

SPEED LIMIT PRIORITISATION 2008/2009

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL COMMITTEE (GUILDFORD)

13th DECEMBER 2007

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 26 November 2007, to consider new speed limit requests and the prioritisation of speed limits for the financial year 2008/09. 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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LOCAL HIGHWAYS MANAGER	N/A
GUILDFORD B.C. WARD(S)	COUNTY ELECTORAL DIVISION(S)
ALL	ALL

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is asked to agree:

- (i) that the updated Speed Limit programme shown in ANNEXES A & B be approved and Officers be authorised to progress the assessment and implementation of these during the 2008/2009 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 limits 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 26 November 2007, and this report sets out its recommendations.

PROGRESS ACHIEVED SINCE LAST YEAR

2 The Local Committee (Guildford), at its meeting on 22nd March 2007, approved the 2007/2008 Speed Limit programme for investigation and, subject to meeting the Speed Limit Management Policy and to funding being made available, implementation. **ANNEXE A** lists these and the action taken since last year.

NEW REQUESTS FOR SPEED LIMITS

- 3 During the last year, there have been 5 new speed limit requests. These requests were considered by the Transportation Task Group. **ANNEXE B** 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 **ANNEXES A & B**. These will be investigated and, subject again to meeting the speed limit policy and to funds being made available, implemented.

FINANCIAL & VALUE FOR MONEY 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.

OPTIONS

8 The Committee may choose to accept or reject any of the recommendations of its Transportation Task Group.

CONSULTATIONS

9 All proposed speed limits will be subject to appropriate consultation and formal advertisement as they are developed.

EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

10 This report has no implications for equality and diversity.

CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

11 This report has no implications for crime and disorder (but see 7 above).

CONCLUSIONS AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

12 This report sets out the officer and task group recommendations for schemes to be included in the speed limits programme.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

13 A report will be brought, probably to the next meeting of this Committee, setting out the funding available and recommending which minor schemes and speed limits should proceed in 2008/09.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS:	TASK GROUP REPORTS: Speed Limit update 2007/08; New Speed Limit Requests

PROGRESS ON SPEED LIMIT ASSESSMENTS DURING 2007/08

No	Location	Existing	Requested Speed	PIAs	Update	
1	New Pond Road, Compton	60	40	16(9)	Implemented	
2	Ockham Village	40mph	30mph	4(2)	Statutory Advertised closing date on 07 December	
3	A324 Aldershot Road, Pirbright	50mph	40mph	8(1)	Statutory Advertising in December 2007	
4	Ash Road, Pirbright	Derestricted	40mph	1(1)	Statutory Advertising in December 2007	
5	Effingham Common Road, Effingham	50mph	40mph	2(0)	Objection received from Surrey Police. A report is going to December Committee Meeting for resolution.	
6	Paper Court Lane, Ripley	Derestricted	40mph	0(0)	On hold pending SCC Executive Decision	
7	Tannery Lane, Send	Derestricted	40mph	1(0)	On hold pending SCC Executive Decision	
8	Wodeland Avenue	Derestricted	20mph		Awaiting assessment	

<u>Notes</u>: Figures in brackets denote speed related accidents. PIAs: Personal Injury Accidents.

NEW REQUESTS FOR SPEED LIMITS RECEIVED OVER PAST 12 MONTHS

No	Location	Existing Limit	Requested Limit	PIAs	Officer Recommendations	Task Group Recommendations
1	Green Dene, East Horsley	40	30	3(0)	Not recommended	Task Group DISAGREED
2	A25 Shere Road, Shere	Unrestricted	50	8(0)	Not recommended	Task Group Agreed
3	A246 Guildford Road, Effingham	40/50	30/40	15(1)	Not recommended	Task Group Agreed
4	Dirtham Lane, Effingham	Unrestricted	30	0(0)	Not recommended	Task Group DISAGREED
5	Horsham Road, Holmbury St Mary	Unrestricted	40	0(0)	Not recommended	Task Group Agreed

Notes: Accident data analysis from 01/9/2004 to 31/08/2007. Figures in brackets denote speed related accidents. PIAs: Personal Injury Accidents.