

OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (TANDRIDGE)

PROPOSED 30 MPH SPEED LIMITS AT:

C227 WHYTELEAFE HILL (SALMONS LANE TO CHURCH ROAD), WHYTELEAFE; C218 BUXTON LANE / HAYES LANE, WHYTELEAFE; B2030 GODSTONE ROAD (A22 CATERHAM BY-PASS TO TUPWOOD LANE), CATERHAM

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KEY ISSUE

To seek approval to advertise the following 30mph limits, already in operation:

- Whyteleafe Hill between Salmons Lane and Church Road
- Buxton Lane / Hayes Lane (to the County Boundary)
- Godstone Road between A22 Caterham By-pass and Tupwood Lane

SUMMARY

In light of a request from Surrey Police to check the status of speed limits, East Surrey Highways has checked through all speed limits changes for the past 5 years. Following a comprehensive review of all speed limits implemented since 2002, it is necessary that the speed limits contained in this report are advertised retrospectively.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Tandridge) is asked to agree that:

- (i) the 30 mph speed limit present on the length of Whyteleafe Hill between Salmons Lane and Church Road, be advertised.
- (ii) the 30 mph speed limit present on the whole of Buxton Lane and continuing into Hayes Lane up to the County boundary be advertised.
- (iii) the 30 mph speed limit present on the length of Godstone Road between A22 Caterham By-pass and Tupwood Lane, be advertised.
- (iv) that authorisation is given to the East Surrey Highways Group Manager in consultation with the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Local Members to consider and / or resolve any objections to the proposals advertised and that the related Traffic Regulation Orders be 'made'.

1 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Due to operational issues with regard to enforcement, Surrey Police have requested that the legality of certain speed limits be checked. Concerned that certain statutory processes had not been fully carried out, within periods of reorganisation, East Surrey Highways have undertaken a comprehensive review of the introduction of all speed limits implemented since 2002.
- 1.2 A small number of anomalies with respect to the legal Traffic Regulation Orders have been identified across the East of Surrey. In the District of Tandridge, 3 separate lengths of roads will require the advertisement and subsequent making of the Traffic Order. These are:
 - Whyteleafe Hill between Salmons Lane and Church Road (shown at Annexe A)
 - Buxton Lane / Hayes Lane (to the County Boundary)(shown at Annexe B)
 - Godstone Road between A22 Caterham By-pass and Tupwood Lane (shown at Annexe C)
- 1.3 All the above roads are in keeping with the County Councils' policy for the introduction of a 30mph speed limit and have been the subject of previous reports presented to this Committee.

2 CONSULTATIONS

2.1 A statutory consultation exercise must take place as part of the legal process and will precede the making of the Traffic Regulation Order. This consultation will include the emergency services.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY

3.1 The cost associated with the production and publication of the press notice and subsequent Traffic Regulation Order will be in the region of £3000.

4 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no Equality and Diversity implications associated with this report.

5 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no crime and disorder implications associated with this report.

6 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 It is recommended that the existing speed limits be advertised in order that they can be enforced by Surrey Police.

7 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 Surrey Police and Surrey County Council are keen to keep the existing speed limits in place and in order to do so, a Traffic Regulation must be advertised and made.

8 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

- 8.1 If the recommendations are approved by the Local Committee, Surrey County Council's Legal Department will be instructed to progress the Traffic Regulation Order.
- 8.2 If no representations are received during the formal objection period, the Traffic Regulation Orders will be made.

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