



Report to Leader (Transport portfolio)

Decision Date: 17 July 2020

Reference number: TR06.20

Title: Dollicott & Adjacent roads, Haddenham – 20 mph Speed Limit

Relevant councillor(s): Cllr Clive Harriss, Cllr Michael Rand, Cllr David Lyons, Cllr Brian Foster & Cllr Judy Brandis

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Ward(s) affected: Bernwood

Recommendations:

It is recommended that:

- a. **The Cabinet Member authorises the making of the Traffic Regulation Order, as set out in this report for the Dollicott 20 mph speed limit & to its adjacent side roads, as advertised during the Statutory Consultation process.**
- b. **That responders to the Statutory Consultation be informed of the Decision.**

Reason for decision:

Transport for Buckinghamshire was commissioned by Buckinghamshire Council to undertake a statutory consultation for a proposed 20 mph speed limit on Dollicott, Haddenham and its adjoining side roads. The scheme forms part of a Section 106 agreement following a new housing development and this is to mitigate the speed of additional traffic along this road.

Content of report

- 1 Buckinghamshire Council is responsible for the highway network within its boundary; this includes the provision, management and installation of the proposed speed limits. Thames Valley Police are responsible for carrying out enforcement of speed limits.
- 2 The proposed 20 mph speed limit was advertised and promoted locally through a statutory consultation process carried out between 18th December 2019 and 24th

January 2020. In accordance with the requirements of the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996. The Police, Fire & Rescue and the Ambulance Services were included in the consultation.

Other options considered

- 1 Keeping the existing speed limits as they are, this will not achieve the desired aim of making these residential roads a 20 mph speed limit.

Legal and financial implications

- 1 Section 122 of The Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 places a duty on Buckinghamshire Council as the Traffic Authority to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians).
- 2 When the decision is taken and recommendations agreed, the respondees to the consultation and persons likely to be affected will be informed of the decision made and representations considered.

Corporate implications

- Property

None identified.

- Equality

Equality and Diversity Issues – Equality Act 2010. This proposal will not have any disproportionate effect upon people with protected characteristics. The scheme will introduce a 20 mph speed limit on Dollicott and its adjoining side roads. This will encourage drivers to reduce their speeds as they drive on these residential roads.

- Value for money

The sign installation work will be tendered and carried out by an approved sub-contractor on behalf of Transport for Buckinghamshire.

Road markings will be tendered and carried out by an approved sub-contractor working on behalf of Transport for Buckinghamshire.

Consultation and communication

- 1 A period of statutory consultation was undertaken between 18th December 2019 and 24th January 2020.
- 2 We invited comments from the new ward members for the Bernwood area after Buckinghamshire Council was formed – they were invited to give comments between 6th May and 13th May. The ward members which returned comments are included below with the Key Stakeholders.
- 3 The full written responses to the statutory consultation are contained in Appendix A, these have been reviewed and considered against the Statement of Reasons.
47 people responded to the Statutory Consultation for the proposed 20 mph speed limit on a whole
 - 43 (91%) supported the introduction of a 20 mph speed limit
 - 4 (9%) opposed the introduction of a 20 mph speed limit
- 4 **Councillor Clive Harriss and Haddenham Parish Council** both support the Scheme.
Councillor Judy Brandis: This one is really necessary as there is a very bad, narrow corner very close to a listed building. I hope these will all be done as soon as is possible.
Councillor David Lyons: I support the proposals, though they do not go far enough to address the community's desire for a general 20mph limit in the village as expressed in the approved neighbourhood plan.
It is stated that the proposals will not have a disproportionate effect on those with disabilities. Whilst this is stating the blindingly obvious (and necessary to confirm compliance with the act), it might be more useful to state that it will considerably improve the environment and accessibility for those with disabilities and the elderly as crossing the road will become easier.
Councillor Michael Rand: has no comments regarding the proposal.
Thames Valley Police: have no objection to this proposal.
- 5 The private road of Platers Road which was advertised during Statutory Consultation will be amended for the Traffic Regulation Order. The road will only have the 20 mph speed limit introduced to the publically maintained section of the highway. The amended plan can be found in Appendix D.

Communication

All consultees and responders to the consultation will be contacted by either e-mail or letter and will be informed of the decision and where they can find the details of the statutory consultation and the decision taken. This report will be published on the Buckinghamshire Councils web page.

Next steps and review

- 1 Following a decision on this report, the implementation of the scheme will be in Summer 2020.
- 2 No further reviews have been planned for this road.

Background Papers

None

Appendices to the Report:

Appendix A: Summary of Objections & Feedback & Responses to Statutory Consultation

Appendix B: Proposed 20 mph Speed Limit – TEE19033-100-DWG-001 rev1

Appendix C: Statement of Reasons, Notices & Traffic Regulation Order

Appendix D: Amended plan of Dollicott Speed Limit - TEE19033-100-DWG-001 rev2

Your questions and views (for key decisions)

If you have any questions about the matters contained in this report please get in touch with the author of this report. If you have any views that you would like the cabinet member to consider please inform the democratic services team. This can be done by telephone 01296 382343 or email democracy@buckinghamshire.gov.uk