

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 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.

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

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:

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

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CABINET MEMBER DECISION

Decision:

Blackhorse Road Speed Limit Assessment: Referral from Woking Local Committee

(i) Details of decision

- (1) The decision to introduce a 30mph speed limit in Blackhorse Road be not endorsed.
- (2) The recommended outcome proposed by officers be approved.
- (3) The Woking Local Committee be asked to support the proposal to carry out a feasibility and design study to look at targeted safety improvements at the junction with Blackhorse Road and Saunders Lane where the majority of accidents have occurred as part of their 2013/14 ITS programme.

(ii) Reasons for decision

As detailed in the report to Woking Local Committee on 26 September 2012, a 30mph speed limit is considered to be inappropriate for Blackhorse Road, as it is contrary to County Council policy, contrary to the advice of the Police and Highways Officers, and unlikely to result in any public safety benefit. Carrying out a feasibility and design study for safety improvements at the junction where the majority of accidents have occurred is likely to positively address the concerns of Members and local residents.

(iii) Details of any alternative options considered and rejected

None

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

Mr Cannon, Road Safety and Traffic Management Officer from Surrey Police was in attendance and confirmed that he had been consulted on the proposal to reduce the speed limit along Blackhorse Road and confirmed that he was happy to support the officer's recommendation of 'no change'.

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CABINET MEMBER DECISION

Decision:

Bid to Department for Transport Safe Cycling Fund

(i) Details of decision

That the bid to the Department for Transport for safe cycling infrastructure be formally endorsed.

(ii) Reasons for decision

This funding bid supports the corporate priority to tackle levels of cycling casualties. It will directly benefit areas of high cycle casualty rates: Walton-upon-Thames and Leatherhead. It will benefit all road users by segregating cyclists from motorised traffic and will provide economic benefit by making it more possible for more people to cycle, reducing travel costs and congestion, and by improving cycle routes to town centre locations.

(iii) Details of any alternative options considered and rejected

None

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

None

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