# Warwick Road Kenilworth 30mph Speed Limit Extension & Traffic Calming in the form of Speed Cushions – OBJECTIONS FROM STATUTORY BODIES & RESIDENTS.

#### 1. Richard Elliott - Local Resident

Re order 2023 Warwick Road and road humps schedule 4 O OFFICIAL Like us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/WarwickshireCountyCouncil Follow us on Twitter: twitter.com/WarksHighways or twitter.com/warwickshire\_cc Received, thank you. Thank you! Accept and file. From: Richard Elliott <richard\_j\_elliott@yahoo.co.uk> Sent: 12 September 2023 11:41 To: County Highways Minor Works <chminorworks@warwickshire.gov.uk> Subject: Re order 2023 Warwick Road and road humps schedule 4 With regard to the proposed changes under order 2023 covering change of speed limits, lighting and road humps I would like you to consider my comments. Warwick Road has needed changes to improve the safety, particularly re extending the 30mph limit beyond where Kenilworth Rugby Club are due to locate to and therefore I support the changes apart from one objection. The objection I have is related to the number of road humps. I believe the number of 8 road humps is excessive. This is for two reasons, firstly in my view 4 humps would serve the purpose and slow traffic. With road humps in place a large number of vehicles will slow because of the humps, therefore any vehicle slowing for a hump would mean any other vehicle following that wouldn't have slowed would have to by the fact the vehicle in front had. Secondly if a vehicle has not slowed with 4 humps I cannot see why it would slow because there are 8 humps. All other aspects of the order 2023 I fully support and ask you to consider my above objection. Kind Regards Richard Elliott

#### 2. Mr Moseley - Local Resident

From: Simon Moseley <moseleysimon@gmail.com>

Sent: 15 September 2023 19:45

 $\textbf{To:} \ \, \textbf{County Highways Minor Works < chminorworks@warwickshire.gov.uk>} \\$ 

Subject: 30mph extension Warwick Road Kenilworth

FAO Chris Round

I am in favour of the extension of 30mph limit along Warwick road to encompass the new development, however it should also ensure it encompasses the proposed entrance to the new rugby club. I am not convinced the current proposals cover this.

Due to the cost of installing and ongoing maintenance costs of speed cusions I would be against the installation of these. A speed calming measure such as chicane and priority feature would be better slowing the traffic coming up the hill from leek wootton.

The dip at the bottom of leek wootton is a frost hollow and there have been several cars that have come off the road at the point during freezing weather. I believe reducing the 50 to 40 would reduce this and also assist in slowing the traffic down coming into the new 30mph zone. Could this be considered as part of the scheme?

The existing vehicle activated signal near the junction of Rouncil Lane should be removed as part of the scheme as it is pointless and faces the wrong direction anyway. With reduced speeds it is just an ongoing maintenance burden for WCC. The issue has never been traffic on Warwick road but idiots turning out of Rouncil Lane into on coming traffic. A roundabout here would actually be an improvement as Rouncil Lane is used by a significant amount of people and there is space. This would also reduce traffic speeds putting a more substantial feature in than having a straight road and give way.

Kind regards

Simon Moseley

9 Albion Street Kenilworth CV82FX

### 3. Stephen Carson - Local Resident

Objection to Warwick Road, Kenilworth - 30mph Speed limit and Traffic Calming Measures 🔘 OFFICIAL

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From: Stephen Carson <stephenjcarson.sc@gmail.com>

Sent: 16 September 2023 09:54

To: County Highways Minor Works <chminorworks@warwickshire.gov.uk>

Subject: Objection to Warwick Road, Kenilworth - 30mph Speed limit and Traffic Calming Measures

To whom it may concern,

I wish to raise an objection to schedule 4 of the proposed works:

## Warwick Road, Kenilworth - 30mph Speed limit and Traffic Calming Measures

Speed bumps are a blight on our road and the environment as they create noise, increased acceleration and braking and therefore increased pollution, cause wear and tear on vehicles and are uncomfortable to drive over for passengers even at low speeds.

The speed limit change to the past the new estate is a sensible proposition but speed limits can be enforced more effectively than using speed bumps through signage such as dynamic signs that show a vehicles current speed.

Yours sincerely, Stephen Carson 4 Leagh Close Kenilworth CV82FN

(Please do not publish my address)

#### 4. Lesley & Colin O'Connor - Local Residents

#### Re speed restrictions, Warwick Road, Kenilworth

It is generally beneficial to introduce various speed restrictions in urban areas & the proposed speed limits along the Warwick Road are to be welcomed. The use of speed humps, however, in this location, are, in our opinion, not, appropriate.

We detail, below, various concerns in support of our objection to the proposed speed humps.

Traffic speed between St John's gyratory & Wilkshire Road could be reduced by the construction of a traffic island at the bellmouth of Wilkshire Road, which could also facilitate access to the proposed rugby club.

Reducing the traffic speed could also be achieved through the provision of traffic lights at the Warwick Road/Rouncil Lane junction. Traffic lights would help regulate traffic flow from Rouncil Lane, thus avoiding the traffic queues especially early mornings & evenings when Rouncil Lane is used as a 'rat run'.

This junction is frequently used by articulated lorries travelling to & from the abattoir & the drivers have difficulty negotiating this junction. It should be noted that traffic will increase when the rugby club is completed & 120 houses built on the 6th form

Slower moving traffic will result in more pollution. Local residents already have to contend with queuing traffic & pollution. Traffic appears to reach its peak between 3.30 & 5.30 when queues of traffic can stretch from Wilkshire Road to the Texaco island.

Ten sets of speed humps between the Texaco garage & Wilkshire Road will cause drivers problems, as it is generally accepted that speed humps cause damage to motor vehicles.

We note that there is a proposed set of speed humps very close to the exit from Wilkshire Road so will not help vehicles turning right on to Warwick Road, this could result in steering being affected.

Speed humps can be a problem for back sufferers & Warwick Road is the main route for ambulances from Kenilworth to Warwick hospital, no one in an emergency ambulance needs extra jolts caused by speed humps. Warwick road is also a direct route from Police headquarters. Both these emergency services are very frequent users of this route.

At approximately 4.30 school coaches stop very near the junction of Rouncil Lane/Warwick Road junction. This hinders traffic flow, causing tailbacks, how would the introduction of speed humps help? They wouldn't!

Traffic issues in this area are not a new cause of concern, problems here have existed for years & are getting worse. We need an holistic solution to this area's problems &, indeed, for the whole of Kenilworth.

These current proposals need to be considered in conjunction with the potential upgrading/improvements to St John's gyratory. We have been told that this includes a traffic light solution. To further help the safety of drivers & pedestrians in this area it is essential that footpaths are improved & street lighting should be extended to the proposed entrance to the rugby club. Perhaps Bovis by way of their 106 Agreement could contribute through the 'CIL' monies.

Finally, we would query why the consultation time in connection with these proposals is so limited, & why have local residents not been updated on a regular basis about these plans? It must be noted that any traffic issues concerning Warwick Road will impact greatly on those living in Warwick Road, Rouncil Lane & surrounding streets & their concerns must be heard.

#### 5. Iain Harper - Local Resident

Objections to speed humps  $\bigcirc$  OFFICIAL

From: iain harper <iainharper@mail.com>

Sent: 22 September 2023 13:50

To: County Highways Minor Works <chminorworks@warwickshire.gov.uk>

Subject: Objections to speed humps

I object to the provision of 8 sets of speed humps as part of the proposal outlined in the order outlined by the S90A Highways Act 1980 - Road Humps Warwick Road Kenilworth proposals on the following grounds:-

- 1. The increase in pollution arising from vehicles slowing and accelerating because of the road humps.
- 2. The potential structural damage to adjacent properties arising from, in particular, buses and HGV traffic crossing the road humps.

There should be an investigation into using alternative traffic calming measures such as coloring the road with a reinforcement of the 30mph limit and other measures that have been successfully used in other areas.

lain Harper 25 Park Hill Kenilworth CV82JG

#### 6. Chris Torbe - Local Resident

S90A Highways Act 1980- Road Humps, Warwick Road, Kenilworth OFFICIAL

From: Chris Torbe <cdst82@yahoo.co.uk>

Sent: 22 September 2023 16:44

To: County Highways Minor Works <chminorworks@warwickshire.gov.uk> Subject: S90A Highways Act 1980- Road Humps, Warwick Road, Kenilworth

Dear Sir,

I object to the installation of all the road humps that you are proposing in the above.

- 1. Given the amount of disruption caused by roadworks and traffic lights in and around Kenilworth please do not add to it by yet more road works on Warwick Road, simply install a speed camera which will be much cheaper and raise revenue with the added bonus that only those **not** living on Warwick Road will be unaware of its location.
- The council does not have a good record of installing road humps as illustrated by the costs incurred following several attempts at getting it right in Leyes Lane.
- 3. The humps themselves damage a car's suspension if frequently encountered which will be our case as we live on Warwick Road and have two cars which go out every day.
- 4. My wife's car has low ground clearance so please be advised that if it is damaged by the height of these humps we will have no hesitation in suing the council.

Yours faithfully,

Christopher Torbe 253, Warwick Road, Kenilworth, Warwickshire. CV8 1FB

## 7. Sylvia Winn - Local Resident

speed bumps Warwick Road





Dear Sir,

Not a subscriber to social media, I realise I am beginning to lag in hearing the latest news.

I wonder who came to the decision of placing speed cushions, bumps or whatever the latest fandangle name for raised obstacles in a busy through road is called. Wouldn't it make more sense and money to put more signs or a speed camera (that works) along the Warwick Rd where I understand the taxpayers money has been spent on a "safety" scheme to place said cushions.

Those of us that use that stretch of road,have always used that stretch of road and will always need to use that stretch of road are only too well aware of the new estate built by the cricket ground and the safety issues it raises. Kenilworth residents are being "penned in" by all the new housing constructions at the moment. What we don't want is for the vehicles we drive to have the suspension destroyed on our cars for the sake of the minority who will not pay heed to any of your obstacles and will instead sue the council for damages that the speed bumps cause.

I don't drive a fancy car, I don't need a 4gmast at the end of my road, I'm not much interested in the oneway system that causes me to now have to drive half way around Kenilworth to get home up because some eejit has decided I can no longer turn right or left onto the main road. I see no reduction in speed to 20mph down the main Warwick road, traffic lights,road signs speed bumps or otherwise.....you'd probably be better investing in paying somebody to walk up and down the main street waving their arms around to indicate where the latest traffic direction and speed of traffic should be. Those that aren't going to abide by the rules will never abide by the rules no matter how many you put in place to make the rest of our lives miserable.

Please reconsider the speed bump thing...as a nurse at the local hospital I am getting so sick of all the new fandangled council ideas ,i may need admitting, as a patient ,myself....as there are no funds left to run the hospital properly....that may not be such a good idea either.

Yours faithfully,

Sylvia Winn