

SURREY COUNTY COUNCIL



LOCAL COMMITTEE (WAVERLEY)

DATE: 13 MARCH 2020

SUBJECT: PETITION RESPONSE REPORT
- SPEED LIMIT REQUEST
A287 CHURT ROAD

DIVISION: WAVERLEY WESTERN VILLAGES

RECOMMENDATION

The Local Committee is asked to:

- (i) Note the officer response.

REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION:

It would be at the discretion of the Western Villages Divisional Member Cllr David Harmer and this committee to prioritise and fund a scheme as part of the 2020/21 highway works programme.

PETITION DETAILS:

A petition has been received from Mr Malcolm Carter of the Beacon Hill Focus Group which contains 152 signatures and reads:

“We the undersigned petition Surrey County Council to change the speed limit to 30mph on the A287 through Beacon Hill.

We represent the residents of Beacon Hill village. We petition SCC to change the speed limit through the village to 30mph from the current 40mph. This is a village that has bus stops which the aged, disadvantaged and children use as well as access to essential services including the village school. This is the only village between Farnham and Haslemere where traffic is allowed to drive at 40mph through a built-up area. We believe that as more people are cycling or walking that this is required urgently.”

RESPONSE:

The A287 Churt Road forms part of the surrey strategic network which links the towns of Haslemere and Farnham, the A3 to the A31 and M3. A 40 mph speed limit is imposed from Hindhead to Churt village.

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An analysis of the collision data for the A287 Churt Road Beacon Hill shows that there are no recorded injury accidents within the last three years, which does not indicate that a particular safety problem exists along this section of road in terms of a history of poor road safety.

The cost to assess and lower the speed limit on the A287 Churt Road would be in the region of £10,000 - £15,000, providing that it meets the criteria set out in the Surrey County Council policy for 'Setting Local Speed Limits' which can be found on the county council website.

Officers have requested a basic speed survey is undertaken near the junction of Wood Road. The data should be available mid March.

It would be at the discretion of the Western Villages Divisional Member Cllr David Harmer and this committee to prioritise and fund this scheme as part of the 2020/21 highway works programme.

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