



**SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL'S
LOCAL COMMITTEE (TANDRIDGE)**

PUBLIC QUESTION

1 March 2013

On the subject of speeding on the A25 Nutfield, Peter Forbes Secretary of TAG- A25 asks:

A report has previously been submitted to County by the Parish Council referring to road safety issues at the Mid St junction on the A25 in Nutfield where the 30mph limit does not slow vehicles before the junction, making it dangerous for traffic emerging from Mid St and turning right. There is also a problem with vehicles travelling too fast down the narrow Mid St where the speed limit increases from 30mph to 40mph.

Can attention be given to the hazards of vehicles speeding east along the A25 towards the Nutfield Mid St junction and also those vehicles travelling too fast down Mid St towards South Nutfield?

Local Committee response:

A25 Nutfield Road - Junction with Mid Street

The speed limit changes on the A25 Nutfield Road from 50mph to 30mph for eastbound vehicles approximately 175 metres before the junction with Mid Street. The 30mph terminal signs are on yellow backing boards and incorporate a Welcome to Nutfield village sign. There is also a 30mph road marking within a strip of red carriageway surfacing. Central hatching is provided to narrow the traffic lanes to help slow drivers. Approximately 60 metres from the junction with Mid Street there is a Slow road marking, again set within a strip of red carriageway surfacing. Just beyond the junction with Mid Street there is a pedestrian refuge island with keep left

bollards and an illuminated keep left arrow mounted on a post. Advance warning is given of the junction through an advance direction sign approximately 110 metres before the junction.

Analysis of recorded personal injury accidents over the three year period November 2009 to October 2012 shows that there was 1 slight injury accident at the junction of the A25 Nutfield Road and Mid Street. Speed was not recorded by the Police as a possible factor in this accident. Over the same period, there was one slight injury accident on the eastbound approach to the junction involving a vehicle turning right out of Parkwood Road, where speed was a possible causal factor.

The appropriate signing is in place to inform drivers of both the speed limit and the junction ahead. Road markings have been used to assist in slowing down drivers and the pedestrian refuge serves to prevent overtaking in advance of the junction with Mid Street. In view of the level of existing signing and the good accident record at the junction, it is not proposed to provide any additional signing. However, Officers will seek to refresh the red surfacing, subject to funding being made available.

Approaching Nutfield from the west, the speed limit is 50mph from the District boundary with Reigate and Banstead to the start of the village near Parkwood Road. There are no proposals at the present time to lower this speed limit. Approaching Nutfield from the east, the existing 50mph speed limit is currently in the process of being reduced from 50mph to 40mph. It is proposed, therefore, that Officers carry out speed surveys to determine if a speed limit reduction to 40mph on the eastbound (towards Bletchingley) approach to Nutfield would comply with Surrey's speed limit policy. Depending on the results of the survey, a scheme to reduce the speed limit to 40mph could be added to the Integrated Transport Schemes list for future possible funding.

Speed management plans have been compiled for every District and Borough to identify with Police colleagues the sites that need the most enforcement attention to reduce speeds and what can be done to tackle the high priority sites. The 30mph section of the A25 through Nutfield has been included on the Tandridge Speed Management Plan. The Police carry out speed enforcement along this section of the A25 and the speed management plan notes that there is Community Speed Watch active in the area. Officers will bring the particular concerns of the Secretary of TAG 25 to the attention of the Police.

Mid Street

The 40mph speed limit in Mid Street starts approximately 21 metres south of the junction with the A25 and extends southwards to the start of the residential properties in South Nutfield. This section of Mid Street is a country lane with no frontages and is wide enough for a central carriageway marking to be provided. There have been no recorded personal injury accidents in the 40mph section of Mid Street over the 3 year period November 2009 to October 2012. The speed limit complies with Surrey's speed limit policy and so should remain at 40mph.

Only the 30mph section of Mid Street is included on the Tandridge Speed Management Plan. Officers will raise the concerns raised regarding speeds on the 40mph section of the road with the Police and ask that consideration be given for its inclusion on the Speed Management Plan.

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