

Report to the Cabinet

Meeting to be held on Thursday, 8 September 2022

Report of the Head of Service - Design and Construction

Part I

Electoral Division affected:
Wyre Rural Central

Corporate Priorities:
Delivering better services;

Preesall Road Safety Improvements

(Appendices 'A' and 'B' refer)

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Brief Summary

As part of S106 planning conditions for the housing development of Willows Close adjoining Rosslyn Avenue, it is proposed to reduce the speed limit on Rosslyn Avenue and its side roads to 20mph.

This report summarises the results of the formal advertising of the proposed speed limit order to which objections have been received.

Recommendation

Cabinet is asked to approve the introduction of the 20mph speed limit order, as shown in Appendix 'A'.

Detail

The Section 106 planning conditions for the housing development of Willows Close have allocated the funds for a speed limit reduction on Rosslyn Avenue and its side roads.

The 20mph speed limit order is proposed in these locations (Appendix 'A' refers) to increase safety for pedestrians and cyclists in the area, including children travelling to a nursery school in the local vicinity, and is recommended after considering



highway safety, current guidance and recommendations, and the needs of other road users and residents.

If approved, the speed limit order would see the installation of regulatory speed limit signage.

Consultations

A formal advertising process was undertaken in November 2021.

The Lancashire Constabulary has been consulted and has raised no objections.

Two objections have been raised and these are summarised below along with our responses.

Objections

- a. There is a concern that the carriageway surfacing is of an unsafe standard.
- b. Visibility and access at the Rosslyn Avenue and Pilling Lane junction are poor.

Responses

- a. Resurfacing the carriageway cannot be funded through the Section 106 works as the Section 106 Agreement allows no provision for this. The proposed 20mph speed limit is to prevent vehicles travelling at unsafe speeds and is still necessary to increase safety in this location. Reduced traffic speed would lessen the impact to the road condition by vehicles. The Developer has agreed to surface an area that has been identified as damaged from construction traffic associated with their development.
- b. Following valid concerns raised by this objection, 'No Waiting At Any Time' restrictions have since been advertised at the junction of Rosslyn Avenue and Pilling Lane, as shown in Appendix B, to improve visibility and accessibility. No objections were received, and it is proposed to construct these alongside the 20mph.

Officer summary

Having considered the two objections, and the further restrictions at the junction of Rosslyn Avenue and Pilling Lane, it is considered that there are no issues raised which would mean this speed limit order should not be made.

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:



Risk management

The proposed scheme aims to increase safety for pedestrians and cyclists in the area, including children travelling to a nursery school in the local vicinity, by reducing the speed limit.

Failure to implement the proposed speed limit could encourage unsafe driving speeds down Rosslyn Avenue and its side roads.

It is proposed to erect regulatory speed limit signs, along with 'repeater' signs at intervals along Rosslyn Avenue.

Financial

The total estimated construction cost is £12,000. This will be funded from the S106 Agreement budget and be reported through the externally funded block of the capital programme. There are no revenue implications of this provision.

List of Background Papers

Paper	Date	Contact/Tel
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None

Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

N/A

