



## Open Report on behalf of Andy Gutherson, Executive Director of Place

Report to:	<b>Planning and Regulation Committee</b>
Date:	<b>15 February 2021</b>
Subject:	<b>A153, Greylees - Proposed 30mph speed limit</b>

### Summary:

This report considers a request from a local resident for the introduction of a reduced speed limit on the A153 Greylees. Investigations have indicated that this site may be considered a 'Borderline Case', as defined within the Council's Speed Limit Policy.

### Recommendation(s):

The Committee approves the proposed speed limit so that the necessary consultation process to bring it into effect may be pursued.

### Background

The County Council's Speed Limit Policy provides a means by which requests for speed limits can be assessed consistently throughout the county. The criteria by which a speed limit may be justified within a village location is based on the number of units of development along a road and the level of limit is determined by the mean speed of traffic travelling along it.

However, having carried out an assessment, a Borderline Case may be identified and is defined within the policy at 4.2 as follows:

*4.2 At locations where the mean speed data falls within +/- 3mph of Table 3 (Mean Speeds), then this is classed as a Borderline Case.*

Where the above applies a report will be submitted to the Planning and Regulation Committee for consideration.

A 50mph speed limit is currently in force at this location as shown at Appendix A and a speed survey measured a mean speed of 35mph at the location highlighted. This lies within 3 mph of the level required to justify a 30mph speed limit, as specified in Table 3 from the policy:

**Table 3**

Mean Speed	Limit
< 33 mph	30 mph
33 – 43 mph	40 mph
>43 mph	50 mph

This can therefore be considered as a Borderline Case and the Committee may approve the initiation of the speed limit order process to reduce the current 50mph speed limit to 30mph. A plan indicating the extent of the 30mph limit suggested is shown at Appendix B. There have been four 'slight' reported injury accidents within this area during the last five years.

### **Conclusion**

Under the normal criteria set out in the speed limit policy this location would qualify for 40mph speed limit. However as a borderline case the Planning and Regulation Committee may approve a departure from the criteria where appropriate and approve a reduction to a 30mph limit at this location.

### **Consultation**

Consultation not required at this stage.

#### **a) Risks and Impact Analysis**

None carried out

### **Appendices**

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Site location and existing conditions
Appendix B	Proposed 30mph speed limit

### **Background Papers**

The following background papers as defined in the Local Government Act 1972 were relied upon in the writing of this report.

Document title	Where the document can be viewed
Speed survey result	Upon request

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