

**Title:** Petition to Lower the Speed Limit from 40mph to 30mph on Sheffield Road / Park hill in Swallownest for Community Safety

**Statement:**

We the undersigned petition the council to Petition to Lower the Speed Limit from 40mph to 30mph on Sheffield Road / Park hill in Swallownest for Community Safety. To Rotherham council We, the undersigned, urge the local council to reduce the speed limit on from 40mph to 30mph to improve safety for residents, schoolchildren, and all road users. This stretch of road passes through a residential area, a primary school, and now the recent development of Aldi supermarket, creating high foot traffic, especially during school drop-off and pick-up times. Despite this, vehicles continue to speed down the hill, often exceeding 40mph, putting pedestrians often young families, cyclists, and drivers at risk. There have been numerous incidents over the past 20 years due to speeding on this road. Most recently 3/2/25. The combination of steep gradient, high-speed traffic, and vulnerable road users makes this area particularly dangerous. Currently, the speed limit is inconsistent, but it should be 30mph all the way down to ensure safety.

**Justification:**

There have been numerous incidents over the past 20 years due to speeding on this road. The combination of steep gradient, high-speed traffic, and vulnerable road users makes this area particularly dangerous. Currently, the speed limit is inconsistent, but it should be 30mph all the way down to ensure safety.

Lowering the speed limit to 30mph will:

Improve safety for schoolchildren, pedestrians, and cyclists.

Reduce the risk and severity of accidents.

Encourage safer driving habits in a residential area.

Make the road safer for vehicles entering and exiting driveways and surrounding estates.

With the growing number of homes, businesses, and increased pedestrian activity, it is essential that this road is made safer. We call on the council to act now to prevent further accidents.

Sign this petition to support a safer road.

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