

# Officer Decision Report

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**Title:** Cuddington Traffic Calming / Build-out – Extension of the existing 30 mph Speed Limit and Reduction in the existing 50mph Speed limit

**Date decision taken:**

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**Local Members Affected** (Stone and Waddesdon) Councillor Paul Irwin Councillor Chris Adams, Councillor Andrew Huxley, Councillor Ashley Waite, Councillor Judy Brandis, Councillor Brian Foster, Councillor David Lyons

## Decision

Approval to proceed to Statutory Consultation and advertise permanent traffic regulation orders for change to speed limit and consultation on traffic calming build-out.

## Reasons for the decision

1. Proposing a new build-out as traffic calming feature on Aylesbury Road, Cuddington. There is insufficient space to provide build-out within the existing 30mph limit in order to provide a speed reducing feature before car enter built-up area. Refer to Appendix A for Build-out design plan.
2. Extension of the existing 30mph speed limit area and reduction in the existing 50mph on Aylesbury Road, Cuddington. Refer to Appendix B for speed limit consultation plan.
3. All Local Unitary Members have been informed of the above proposals.
4. The scheme is promoted and funded by Cuddington Parish Council.
5. Councillor David Lyons has queried the proposals with a view to potentially reduce the existing speed limit to 20mph within Cuddington village. However, the actual speeds documented in the 2018 Cuddington Traffic Calming Feasibility Study would not support the implementation of a 20mph speed limit without further measures to reduce the speed limit, such as the proposed build-out. Therefore it is recommended to continue with the build-out, and the parish council can review afterwards whether to pursue further consideration of a 20mph limit.

**Authority to take this decision**

Council scheme of delegation July 2015, TEE 3e.

**Other options available, and their pros and cons**

Following a feasibility study, the parish agreed the build-out on Aylesbury Road would provide the most effective traffic calming option through physical measures. Alternative such as signs and lines would not have the same effect on traffic speeds.

The proposed site for the build-out provide the optimum location for providing speed reduction prior to the village; however location is outside the existing 30mph limit. The 30mph limit is recommended to reduce vehicle speeds prior to the give-way arrangement at the build-out.

**Conflicts of interest**

None

**Feedback from Consultation**

No consultation has been carried out at this stage other than discussion with parish council and members. Statutory Consultation will form part of the Traffic Regulation Order making process for speed limit change and the proposed traffic calming feature.

**Background papers**

None

**Other**

Statement of reasons:

*Extension of the existing 30mph Speed Limit and Reduction in the existing 50mph Speed Limit, Under Section 1(1) of the **Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984** the specified reasons for considering this change are:-*


- 1. For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
- 2. For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

Introducing a build-out at this specific location as a part of traffic calming scheme within Cuddington.

- Appendix A – Build-out Design Plan
- Appendix B – Speed Limit Consultation Plan

**Your questions and views**

*If you have any questions about the matters contained in this paper please get in touch with the Contact Officer whose email address is given at the head of the paper.*

**Approval Signature**.....

**Jayne Dando**  
Acting Head of Highways

**Date**..... 2nd June 2020