PROPOSED TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

STATEMENT OF REASONS

Derby City Council (Kedleston Road Area) (Speed) (Amendment to Map Based Schedule) (No. 14) Order 2022

Derby City Council is duty bound pursuant to Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended) to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities on and off the highway.

The proposed Order is in accordance with Section 1(1), of the Act as it appears to the Authority that it is expedient to make it for the purposes prescribed:

1. for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising,

EFFECTS

The purpose of this order is:

• The proposed revocation of 40mph speed limit (existing street lighting automatically imposes 30mph speed limit on the road) along Kedleston Road between Menin Road and its junction with Church Road.

See Drawing TMT04 – D001 for details.

BACKGROUND

This length of road has been 40mph for several years. The road is bordered to the east by houses set back from the road and to the west was the greenfield sites within Amber Valley. The last few years has seen development on the western side of Kedleston road. There is now a large residential estate under construction that has necessitated the need for a signalised pedestrian crossing and the installation of a roundabout at the junction with Askerfield Avenue.

The significant change of use brought about by the construction of this housing estate and installation of signalised pedestrians crossing has led to a need to evaluate the suitability of a 40mph speed limit on this length of road.

This proposal will make amendments to restrictions outside of the Derby City Council boundary and therefore permission has been sought from the neighbouring authority, specifically Derbyshire County Council. Email correspondence from a point of contact within the County Council states: "Derbyshire will be happy to support any such agreement in these circumstances with yourselves at Derby City for you to process the TRO and the associated works on completion of the order making process".

A speed survey was performed on this section of Kedleston Road on Tuesday 2nd August 2022 between 09:30 and 10:30. The result was a mean speed of 30.7mph with an 85th percentile speed of 34.2mph. These recorded speeds show that a reduction in speed is realistic and achievable along this length of road.

REASONS FOR PROPOSALS

A reduction of the speed limit from 40mph to 30mph will better suit the usage of the road. It will also provide a continuous 30mph limit along the length of Kedleston Road from the Five Lamps junction to the junction with Church Road. The reduction in speed limit will be better suited to the change in character of the road

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