

SUBJECT: (PROPOSED 20 MPH AND 30 MPH SPEED LIMITS CHEPSTOW ROAD RAGLAN)

MEETING: Cabinet Member for County Operations DATE: 4/11/2015 DIVISION/WARDS AFFECTED: Central, Raglan

1. PURPOSE:

To consider the proposed Order subsequent to representations received following advertisement in accordance with the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1994.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Not to hold an inquiry into the proposal

To approve the proposed Order as consulted and advertised upon to implement the Order.

3. KEY ISSUES:

Monmouthshire County Council is constructing a new junior school in the village of Raglan. Various highway and road safety improvements are being provided as part of the new school development. The council has an aspiration of providing 20 mph speed limits in the vicinity of all its schools and therefore a 20 mph speed limit is proposed on Chepstow Road in the vicinity of the new school. it is all

necessary to extend the current 30 mph speed limit to a more appropriate location to provide a buffer between the 20 mph speed limit and the current derestricted rural speed limit.

The application has been fully considered and assessed in accordance with the council's policies and procedures and is supported by officers.

4. **REASONS**:

Previous concerns have been raised regarding the level of road safety for school children and others crossing and using Chepstow Road at school opening and closing times. The council has fully engaged local community representatives previously and finalized a highway safety improvement scheme as part of the planning consent process for the new junior school. An integral part of the highway improvements is to reduce vehicular speeds in the vicinity of Chepstow Road and thereby increasing its suitability and attractiveness for school children to walk and cycle to school. The reduction in the current speed limit and the extension of the current boundary of the 30 mph speed limit are considered to have major road safety benefits and will greatly improve the highway environment for vulnerable highway users in this urban environment.

Regulation 9 of the Local Authorities' Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996 enables the Council to hold a public inquiry into the proposal if there are unresolved objections. The purpose of such an inquiry would be for the proposal to be explained and subjected to examination; and for the public to be given the opportunity to make their views known. Should a public inquiry be held then it would not be possible for it to be implemented for at least six months.

Officers consider that in view of the fact that no objections have been received as set out in the report, that the Council's proposals do not warrant the holding of any inquiry.

5. **RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:**

The costs of the proposed Traffic Regulation Order, road markings and signage are being funded by Monmouthshire County Council and are included in the current road safety and traffic management programme.

6. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

There are no sustainability issues regarding providing these lower and extended speed limits on Chepstow Road.

7. CONSULTEES:

Senior Leadership Team County Councillor B Jones, Cabinet Member for County Operations County Councillor Mrs. P Jones

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS:

Proposed Order, Schedule of Objections/Comments, Proposed DPPP location plan.

9. AUTHOR:

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10. CONTACT DETAILS:

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Schedule of Objections/Comments

Name/Address	Support	Comments
1.Heddlu Gwent Police	Has confirmed its	Noted.

	support in writing.	
Name/Address	Support	Comments
Councillor P.Jones	Has confirmed her support in writing by email.	Noted.
Name/Address	Support	Comments
Raglan Community Council	Has confirmed its support in writing.	Noted.
Name/Address	Objection	Comments



Future Generations Evaluation (includes Equalities and Sustainability Impact

Please give a brief description of the aims of the proposal To improve road safety by a reduction in the mandatory speed limit and an extension to the extent of the mandatory speed limit.
Date Future Generations Evaluation form completed
4/11/ 2015

1. Does your proposal deliver any of the well-being goals below? Please explain the impact (positive and negative) you expect, together with suggestions of how to mitigate negative impacts or better contribute to the goal.

Well Being Goal	How does the proposal contribute to this goal? (positive and negative)	What actions have been/will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
A prosperous Wales Efficient use of resources, skilled, educated people, generates wealth, provides jobs	Neutral	N/A
A resilient Wales Maintain and enhance biodiversity and ecosystems that support resilience and can adapt to change (e.g. climate change)	Neutral	N/A
A healthier Wales People's physical and mental wellbeing is maximized and health impacts are understood	Positive	N/A

Well Being Goal	How does the proposal contribute to this goal? (positive and negative)	What actions have been/will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
A Wales of cohesive communities Communities are attractive, viable, safe and well connected	Positive	N/A
A globally responsible Wales Taking account of impact on global well-being when considering local social, economic and environmental wellbeing	Neutral	N/A
A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language Culture, heritage and Welsh language are promoted and protected. People are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation	Neutral	N/A
A more equal Wales People can fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances	Positive	The proposed order will improve the quality of life for blue badge holders.

2. How has your proposal embedded and prioritised the sustainable governance principles in its development?

Sustainable Development Principle	How does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle?	What has been done to better to meet this principle?
Balancing short term need with long term and planning for the future	N/A	

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Collaboration Objectives	N/A	
Involving those with an interest and seeking their	N/A	
views Putting resources into preventing problems occurring or getting worse	N/A	
Positively impacting on people, economy and environment and trying to benefit all three	N/A	

3. Are your proposals going to affect any people or groups of people with protected characteristics? Please explain the impact, the evidence you have used and any action you are taking below.

Protected Characteristics	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	What has been/will be done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Age	N/A		N/A
Disability	N/A		N/A
Gender reassignment	N/A		
Marriage or civil partnership	N/A		
Race	N/A		
Religion or Belief	N/A		
Sex	N/A		
Sexual Orientation	N/A		
Welsh Language	N/A		

4. Council has agreed the need to consider the impact its decisions has on important responsibilities of Corporate Parenting and safeguarding. Are your proposals going to affect either of these responsibilities? For more information please see the guidance note http://hub/corporatedocs/Democratic%20Services/Equality%20impact%20assessment%20and%20safeguarding.docx and for more on Monmouthshire's Corporate Parenting Strategy see http://hub/corporatedocs/SitePages/Corporate%20Parenting%20Strategy.aspx

	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	What will you do/ have you done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Safeguarding	N/A		
Corporate Parenting	N/A		

5. What evidence and data has informed the development of your proposal?

Several site visits have been undertaken on site during the design and road safety assessment process. Vehicular speed checks have also been undertaken previously along Chepstow Road.

Statutory consultation has been completed and no objections have been received.

6. SUMMARY: As a result of completing this form, what are the main positive and negative impacts of your proposal, how have they informed/changed the development of the proposal so far and what will you be doing in future?

The proposed order will improve the level of road safety for school children using the new school and for other vulnerable road users. The reduction in the speed limits will also provide a more aesthetically pleasing environment and a reduction in road traffic noise and an improvement in air quality within this urbanised environment.

7. Actions. As a result of completing this form are there any further actions you will be undertaking? Please detail them below, if applicable.

What are you going to do	When are you going to do it?	Who is responsible	Progress
Implement order and appropriate works	Following publication of notice of making.	Traffic & Network Team	On-going

8. Monitoring: The impacts of this proposal will need to be monitored and reviewed. Please specify the date at which you will evaluate the impact, and where you will report the results of the review.

The impacts of this proposal will be evaluated on:	31 st December 2016

SECTION 84 - ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE A PERMANENT ORDER

MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL CYNGOR SIR FYNWY (20MPH AND 30MPH SPEED LIMIT CHEPSTOW ROAD & FAYRE OAKS RAGLAN) TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 2015 GORCHYMYN RHEOLAETH TRAFFIG 2015

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Monmouthshire County Council of County Hall, The Rhadyr, Usk, NP15 1GA ("the Council") proposes to make a Road Traffic Regulation Order as follows:

EFFECT OF THE ORDER: Monmouthshire County Council is current constructing and providing a new primary school at Raglan and in order to undertake highway and safety improvements in association with the new school, it is intended to introduce a new 20 mph speed limit with traffic calming features and extending the current 30 mph speed limit in order to create a 30 mph buffer speed limit between the rural derestricted highway and the new 20 mph speed limit.

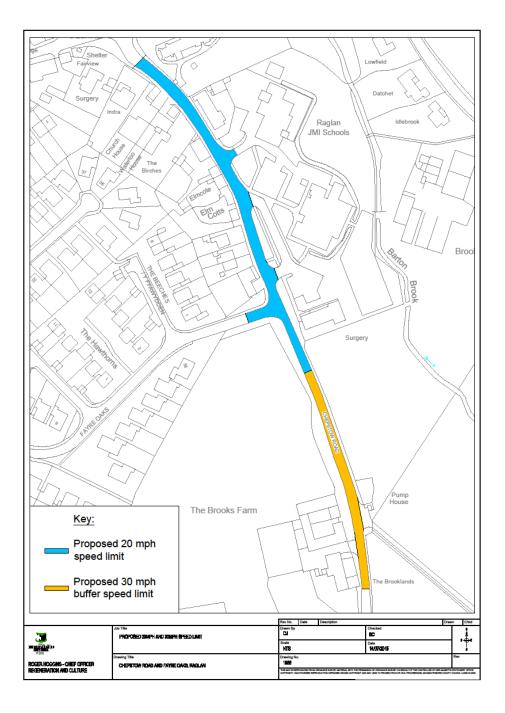
Further details of the proposed Order comprising a plan, statement of reasons and the District of Monmouth (Chepstow Road Raglan) (Restricted Road) Order 1977 which is to be revoked may be examined during normal office hours at County Hall, The Rhadyr, Usk, NP15 1GA or the Abergavenny One Stop Shop, Market Hall, Cross Street, Abergavenny, NP7 5HD and Monmouth One Stop Shop, Priory Street, Monmouth, NP25 3XA. If you wish to telephone to obtain further information about this proposal please telephone 01633 – 644026 or alternatively email clairewilliams@monmouthshire.gov.uk.

Any objections in respect of this proposal should be made in writing, stating the grounds on which the objection is being made and should be sent to the Head of Legal Services, Monmouthshire County Council, PO Box 106, Caldicot, NP26 1AN not later than the 18th of September 2015. Please quote reference H45/60.0819 on any correspondence.

Date: 17th August 2015

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Head of Legal Services/Pennaeth Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol



Chepstow Road and Fayre Oaks Raglan Schedule

Schedule 1 Chepstow Road

20 mph speed limit

(a) From a point 186 metres north of its junction with Fayre Oaks in a generally southerly direction to a point 45 metres south of its junction with Fayre Oaks.

Schedule 2 Fayre Oaks

20 mph speed limit

(a) From a point 17 metres west of its junction with the western kerb line of Chepstow Road in a generally easterly direction to its junction with the western kerb line of Chepstow Road.

Schedule 3 Chepstow Road

30 mph speed limit

(a)From a point 45 metres south of its junction with Fayre Oaks in a generally southerly direction to a point 190 metres south of its junction with Fayre Oaks.

Statement of Reasons:

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