

**Report to the Cabinet**

Meeting to be held on Thursday, 8 June 2023

**Report of the Director of Highways and Transport**

**Part I**

Electoral Division affected:  
Fylde West;

**Corporate Priorities:**  
Delivering better services;

**Lancashire County Council (Various Roads, Singleton Area, Fylde Borough)  
(Revocation, 20mph and 30mph Speed Limits) Order 202\***  
(Appendices 'A' - 'F' refer)

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**Brief Summary**

Following a formal public consultation, it is proposed to make a Speed Limit Order to formalise the current on-site speed limit signage where, due to administrative difficulties, an Order was not sealed within the legal 2-year time frame after being approved at Cabinet on 8 September 2016.

**Recommendation**

Cabinet is asked to approve the Speed Limit proposals within Singleton Village as detailed within this report and as set out in the Modified Draft Order at Appendix 'E'.

**Detail**

To comply with county council policy to reduce potential accidents in particular with respect to vulnerable road users, and to increase journey safety, a speed limit reduction to 20mph from the current 30mph speed limit in Singleton Village with 30mph buffer zones on the approaches to the proposed 20mph limit was proposed and approved by Cabinet on 8 September 2016.

Whilst the works were carried out on site, unfortunately the order was not sealed within the legal time limit of two years. Therefore, the approved proposal was re-advertised in order to formalise the current on-site speed limit signage.



## Appendices

Appendices 'A' - 'F' are attached to this report. For clarification they are summarised below and referenced at relevant points within this report.

Appendix	Title
Appendix 'A'	Advertised Draft Order
Appendix 'B'	Advertised Plan
Appendix 'C'	Statement of Reasons
Appendix 'D'	Modification Notice
Appendix 'E'	Modified Draft Order
Appendix 'F'	Modified Plan

## Consultations

Formal consultation was carried out between 17 September 2021 and 15 October 2021 and advertised in the local press. Notices were displayed on site for all areas where new restrictions were proposed. Divisional county councillors were consulted along with the council's usual consultees and the consultation documents posted on the council's website.

During the consultation comments were received regarding an omission of a 30-mph section along Lodge Lane and, as a result of this, a further consultation on a modification was carried out between 11 October 2021 and 1 November 2021. Details of this consultation are contained within the Plan (Appendix 'F' Drawing '21-22(1)/MB-B7a') and Appendix 'D' Modification Site Notice.

## Objections

As a result of both consultations, 1 response was received from Lancashire Constabulary stating that the proposed 20mph speed limit could not be supported without the introduction of further engineering measures to reduce speeds and suggested that for this scheme to work physical traffic calming measures would need to be introduced.

## Officer's Response

The legal process for introducing Speed Limit Orders has a 2-year time limit between the date that a Draft Order is advertised and the date when the Order is brought into operation. In this instance the proposals were advertised in September 2021 however there has been a delay in the progression of the proposals to allow sufficient time for the Road Safety Team to fully consider and design any additional engineering measures to assist in mitigating Lancashire Constabulary's concerns regarding the success of the scheme.

The comments received from Lancashire Constabulary have been fully considered and the Road Safety Team proposes to introduce additional engineering measures in the form of gateway features on the approaches to the 20mph speed limit area consisting of signage improvements, and dragon's teeth and roundel road markings. In addition, 20mph roundels and 'SLOW' road markings will be applied within the area.



## **Implications:**

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

### **Financial**

The costs of the Traffic Regulation Order will be funded from the 2023/24 Highways budget at an estimated cost of £700.

### **Risk management**

Road safety may be compromised should the proposed restrictions not be approved.

### **List of Background Papers**

Paper	Date	Contact/Tel
None		
Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate		
N/A		

