

Decision Record – Proposed 30mph Speed Limit Marlcliff

Cabinet Portfolio Holder taking the decision	Cllr Jeff Clarke Transport and Environment
Date of Decision (not before 20 April 2018)	20/04/2018

Decision Taken
That the Portfolio Holder for Transport and Environment agrees that “The Warwickshire County Council (Various Roads, Marlcliff) (30 mph Speed Limit) Order 2018” be made as advertised.

Reasons for Decisions
Road traffic proposals that have attracted objections require consideration by the appropriate Portfolio Holder.

Background Information
<p>A 30 mph speed limit along B4085 Cleeve Road, Marlcliff and associated side roads is proposed. These proposals were published on 18 January 2018 in the Leamington Courier along with notices displayed on site.</p> <p>The Council’s reasons for proposing the Order are indicated in the statement of reasons appended to the report.</p> <p>Cleeve Road is the main road which runs through Marlcliff village. Cleeve Road primarily serves as a through traffic function, which also provides access to residential properties.</p> <p>In 2007, a new Speed Management Strategy was approved by the County Council as a result of the Speed Limit Circular 01/2006 issued by the Department for Transport (DfT). This has subsequently been superseded by Circular 01/2013. This covers three key areas: Education; Engineering; and Enforcement. The setting of speed limits is a key element of this strategy.</p> <p>The DfT Circular 01/2013 advises that the following criteria are applied when setting speed limits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Analysing the existing speed data to identify the mean speed of drivers; (ii) To consider the environment and nature of the road; and (iii) To consider any relevant injury accident data. <p>Taking these criteria into consideration, with the village of Marlcliff being a built up residential village, with several properties in close proximity to the highway, it is considered that the lower speed limits will improve the safety through the village of Marlcliff for both residents and road users.</p> <p>In addition, Traffic Advisory Leaflet 01/04 (DfT, 2004) sets out policy on achieving lower speed limits in villages. It suggests that reasonable minimum criteria for the definition of what constitutes a village, for the purpose of applying a village speed limit of 30 mph, would be that there were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20 or more houses (on one or both sides of the road); and • a minimum length of 600 metres. <p>The Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 enables the Council to make orders prohibiting the driving of motor vehicles on a road at a speed exceeding that specified in the order.</p> <p>Consultation was carried out with Councillor Mike Brain, Stratford-on-Avon District Council,</p>

Warwickshire Police, Fire Service, Ambulance Service, Road Haulage Association and other statutory consultees.

Public notices advertising the proposed 30 mph limit were published in the Leamington Courier newspaper on 18 January 2018. Notices were also displayed on street outlining the proposals. This resulted in the receipt of 4 representations, summarised in the published report.

Financial Implications

None

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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/4115/Committee/587/Default.aspx>

List of Background Papers

None

Members and officers consulted or informed

Portfolio Holder – Councillor Jeff Clarke
 Corporate Board
 Legal – Ian Marriott
 Finance – Liz Firmstone, Virginia Rennie
 Equality – Claire Bonnet
 Democratic Services – Paul Williams

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