

Petition: Llantrisant Village - Speed Reduction 1 ~ 58 Signatures from residents and 18 from regular visitors

LLANTRISANT VILLAGE ROAD SAFETY

This letter is written on behalf of almost all the Residents of this small village who are concerned for their own and their neighbours' safety and have signed the enclosed Petition seeking action by the County Council.

Additional people, who live in the vicinity or regularly visit the village for work have also signed in support of the request for action to improve Road Safety.

The Petition seeks action by the County Council to lessen current dangerous road conditions by the introduction of Speed Limits.

A 40 mph limit is requested for the section of the road from Usk to Langstone where it passes through and past the junctions into the village.

A 20mph Zone is requested for the full length of the inner village road as it curves round the church and then passes the ancient former public house (both listed buildings).

Points in justification are set out in the Petition.

The concern for action has grown in recent years as the

composition of families in the village has changed. There are now more young children in the village than at any time for over 30 years and markedly different lifestyles. There are more residents cars and far more delivery vehicles raising increased traffic hazards both on the village road and at its junctions with the main road. The main road itself is now busier given the development of several service businesses on one approach and a busy Private Show Jumping yard with stables at the other.

The Residents therefore wish to press the Council to prepare proposals for speed limits as a matter of present and future concern, and before near misses turn into an accident.

They also ask ,whilst such steps are moving through due process, that an immediate commitment is given to those initial safeguarding steps which can be taken swiftly and at little cost. There are currently no signs on the main road warning motorists that they are approaching junctions with poor visibility, and no signs at the access points to the village road warning of children and other pedestrians on a road with no footpath. This is particularly pressing given the recent increase in diverse delivery vehicles as the retail trade adjusts.

Please advise how our request will be taken forward.

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RESIDENTS' PETITION January 2022

TO MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

We the undersigned residents of Llantrisant Village request the Council to prepare and consult on proposals to improve public and road safety by introducing:

- 1) a 40 (forty) MPH speed limit on that section of the Usk to Langstone Road (?B4598 extension?) for a distance of approximately 0.7 of a mile between the village name signs; and
- 2) a 20 (twenty) MPH speed limit Zone along the entire length of the inner old village road.

Points in Justification.

Traffic speed on the Principal road (1) is only constrained by the national limit of 60mph: there are two junctions with the inner old village road, both having with poor visibility for those exiting the village and little warning for other motorists. There are also entrances to two farm businesses, a commercial stable yard, three private houses. And a growing small business estate. Both ends of this section of road are approached by fast straight stretches and then involve substantial bends close to and restricting visibility to both junctions and to key access points.

In recent years the village has become occupied by an increasing number of young families; vehicle traffic has increased with the development of local business; the route is greatly favoured by touring cyclists; it incorporates for 100yds and is crossed by, the popular Usk Valley Way (without a pedestrian footway or any protective warning for traffic) and the local livery stables generate some roadway exercising of horses. All these factors give rise to significant Road Safety Risks which are increased by the nature of the road itself.

The inner Old Village road (2) has become increasingly busy, not only through additional residential traffic, now 25 houses each with an average of two vehicles, but also a marked increase in retail and food delivery. More traffic on a narrow road without a pedestrian footway does not mix well with increased numbers of young children and gives rise to considerable road safety risks which a 20 mph Zone would reduce.