REPORT AUDIT TRAIL:- New build housing development, Brecks Lane, Brecks, Proposed 20mph zone

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Paul Woodcock	Assistant Chief Executive/ Strategic Director for Regeneration and Environment	Click here to enter a date.	Click here to enter a date.	Not applicable
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Public Report Delegated Officer Decision

Committee Name and Date of Committee Meeting

Delegated Officer Decision – 31 March 2023

Report Title

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Is this a Key Decision and has it been included on the Forward Plan? No, but it has been included on the Forward Plan

Strategic Director Approving Submission of the Report

Simon Moss, Assistant Strategic Director of Regeneration and Environment

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Ward(s) Affected

Wickersley North

Report Summary

To seek approval to implement a 20mph zone that includes those roads under construction as part of an approved planning application for a new housing estate off Brecks Lane, Brecks.

Recommendations

1. That the Head of Legal services makes the order for the implementation of the amendment to the consolidation order that allows for the introduction of a 20mph speed limit (zone) on Heath Way and Heathland, these being the roads that form part of the approved planning application of the new housing development currently under construction.

List of Appendices Included

Appendix A Drawing No 4186/201 Rev C Brecks Lane, Planning Layout

Appendix B Equalities Assessment

Appendix C Carbon Impact Assessment

Background Papers

None.

Consideration by any other Council Committee, Scrutiny or Advisory Panel Not applicable

Council Approval Required No

Exempt from the Press and Public No

1.	Background	
1.1	A 20mph zone can lead to an increase in walking and cycling activities which can have a positive effect on the physical and mental wellbeing of those living with the 20mph zone.	
1.2	As part of an approved planning application for a new housing development off Brecks Lane, Brecks, (see appendices A), it was required that the new estate roads would form a 20mph zone.	
1.3	The proposed 20mph zone will reflect the highway environment and will ensure that the speed limits on these roads are in accordance with the guidance issued by Central Government in relation to the setting of speed limits through villages and in built up areas.	
2.	Key Issues	
2.1	The approved planning application will develop the land to the east of Brecks Lane, north of Belcourt Road, with the new road layout of the development designed such, that vehicle speeds are commensurate with a 20mph speed limit, this also accords with current design guidance.	
2.2	As part of the approved planning application, it was required that the new roads of the development would become a 20mph zone.	
3.	Options considered and recommended proposal	
3.1	Do nothing and keep the proposed new roads as the default speed limit i.e. 30mph. This option is not being promoted as this would not encourage residents to take up more active forms of travel, such as walking and / or cycling.	
3.2	It is proposed to implement the 20mph zone shown on drawings Drawing No 4186/201 Rev C Brecks Lane, Planning Layout in accordance with Department for Transport guidance.	
4.	Consultation on proposal	
4.1	All statutory consultees including South Yorkshire Police, South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue etc. the Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment, Wickersley North Ward Members and the general public via notices on street and in the Rotherham Advertiser have been consulted. No objections were received.	
5.	Timetable and Accountability for Implementing this Decision	
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5.1	The purpose of this report is to seek approval to implement the proposed 20mph zone. Should approval be granted, the amendments to the speed limit consolidation order will be undertaken by the Councils Legal department.		
5.2	The works to implement the proposed speed limit on site will be undertaken by the developer through an agreement under section 278 of the Highways Act. The changes will be coordinated with the sealing of the order.		
6.	Financial and Procurement Advice and Implications (to be written by the relevant Head of Finance and the Head of Procurement on behalf of s151 Officer)		
6.1	The cost of the traffic regulation order and amendments to the signing and lining on site will be met by the developer		
7.	Legal Advice and Implications (to be written by Legal Officer on behalf of Assistant Director Legal Services)		
7.1	The relevant Traffic Regulation Order will be amended as set out in the body of the report to reflect the proposals described. The TRO is made pursuant to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 which helps the Council to manage the highway network for all road users, including pedestrians with the aim to improve road safety and access to facilities.		
7.2	The appropriate statutory procedure including consultation had been followed as set out in the body of the report.		
8.	Human Resources Advice and Implications		
8.1	There are no human resources implications arising from this report.		
9.	Implications for Children and Young People and Vulnerable Adults		
9.1	There are no specific implications for children, young people and vulnerable adults arising directly from this proposal. However, a suitable and appropriate speed limit will enhance the road safety environment for all vulnerable road users.		
10.	Equalities and Human Rights Advice and Implications		
10.1	An Equalities Assessment has been completed for this report and is attached at Appendix B.		
11.	Implications for CO2 Emissions and Climate Change		
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11.1	A Carbon Impact Assessment has been completed for this report and is attached at Appendix C.		
12.	Implications for Partners		

12.1.	The proposal will improve the road safety environment for all road users within the new estate. South Yorkshire Police, as enforcement agents of speed limits, have not raised any concerns about the proposed 20mph zone.		
13.	Risks and Mitigation		
13.1	There is a risk that without implementing the speed limit to better reflect the road environment, and to encourage residents to take up more active means of travel such as walking and cycling etc. then reliance on the private motor car will continue, with the health of the residents potentially suffering as a consequence.		
14.	Accountable Officers		
	Nigel Davey, Engineer		
	Andrew Moss, Interim Head of Transport Infrastructure Service		
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Approvals obtained on behalf of Statutory Officers: -

	Named Officer	Date
Chief Executive	Sharon Kemp	Click here to
		enter a date.
Strategic Director of Finance &	Richard Young	10/03/23
Customer Services		
(S.151 Officer)		
Head of Legal Services	Stuart Fletcher	23/2/23
(Monitoring Officer)		

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