

**Single Member Cabinet Decision**

**Executive  
Forward Plan  
Reference**

**E2725**

**20mph Speed Limit Traffic Regulation Orders  
Area 13 – Lyncombe/ Widcombe**

<b>Decision maker/s</b>	Cllr Caroline Roberts, Cabinet Member for Transport
<b>The Issue</b>	Consideration of the responses to the formal advertisement of the proposal to introduce a permanent 20mph speed limit on the residential roads of Lyncombe and Widcombe.
<b>Decision Date</b>	
<b>The decision</b>	The Cabinet Member agrees that the speed limit order is approved as advertised.
<b>Rationale for decision</b>	<p>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.</p> <p>A petition to include the A367 Wells Road, within the 20mph speed limit, was considered, but felt that it should not be imposed for the reasons set out within the Single Member Decision report.</p>
<b>Financial and budget implications</b>	<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>
<b>Issues considered</b>	Social Inclusion; Customer Focus; Sustainability; Young People; Human Rights; Corporate; Health & Safety.
<b>Consultation undertaken</b>	Ward Councillors; Cabinet members; Staff; Other B&NES Services; Local Residents; Section 151 Finance Officer; Chief Executive; Monitoring Officer.

<p><b>How consultation was carried out</b></p>	<p>Consultation was carried out by an initial informal leaflet letter drop and then through statutory advertisement of TRO's between the 18<sup>th</sup> Dec 2014 to 15th January 2015.</p> <p>Two letters of objection were received. The reasons given are summarised and listed with officer comments. These are shown in Appendix C of the report. A petition (reference P12.07) was also received from residents in February 2012.</p>
<p><b>Other options considered</b></p>	<p>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.</p>
<p><b>Signatures of Decision Makers</b></p>	
<p><b>Date of Signature</b></p>	
<p><b>Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision</b></p>	