

Record of officer decision

Decision title:	Consolidation of Wellington and Auberrow Speed Limit Orders
Date of decision:	10 February 2021
Decision maker:	Acting Assistant Director Highways & Transport / Head of Infrastructure Delivery
Authority for delegated decision:	<p>Directorate scheme of delegation: updated 1 December 2020 Directorate: Economy and Place, section 75.</p> <p>To act on behalf of the council in respect of the legislation specified in the foregoing:</p> <p>Traffic Management Act 2004, Road Traffic Act 1988, Cycle Tracks Act 1984, Highways Act 1980, National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act 1948, New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, Town and Country Planning Act 1990, Town Police Clauses Act 1847, Traffic Calming Act 1992 Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981</p>
Ward:	Queenswood
Consultation:	<p>As this is a Consolidation Order, no further consultation is required as there is no material change to the original order schedules to be consolidated.</p> <p>A formal consultation process has been undertaken for the original orders which produced no objections.</p>
Decision made:	<p>A new Consolidation Order titled: “Herefordshire Council (Various Roads Wellington and Auberrow) (Speed Limit) Consolidation Order 2020” will be introduced the effect of which will be;</p> <p>To introduce a 30mph ‘Restricted Road’ speed limit on the following stretches of road;</p> <p>C1108 Village Street from its junction with C1109 The Row to a point 125 metres east of its junction with U72661 Church Close.</p> <p>U72628 Bridge Lane from its junction with C1108 Village Street to a point 98 metres north west of its junction with C1108 Village Street.</p> <p>U72645 Queenswood Close from its junction with C1108 Village Street for its entire length.</p> <p>U72632 Auberrow Road from its junction with C1108 Village Street to a point 42 metres south of its junction with C1108 Village Street.</p> <p>U72648 Dernside Close from its junction with C1108 Village Street for its entire length</p> <p>U72629 Brookside from its junction with C1108 Village Street for its entire length.</p>

U72651 from its junction with C1108 Village Street for its entire length.

U72630 Mill Lane from its junction with C1108 Village Street to a point 32 metres south of its junction with U72631 Millway.

U72631 Millway from its junction with U72630 for its entire length.

C1109 The Row from its junction with C1108 Village street to a point 48 metres south of its junction with C1108 Village Street.

To introduce a 30mph speed limit (under section 84 RTRA 1984) on the following stretches of road.

U72660 from its junction with C1108 Village street for its entire length.

U72661 Church Close from its junction with C1108 Village street for its entire length.

U72627 Ford Lane from its junction with C1108 Village Street to a point 75 metres north of its junction with C1108 Village Street.

U72632 Auberrow Road from a point 42 metres south of its junction with C1108 Village Street to a point 54 metres north east of its junction with C1109 The Row

U72633 Auberrow Marsh from its junction with U72632 Auberrow Road for its entire length.

U72662 Parsonage Fields from its junction with U72632 Auberrow Road for its entire length

U72628 Bridge Lane from a point 98 metres north of its junction with C1108 Village Street to a point 274 metres north of its junction with C1108 Village Street.

U72654 Watermill from its junction with U72630 Mill Lane for its entire length.

U72630 Mill Lane from a point 32 metres south of its junction with U72631 Millway to a point 107 metres north of its junction with U72631.

C1108 from its junction with C1109 The Row to a point 10 metres west of its junction with C1109 The Row.

C1109 The Row from a point 48 metres south east of its junction with C1108 Village Street to a point 453 metres south east of its junction with C1108 Village Street.

The following orders are to be revoked;

HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS WELLINGTON AND AUBERROW) (RESTRICTED ROAD SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2020

HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS WELLINGTON AND AUBERROW) (30MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2020

Reasons for decision:

To approve the recommendation to implement a Consolidation Order covering the existing speed limits at Wellington and Auberrow, the effect

	<p>of which will be to correct a minor error in the road number given for Auberrow Road in the schedule in the existing speed limit Orders</p> <p>A plan of the proposals, which remain unchanged, is included as Appendix A.</p> <p>The original Assistant Director's report that contains the error was approved in September 2019 is included in Appendix B for reference. The road number error is highlighted in red and the amended schedule to correct this error is detailed in Recommendations below.</p>
<p>Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:</p>	<p>Community Impact</p> <p>The recommendation to consolidate the two existing speed limit orders for Wellington and Auberrow will result in the entirety of the existing village speed limit order being legally enforceable.</p> <p>Environmental Impact</p> <p>Herefordshire Council provides and purchases a wide range of services for the people of Herefordshire. Together with partner organisations in the private, public, and voluntary sectors we share a strong commitment to improving our environmental sustainability, achieving carbon neutrality and to protect and enhance Herefordshire's outstanding natural environment.</p> <p>The development of this project will seek to minimise any adverse environmental impact and will actively seek opportunities to improve and enhance environmental performance.</p> <p>The adoption of the proposed 30mph speed limit should result in reduced vehicle speeds and reduced vehicle emissions and provide an environment where people feel it is safe to walk, cycle or ride.</p> <p>Equality Duty</p> <p>The recommendation to implement a new village speed restriction will impact all of society equally. Thus, the restrictions pay regard to the council's duty to the Equality Act 2010 as set out below. Under section 149 of the Equality Act 2010, the 'general duty' on public authorities is set out as follows:</p> <p>A public authority must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under this Act; (b) advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it; (c) foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it. <p>See Appendix E of the original Assistant Director's report for Equality Impacts and Needs Assessment (EINA).</p> <p>Resource Implications</p> <p>Budgets for changes to speed limits are managed by Balfour Beatty Living Places on behalf of Herefordshire Council. There will be no cost to the Authority in connection with the rectification of the error.</p> <p>Legal Implications</p> <p>The Traffic Regulation Order will be consolidated under Regulation 21 of the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedures) (England and</p>

	<p>Wales) Regulations 1996. The introduction of a new consolidation order under Section 82 & 84 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 will be required.</p> <p>Risk Management</p> <p>The Local Transport Plan sets out the objective to reduce the number and severity of casualties on the highway network in Herefordshire and provide a highway network that is safe and efficient taking into account national guidelines. A Key Performance Indicator is contained in this Local Transport Plan and details a locally set target for a reduction in people who are killed or seriously injured on the highway network. The adoption of the recommendations in this report would contribute to these objectives in the Local Transport Plan.</p> <p>It is important for safety and their effectiveness that speed restrictions are imposed appropriately having regard to the type of factors considered in this report. Imposing speed restrictions inappropriately could result in frequent contraventions to the signed limit that would not be enforced regularly enough by the Police to prevent them from being of benefit and in extreme circumstances make the road more dangerous as drivers become frustrated and take more risks.</p>
<p>Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:</p>	<p>Do nothing - the speed limit on U72632 Auberrow Road remains unlawful – In effect, any speeding vehicles on this section of highway could not be prosecuted as a result of not amending the error through a Consolidation Order.</p>
<p>Details of any declarations of interest made:</p>	

I am an officer delegated to make the decision

Signed:

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