

Report of the Director of Regeneration to the meeting of the Shipley Area Committee to be held on 16 March 2016.

Subject:

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One objection received to the proposed Speed Limit Order to introduce a 20mph zone on a section of Sun Lane, Burley in Wharfedale.

Summary statement:

This report considers one objection received to the advertised proposal to introduce a 20mph zone on the existing one-way section of Sun Lane (between its junctions with Main Street and West View Road) in Burley In Wharfedale.

It is recommended that:

- This Committee overrule the objection and the proposed Speed Limit Order to introduce a 20mph zone on Sun lane be approved, sealed and implemented as formally advertised.
- The objector be informed of the decision.

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1. Summary

Consideration of one objection received to the proposed Speed Limit Notice to introduce a 20mph zone on Sun Lane in Burley in Wharfedale.

2. Background

- 2.1 Sun Lane is subject to a 'one-way' traffic system (west-bound) and links Main Street and West View Road. Sun Lane is predominantly residential in nature with a 30mph speed limit and has a footway on only one side.
- 2.3 This Committee has received concerns from local residents regarding traffic speeds and driver behaviour on this narrow one-way road.
- 2.4 On 3rd April 2013, this Committee included Sun lane in its 2014/2015 Traffic Management Measures Programme. The scheme proposals were drafted as shown in Drawing No.TDG/THN/AS/102346/SLO-1A (attached as Appendix 1 to this report).
- 2.5 It is anticipated that the proposed 20mph zone measures would create a safer environment on Sun Lane.
- 2.6 A speed and volumetric survey carried out on Tuesday 27 January 2015 showed that during the morning period 9-10am, 75 vehicles used that section of Sun Lane to which the proposed 20mph zone relates. During the evening period between 5-6pm, 142 vehicles used Sun Lane. Of these, 85 vehicles drove between 16-21mph.
- 2.7 Council records show that for the five year period ending December 2014, no traffic collisions resulting in personal injury occurred on that length of Sun Lane between its junctions with Main Street and West View Road.
- 2.8 In November 2015, a consultation letter and plan showing the proposed 20mph zone scheme was delivered to all residents of Sun Lane and no adverse comments were received.
- 2.9 On the basis of this consultation with local residents (and with the agreement of Local Members) the proposed 20mph Speed Limit Order was formally advertised on 14 January 2016 for three weeks ending Friday 5 February 2016. This has resulted in one objection being received via an e mail. The objector has provided no residential address

3. Other Considerations

- 3.1 The receipt of only a single objection suggests most residents support the proposed scheme.

- 3.2 Local ward members and the emergency services have been consulted on the proposals and their views taken into consideration.
- 3.3 Local Ward Members are aware of the objection received.

4. Options

Option 1 – The proposals could be approved, sealed and implemented as formally advertised.

Option 2 – The proposals could be abandoned as a result of the objection.

Option 3 – Members may prefer to take a course of action other than that indicated in the above options or the recommendations, in which case they will receive appropriate guidance from others.

5. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

This report has not been considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

6. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

Financial

- 6.1. The costs necessary to introduce the proposed traffic management scheme (Including the processing of the associated Speed Limit Order) has been allocated from the Shipley Area Committee Capital allocation.

6.2. Resources

The proposed 20mph zone can be processed within existing staff resources.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

There are no risk management implications

8. LEGAL APPRAISAL

There are no legal implications at present

9. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

9.1 EQUAL RIGHTS

There are no implications for equal rights.

9.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

There are no sustainability implications

9.3 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

There are no implications regarding greenhouse gas emissions impacts

9.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

The proposed 20mph zone is intended to reduce the speed of traffic on Sun Lane, thereby helping to reduce community severance and the potential for traffic collisions.

9.5 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT

There are no implications for human rights

9.6 TRADE UNION

There are no implications for the trade unions

9.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS

None

10. NOT FOR PUBLICATION DOCUMENTS

None

11. RECOMMENDATIONS

11.1 Option 1 - That the proposals be approved, sealed and implemented as formally advertised.

11.2 That the objector be informed accordingly.

12. APPENDICES

12.1 Appendix 1, Drawing no. TDG/THN/AS/102346/CON/-1B showing the proposals

Appendix 2, Objector's points and officers' comments

13. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Report of the Shipley Area Committee on 3rd April 2013

Appendix 2

Objector's Comments	Officer's Comments
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I object to the proposed 20mph zone on Sun Lane because I am unable to ascertain the reasons behind these proposals and what they are aiming to address. • I do not believe that the proposed 20 mph zone scheme would address the issues it aims to solve. • Have alternative traffic measures schemes been considered for Sun Lane? • When were the street notices placed on Sun Lane? • The proposed signage cannot be placed as described by the order as it would obstruct pedestrians and affect local aesthetic. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over the last few this Committee has received concerns from local residents regarding traffic speeds and driver behaviour on this narrow one-way road. The receipt of only a single objection suggests the scheme proposals are supported by Sun Lane residents. • Although the site's road safety record presents limited potential for casualty reduction, the scheme's primary aim is to address local concerns causing residents anxiety. • During the feasibility stage, a number of other traffic management measures including installing vertical and horizontal features were explored but considered inappropriate. • The legal notices advising of the scheme proposals were erected on Sun Lane on Thursday 14 January 2016 for three weeks, ending on Friday 5 February 2016. The Notices were also published in the local press. • It is not considered that the proposed sign poles will obstruct pedestrians and every possible effort will be taken to minimise the impact of the proposed signs in the area.