

## **CABINET MEMBER DECISION**

### **Decision:**

#### **SPEED LIMIT A245 STOKE ROAD, STOKE D'ABERNON**

**(i) Details of decision**

After careful consideration of the referral from the Environment and Transport Select Committee, requesting that the decision in relation to the speed limit on A245 Stoke Road, Stoke D'Abernon, taken at his meeting on 21 November 2012 be re-considered, together with advice from the Road Safety & Traffic Management Officer, Surrey Police and the Highways officers, he agreed that he would not endorse the reduction from 40mph to 30mph as requested by Elmbridge Local Committee, for the stretch of road between the existing 30mph limit near Leigh Hill Road to a suitable point just east of the Chelsea Football club training ground.

**(ii) Reasons for decision**

A 30mph speed limit does not comply with the Speed Limit Policy and is not supported by the Police.

**(iii) Details of any alternative options considered and rejected**

None

**(iv) Details of any consultation and representations received not included in the published report**

The item was considered in some depth with input from:

Mr Cannon, Road Safety & Traffic Management Officer who reiterated his advice on the speed limit for this section of the A245 in Stoke D'Abernon.

Mr Frank Apicella, Senior Engineer NE Highways Team attended the meeting.

Mr John V C Butcher, local Member for Cobham, who spoke at some length and provided detailed information relating to his concerns on this stretch of the road and the reasons why he considered that the speed limit should be reduced to 30mph (like the A307 Portsmouth Road, Cobham).

Mr Tipping, a member of the public was invited to speak. His key point was the quality of life for the local residents living in the vicinity.

The Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment said that he had listened carefully to statements from Members and witnesses at the Environment and Transport Select Committee, held on 10 December 2012. He understood their concerns but he did not consider that anything had been said either technically or professionally that would change his opinion from his original decision. He said that Surrey County Council's speed limit policy stated that consultation on routes must take place with police and officers and in this case their advice was not to endorse the request to reduce the speed limit on this stretch of road to 30mph and therefore he was not minded to go against their professional advice.

**Conflicts of Interest and any Dispensations Granted**

**(Any conflict of interest declared by any other Cabinet Member consulted in relation to the decision to be recorded and any dispensations granted by the Audit and Governance Committee)**

None

**Decision taken by:**

(i) **Name:** John Furey

(ii) **Portfolio:** Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment Decisions

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