultation require the approval of the Portfolio Holder.
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Background Information	<p>The section of the A425 Southam Road is a single carriageway road currently subject to a permanent 50mph speed limit. A 30mph Temporary Traffic Regulation Order was put in place for construction works, this was due to expire on 26 February 2018. Changes to the speed limit on the A425 Southam Road, Radford Semele were proposed and a public notice was published 16th November 2017.</p> <p>The A425 Southam Road, as it leaves the village of Radford Semele, changes to open countryside to the South of the Southam Road. There is one junction to the North of the Southam Road that provides access to a new housing estate. As part of the legal S106 agreement relating to the new housing estate there is a contribution to be applied for the purpose of extending the existing 30mph limit to include the site access or introducing a 40mph buffer zone.</p> <p>There have been two personal injury collisions (PICs) within the proposed 40mph section of the A425. Both of these PICs occurred in the vicinity of a bend further out towards the Fosse Way within the permanent 50mph limit, that bend would now fall within the parameters of the proposed 40mph buffer zone.</p> <p>It is in response to the S106 obligation that Warwickshire County Council will now install a permanent 40mph buffer zone between the existing permanent 50mph and 30mph limits.</p> <p>Consultation has been carried out with the local member, Parish Council, Warwickshire Police, emergency services, Road Haulage Association and other statutory consultees.</p> <p>Notices advertising the order were published in the Warwick edition of the Leamington Spa Courier and on the Warwickshire Web pages with a copy of the proposal deposited at the public library in Leamington Spa, Warwick District Council Offices and at Shire Hall. In addition, copies were placed on street on 16th November 2017.</p> <p>An objection was submitted to the proposal.</p>
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Financial Implications	All works associated with this proposed speed limit will be carried out from S106 developer contributions.
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Portfolio Holder	Councillor Jeff Clarke

Checklist

Urgent matter?	No
Confidential or Exempt? (State the category of exempt information)	No
Is the decision contrary to the budget and policy framework?	No

List of Reports considered
Link to published proposed decision report: https://democratic.warwickshire.gov.uk/cm5/CalendarofMeetings/tabid/128/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/645/Meeting/4113/Committee/587/Default.aspx

List of Background Papers
Objections

Members and officers consulted or informed
Portfolio Holder – Councillor Jeff Clarke Corporate Board Legal – Ian Marriott Finance – Liz Firmstone, Virginia Rennie Equality – Polly Sharma, Claire Bonnet Democratic Services – Paul Williams Local member(s): Cllr Redford Other members: Cllrs Clarke, Chattaway, Shilton, Fradgley and Horner