

REPORT AUDIT TRAIL:- Doncaster Road, Wath Proposed 30mph extension**CONSULTATION**

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Name/Position	Portfolio/Ward/ Directorate	Date Sent	Date Received	Comments in para:
Councillor Robert Taylor	Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment	20/01/25	20/01/25	
<i>Andrew Bramidge</i>	Assistant Chief Executive/ Strategic Director for Regeneration and Environment	Click here to enter a date.	Click here to enter a date.	Not applicable
<i>Jon Baggaley, Finance</i>	Finance and Customer Services	06/01/25	06/01/25	6
<i>Nick Fletcher, Legal Services</i>	Legal Services	06/01/25	07/01/25	7
<i>Helen Rowe, Human Resources</i>	Assistant Chief Executive's Office	06/01/25	13/01/25	8
Equalities	Assistant Chief Executive's Office	06/01/25	06/01/25	10
<i>Katie Rocket, Change and Innovation</i>	Assistant Chief Executive's Office	06/01/25	08/01/25	11

REPORT APPROVAL TRACKING

<p>Equalities Your report will not be authorised for submission to Cabinet by your Strategic Director if you have not undertaken and included an initial equalities screening. All equalities analysis documents should be included as appendices</p>	<p>Initial Screening completed and included with report</p>	YES	
	<p>Full Assessment completed and included with report</p>	No	Insert date agreed
<p>Carbon Impact Assessments Carbon Impact Assessments are to be appended to the associated cabinet reports. Carbon Impact Assessments should be sent to climate@rotherham.gov.uk for feedback prior to your report being sent to your Strategic Director for approval.</p>	Carbon Impact Assessment completed and included with report.	YES	
<p>Background information MANDATORY: Insert headings for a few main public documents you have used or referenced to write this report. This is a legal requirement. For Cabinet reports, <u>insert hyperlinks</u>. Do not list private documents.</p>	Department for Transport Circular roads 1/2013		
<p>Appendices If appendices are essential to the understanding of the report, list titles here. Equality Analysis documents should be listed as Appendix 1 for all reports. Ensure that appendices have proper titles.</p>	Appendix A Appendix B Equalities Assessment Appendix C Carbon Impact Assessment		
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Committee Name and Date of Committee Meeting
Delegated Officer Decision – 28 February 2025

Report Title
Doncaster Road, Wath Proposed 30mph extension

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
Wath

Report Summary
The purpose of this report is to consider an extension to the existing 30mph speed limit by approximately 130m on Doncaster Road, Wath, as shown on Appendix A, The key recommendation of the report is to continue with the making of the order for the proposal.

Recommendations

1. That the Assistant Strategic Director of Regeneration and Environment exercises his delegated powers with regard to the traffic regulation order proposals shown on Drawing No 21063/GA/1 Rev C attached as Appendix A, and gives approval to:-
2. Authorise the Head of Legal Services to make the orders and implement the amendments to the relevant consolidation order that allows for the extension of the 30mph speed limit, on Doncaster Road, Wath.

List of Appendices Included

Appendix A Drawing No 21063/GA/01 Rev C
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

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1.	Background
1.1	Following approval of a planning application for a new residential development on land to the south of Doncaster Road, Wath (Farfield Lane), (application No RB2021/1686) it was required that the existing 30mph speed limit on Doncaster Road, be relocated, to an appropriate location where the change in speed limit reflects the adjacent highway environment See Appendix A. The changes are proposed as the development results in an extension to the built-up area, rendering the existing arrangements inappropriate.
1.2	The proposed change point; where the speed limit changes from 40mph to 30mph, will better reflect the start of the 'built up' area of Doncaster Road, as vehicles approach from a semi rural area. It will ensure that the speed limits on Doncaster Road 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 south of Doncaster Road (adjacent to Farfield Lane). This area of land was previously undeveloped land. This area of land is adjacent to the start / end of the built-up area of this section of Doncaster Road. As part of the approved planning application, it was agreed that highway improvements along this site frontage would be undertaken under a s278 legal agreement.
2.2	Currently there is a change of speed limit; 30mph to 40mph located approximately 70m east of Gorehill Close (see appendix A). The approved planning application will develop the land to the south of Doncaster Road and east of Gorehill Close. This development will change the road side environment of this specific area of Doncaster Road from semi-rural to built-up. An assessment was undertaken using the criteria for setting local speed limits, as issued by the Department for Transport, and an extension of the existing 30mph speed limit from its present location to a point 130 east of Gorehill Close was deemed appropriate.
3.	Options considered and recommended proposal
3.1	Do nothing and keep the existing change in speed limits in their present location. This option is not being promoted as this would result in having a change in speed limit in an inappropriate location, which may lead to future requests amend to the change in speed limit, the cost of which if implemented, would have to be borne by the Council.
3.2	It is proposed to implement the 30mph speed limit extension and proposed no waiting at any time restriction, as shown on drawings Drawing No 21063/GA/1 Rev C, General Arrangement, 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, Wath 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
5.1	The purpose of this report is to consider an extension by approximately 130m, to the existing 30mph speed limit on Doncaster Road. Should approval be granted, the amendments to the relevant consolidation order will be undertaken by the Councils Legal department.
5.2	The works to implement the proposed amended speed limit on site, will be undertaken by the developer through an agreement under section s278 of the Highways Act. The changes will be coordinated with the sealing of the orders.
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 and provision of a no waiting at any time restriction, will enhance the road safety environment for all vulnerable road users.

10.	Equalities and Human Rights Advice and Implications
10.1	An initial Equality Screening Assessment has been completed for this report and is attached at Appendix B.
11.	Implications for CO2 Emissions and Climate Change
11.1	A Carbon Impact Assessment has been completed for this report and is attached at Appendix C. There is no planned carbon capture associated with this scheme.
12.	Implications for Partners
12.1.	The proposal will improve the road safety environment for all road users along this section of Doncaster Road. South Yorkshire Police, as enforcement agents of speed limits, have not raised any concerns about the proposed 30mph extension.
13.	Risks and Mitigation
13.1	There is a risk that without amending the speed limit to better reflect the road environment, drivers will not reduce their speed at the appropriate location, with the potential that inappropriate vehicle speeds may be observed with the potential for a collision to occur.
14.	Accountable Officers
	Nigel Davey, Engineer
	Nat Porter Acting Head of Transport Infrastructure Service

Approvals obtained on behalf of Statutory Officers: -

	Named Officer	Date
Chief Executive	Sharon Kemp	Click here to enter a date.
Strategic Director of Finance & Customer Services (S.151 Officer)	Judith Badger	06/01/25
Head of Legal Services (Monitoring Officer)	Bal Nahal	07/01/25

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