



SPEED LIMIT PRIORITISATION 2007/2008

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL COMMITTEE (GUILDFORD)

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KEY ISSUE

This report documents progress on the Speed Limit programme over the past year, and recommends a number of newly identified proposals for addition to the programme.

SUMMARY

The Transportation Task Group met on 30 January 2007, to consider new speed limit requests and the prioritisation of speed limits for the financial year 2007/08. This report details the Task Group's recommendations and puts forward a list of speed limits to be assessed and/or implemented next year.

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COUNTY ELECTORAL DIVISION(S)

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OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is asked to agree:

- (i) that the updated Speed Limit programme shown in **TABLE 1** be approved and Officers be authorised to progress the assessment and implementation of these during the 2007/2008 financial year, subject to the level of funding available and to their meeting the requirements of the County Council's Speed Management Policy.
- (ii) that where appropriate, Parish Councils or others be invited to consider making a financial contribution towards these schemes.
- (iii) that the intention of the County Council to make the necessary speed limit orders be advertised and that if no objections are maintained, the various orders be made.

INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1 The Transportation Task Group meets annually to consider progress made in the programme of speed limit assessments and implementations since the previous year. The Task Group also considers new requests for speed assessments, and decides whether or not these should be recommended to the Committee for inclusion in the programme. The Task Group met on 30 January 2007, and this report sets out its recommendations.

PROGRESS ACHIEVED SINCE LAST YEAR

- 2 The Local Committee (Guildford), at its meeting on 9 February 2006, approved the 2006/2007 Speed Limit programme for investigation and, subject to meeting the Speed Limit Management Policy and to funding being made available, implementation. **TABLE 1** lists these and the action taken since last year.

NEW REQUESTS FOR SPEED LIMITS

- 3 During the last year, there have been 7 new speed limit requests. These requests were considered by the Transportation Task Group. **TABLE 2** shows the location of the requests and the Task Group's recommendations. This list is prioritised on the basis of the record of personal injury accidents (PIAs), and particularly those that were speed related.
- 4 It is recommended that the revised programme should now comprise those Speed Limits listed in **TABLES 1 & 2**. These will be investigated and, subject again to meeting the speed limit policy and to funds being made available, implemented.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5 The typical cost of implementing one site is some £6,000, including legal, advertising and staff costs, plus the costs of signage. Detailed costs will not be known until each scheme has been assessed. Funding of these proposals will be from the LTP allocation to Guildford.

- 6 In the past, a number of Parish Councils have expressed willingness to contribute financially to the progression of speed limits in their areas. This is welcomed, and approval is therefore recommended for Officers to seek further such contributions where opportunities arise.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS

- 7 The implementation of schemes on the Speed Limit Priority list will have a positive impact on the environment and on safety by addressing speed related accidents and perception about safety in the communities concerned.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS:	TASK GROUP REPORTS: Speed Limit update 2006/07 New Speed Limit Requests

TABLE 1: PROGRESS ON SPEED LIMIT ASSESSMENTS DURING 2006/07

No	Location	Existing	Requested Speed	PIAs	Update
1	Beech Ave., Effingham	60	30	2(0)	Implemented in February
2	New Pond Road, Compton	60	40	16(9)	Advertised one objection received
3	Ockham Village	40mph	30mph	4(2)	Assessment to be carried out
4	A324 Aldershott Rd, Pirbright	50mph	40mph	8(1)	Assessment to be carried out
5	Ash Road, Pirbright	Derestricted	40mph	1(1)	Assessment to be carried out
6	Effingham Common Road, Effingham	50mph	40mph	2(0)	Assessment to be carried out
7	Paper Court La, Ripley	Derestricted	40mph	0(0)	Assessment carried out. Informal consultation stage. To be advertised in April
8	Tannery Lane, Send	Derestricted	40mph	1(0)	Assessment carried out. Informal consultation stage. To be advertised in April

Notes: Figures in brackets denote speed related accidents.

TABLE 2: NEW REQUESTS FOR SPEED LIMITS RECEIVED OVER PAST 12 MONTHS

No	Location	Existing Limit	Requested Limit	PIAs	Task Group Recommendation
1	The Avenue, Compton	Derestricted	30mph	0(0)	Not agreed to be included into assessment list
2	C119 Old Hog's Back (also known Guildford Rd old A31)	Derestricted	40mph	4(1)	Not agreed to be included into assessment list
3	Newark La/Wentworth Close /High St	30mph	20mph	0(0)	Not agreed to be included into assessment list
4	Green Dene, Effingham	Derestricted	30mph	1(0)	Not agreed to be included into assessment list
5	Guilleshill Lane, Ockham	Derestricted	30/40/50mph	0(0)	Not agreed to be included into assessment list
6	Stanley Hill, Pirbright	Derestricted	30/40/50mph	1(0)	Not agreed to be included into assessment list
7	The Street, Tongham	30mph	40mph	4(1)	Not agreed to be included into assessment list

Notes: Accident data analysis from 01/10/2003 to 30/09/2006.
Figures in brackets denote speed related accidents.