

Single Member Cabinet Decision

Executive
Forward Plan
Reference

E2628

**20mph Speed Limit Traffic Regulation Orders
Area 10 – Batheaston/ Bathford/ Bathampton/ Beckford Gardens**

Decision maker/s	Cllr Caroline Roberts, Cabinet Member for Transport
The Issue	Consideration of the responses to the formal advertisement of the proposal to introduce a permanent 20mph speed limit on the residential roads of Batheaston/ Bathampton/ Bathford and Beckford Gardens.
Decision Date	27-Nov-14
The decision	<p>The Cabinet member agrees that the speed limit order is approved, with the following amendments to the advertised scheme:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bathford Hill is omitted and left as 30mph at present;• Bathford High St is omitted and left at 30mph at present, although the advisory 20mph speed limit should become permanent;• Bannerdown Road, is omitted and left at 30mph apart from the section between Barnfield Way and London Road East, which should become 20mph;• London Road East between the start of the 20mph zone and its junction with Batheaston Bypass is omitted.
Rationale for decision	A 20mph speed limit is recommended as other authorities which have introduced 20mph speed limits have evidence to show that it has beneficial effects. They include benefits to the environment, and it can encourage more walking and cycling.
Financial and budget implications	<p>The budget for these works forms part of the '20mph schemes' approved by Council as part of the 2014/15 budget report. This budget is funded partly by the Integrated Transport Block Grant and partly by corporately supported borrowing. In addition some s106 amounts have been identified which will fund the completion of the programme.</p> <p>In addition to the capital costs, the revenue maintenance costs associated with the project, consisting of additional signs and road markings will be incorporated within the existing highways maintenance revenue budget.</p>

Issues considered	Social Inclusion; Customer Focus; Sustainability; Young People; Human Rights; Corporate; Health & Safety.
Consultation undertaken	Ward Councillors; Cabinet members; Staff; Other B&NES Services; Local Residents; Section 151 Finance Officer; Chief Executive; Monitoring Officer.
How consultation was carried out	<p>Consultation was carried out by an initial informal leaflet letter drop and then through statutory advertisement of TRO's between the 6th May 2014 and 20th May 2014.</p> <p>Four letters of objection were received. The reasons given are summarised and listed with officer comments. These are shown in Appendix C of the report.</p>
Other options considered	The option of implementing 20mph Speed Limit Zones using traffic calming measures was considered. A scheme based on this option would be impractical and unsuitable because of the close proximity of buildings and the cost.
Signatures of Decision Makers	
Date of Signature	
Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision	