



Report to Buckingham & Villages Community Board

Date:	29/09/2021
Title:	Speed Limit Reduction - Tingewick Road, Buckingham
Relevant councillor(s):	Caroline Cornell, Patrick Feeley, Robin Stutchbury
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Ward(s) affected:	Buckingham West
Recommendations:	Statutory Consultation to be undertaken.

1. Summary

- 1.1 Buckinghamshire Council have received a petition requesting a speed limit reduction to 30mph on the Tingewick Road, Buckingham. This response sets out the considerations made by Buckinghamshire Council in preparing its advice.

2. Background information

- 2.1 The Tingewick Road is a single carriageway road in both directions heading west out of the town of Buckingham. The section concerned with this petition is currently subject to a 50 mph speed limit, and extends from a point just west of the entrance to Tingewick Road Industrial Park, and travels a distance of approximately 730 m west to the roundabout with the A421 Buckingham Ring Road.
- 2.2 This section of Tingewick Road is currently subject to a 50 mph limit. Two new housing developments are being constructed either side of Tingewick Road which will change the road environment. There are two access road to the St Rumbolds housing development on the southern side of Tingewick Road and another development planned to the northern side.
- 2.3 As part of the planning application for the developments on Tingewick Road, the speed limit was to be reduced to 30 mph due to the change of use and road

environment. The new housing developments will bring increased vehicular traffic and pedestrian activity.

- 2.4 It has been noted from a recent site visit that two pedestrian refuges have been constructed near to the St Rumbolds housing development which appear to be open for public use despite Tingewick Road retaining its current 50 mph limit.
- 2.5 In evaluating the road for a lower speed limit, Buckinghamshire Council must consider relevant guidance. Requests for speed limit changes can only be formally consulted upon and implemented if they comply with the National Guidance on setting speed limits as set out in Department for Transport Circular 01/2013 'Setting local Speed Limits'.

Requests for speed limit changes must also be supported by the local community, and it is evident from this petition that support is available.

- 2.6 In view of the above, I'm please to advise a statutory consultation is due to commence in mid October 2021 and the publics views will be considered in relation to lowering the speed limit on Tingewick Road to 30 mph.
- 2.7 The consultation will run for 4 weeks. Once the consultation has concluded Buckinghamshire Council will review the findings and a final decision will be published.

3. Other options considered

- 3.1 None identified.

4. Legal and financial implications

- 4.1 None identified.

5. Corporate implications

- a) None identified

6. Local councillors & community boards consultation & views

- 6.1 N/A

7. Communication, engagement & further consultation

- 7.1 N/A.

8. Next steps and review

8.1 N/A

9. Background papers

Buckinghamshire Council follow Department of Transport Guidance when setting local speed limits. A copy of this guidance can be found at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/setting-local-speed-limits/setting-local-speed-limits>

10. Your questions and views (for key decisions)

10.1 N/A

