



**SCC LOCAL COMMITTEE IN
SPELTHORNE**

MANOR LANE, SUNBURY

20 FEBRUARY 2006

KEY ISSUE AND SUMMARY:

To report back the outcome of a meeting held between residents and the Local Transportation Manager with an agreed programme to introduce measures to reduce traffic speeds along the western length of Manor Lane, Sunbury.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Committee is asked to agree that

- (i) the residents of Manor Lane, between its junctions with Green Street and The Avenue, and local schools are consulted on proposals to introduce pedestrian refuges, traffic calming and a 20 mph zone to this length of Manor Lane;
- (ii) any objection to the scheme for Manor Lane is determined

by the Local Transportation Manager in consultation with the Chairman, the Electoral Division Member and the Leader of the Borough Council; and

- (iii) the scheme is phased for implementation to enable any early funding that is identified to implement part of the scheme agreed in (ii) above.

1. INTRODUCTION & BACKGROUND

- 1.1 A traffic calming scheme originally programmed for 2005/06 has been delayed to 2007/08 due to reduced funding as reported to the Local Committee in Spelthorne on 21 February 2005.
- 1.2 A speed survey carried out on Manor Lane found the 85th percentile speed to be 36 mph. This is the speed at which 85% of drivers travelled at or within. Surrey Police are supporting a Community Speedwatch scheme along Manor Lane.
- 1.3 A petition received by the Local Transportation Service was reported to the last meeting of this Committee on 12 December 2005. The petition requested urgent implementation of traffic calming measures along Manor Lane, specifically speed cushions, traffic islands and chicanes to reduce traffic speeds.
- 1.4 A proposal to introduce two Variable Message Signs, one in each direction on Manor Lane was reported to the December meeting of this committee. However residents did not consider the signs would resolve the problem of speeding traffic and they set out their concerns in a Question to the Committee. The item on Manor Lane was deferred to this meeting.

2. ANALYSIS AND COMMENTARY

- 2.1 On 24 January a meeting was held between the Local Transportation Manger, five residents and the Deputy Headteacher of St Paul's School. The speed of traffic along Manor Lane, the use of Community Speedwatch there and measures to reduce traffic speeds were discussed.
- 2.2 The primary feature that residents would like to see installed along Manor Lane would be pedestrian refuges, supported by traffic calming and an extension to the 20 mph zone that is in place along the eastern length of Manor Lane. A preliminary proposal was considered as shown at **Annex A**.

- 2.3 It was agreed at the meeting that one way forward would be to consult those residents who would be affected by a traffic calming scheme. Implementation of the agreed scheme could then be phased, should earlier funding be made available. The phasing could be as follows: pedestrian refuge at the school entrance; traffic island near the junction with The Avenue; traffic island near the junction with Green Street; speed cushions; and a 20 mph zone.
- 2.4 School Travel Plans for St Paul's and Chennestone Manor Schools are in place and will be reviewed.

3. CONSULTATIONS

- 3.1 Preliminary discussion has taken place with five residents and the Deputy Headteacher of St Paul's School. Residents who would be directly affected will be consulted on the traffic calming scheme shown at **Annex A**. The Police support measures to reduce traffic speeds along Manor Lane and this is demonstrated by their support for the Community Speedwatch scheme.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The cost of the traffic calming scheme is estimated at £70,000 and is currently programmed for implementation during 2007 / 2008.

5. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no implications

6. CRIME & DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 It is predicted that the speed of vehicles will be reduced and that the majority of drivers would travel within the speed limit.

7. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no implications

8. CONCLUSION & REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 8.1 The speed survey showed that many vehicles exceeded the speed limit by a large margin. This traffic calming proposal would slow drivers' speeds and meet residents' requests and expectations.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS: There is none