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Subject: 20mph speed limit

Good afternoon

I was hoping to get a 20mph speed limit installed on Old Winton Road.

I have looked at applying, the price for the survey is £175. It suggests speaking to the town council to get them to apply. The road is single carriageway due to parked cars. Some people are driving incredibly fast and it is a danger to the residents, children, our pets and wildlife. It sadly won't be long until there is a serious accident. Support is high in the area, with many people voicing concerns on the Old Winton Road Facebook page. We have personally nearly been hit on a number of occasions by people speeding past us whilst unloading our baby. I also sadly found a dead hedgehog recently which could have easily been avoided with a 20mph limit.

I am happy to fill in all the relevant paper work, but was hoping for support from the town council.

If you think I should speak to someone specific, please give my details.

Thanks

Alex

Guidance notes for the process of a speed limit reduction.

To get a 30mph road changed to 20mph, you must:

contact your local authority to submit a request, which will then go through a formal process involving a public consultation and assessment. You can build support by getting your local council or community council to endorse the change and by gathering support from residents.

1. Contact your local authority

- Find out which local council is responsible for roads in your area and contact their transport or highways department.
- You can request a speed limit change through their website or by contacting them directly.

2. Advocate for the change

- Encourage your local town or parish council to support the new speed limit. An endorsement from them is often required for a scheme to be eligible.
- Liaise with your local County Councillor, who also needs to support the initiative.
- Talk to other residents and local groups, such as the organization 20's Plenty for Us, to build community support.

3. Prepare for the formal process

- The change will require a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to be put in place, which is a multi-step legal process that can take several months.
- As part of this process, there will be a public consultation where you and others can provide feedback and show support or objections.
- Be ready to provide a strong justification for the change, focusing on factors like pedestrian safety, proximity to schools, and high-density housing.

A Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) is

a legal document that gives local authorities the power to manage road use by restricting or prohibiting certain activities on the highway, such as implementing parking restrictions, speed limits, and road closures. These orders are created under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and are used to improve road safety, manage traffic flow, and allow for necessary roadworks.

- **Legal basis:** TROs are established through the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.
- **Purpose:** They are used to manage the highway network for the benefit of all users, improve road safety, prevent danger, and facilitate road maintenance and utility work.
- **Examples:** Common examples of what a TRO can do include creating parking bays, setting speed limits, and temporarily closing roads for events or construction.

- **Temporary orders:** Temporary orders can be made for up to 18 months or until roadworks are completed, whichever is sooner.
- **Objections:** Any person can object to a TRO, and the relevant authority must consider these objections before making the final decision.

Common uses of TROs

- **Speed limits:** Establishing a legal speed limit for a road.
- **Parking and waiting restrictions:** Defining where and when parking is permitted or restricted.
- **One-way streets:** Designating a street for traffic flow in only one direction.
- **Prohibited movements:** Banning certain manoeuvres, such as left or right turns, at junctions.
- **Weight limits:** Restricting vehicle weight on specific roads or bridges to prevent damage.
- **Road closures:** Temporarily closing roads for events or roadwork.

How they are implemented

- **Proposal and consultation:**

A local authority proposes a TRO for reasons outlined in legislation, such as improving road safety or facilitating maintenance.

- **Public notification:**

  The proposed TRO is advertised, and the public can object to or support it.

- **Decision:**

  The authority considers all objections before deciding whether to make the order.

- **Enforcement:**

  Once made, the restrictions are enforced via road signs. Enforcement can lead to penalties for non-compliance.