

**SUBJECT: PETITION – REDUCED SPEED LIMIT A466 TINTERN – OLD STATION**  
**MEETING: LOWER WYE AREA COMMITTEE**  
**DATE: 27<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2016**  
**DIVISIONS/WARD AFFECTED: ST ARVANS WARD**

## **1. PURPOSE**

To advise members of the petition presented to Monmouthshire County Council requesting that the existing speed limit be reduced from the National Speed Limit (60mph) to 40mph or 30mph.

## **2. RECOMMENDATION**

- 2.1.1** That members note the petition shown in appendix 1 and the actions taken to date, including the formation of a Speedwatch group by local residents.
- 2.1.2** That further speed monitoring is undertaken along the section of A466 from Old Station Tea Rooms to the Wye Valley Hotel and along with other data be used to assess the existing speed limit in accordance with the national guidance.

## **3. KEY ISSUES**

- 3.1.1** A petition was presented to Monmouthshire County Council in September 2016 requesting a reduced speed limit on the A466. The reasons for requesting a reduction in the speed limit are that there have been a number of traffic incidents on the stretch of road from Old Station Tea Rooms to the Wye Valley Hotel Tintern and that residents, visitors and operators of local businesses are endangered when entering the road from premises adjoining the A466.
- 3.1.2** The official casualty record shows there has been 1 incident in the last 5 years along this stretch of road which resulted in a fatality. The causation factor indicated that the driver of the vehicle was driving too fast for the conditions.
- 3.1.3** There are 2 accesses which adjoin the A466 namely the Old Station Tea Rooms (which does generate a fair amount of trade) and a farm/ micro-brewery access which does have a shop open to the public and is shared with the Wye Valley Sculpture Garden open Friday, Saturday and Sundays only.
- 3.1.4** It should be noted that there is provision of advanced warning signs indicating a staggered junction along with bend warning signs, double white centre line and slow araf carriageway markings.
- 3.1.5** Guidance issued by Welsh Government (Setting Local Speed Limits) does indicate that speed limits should not be implemented to “solve the problem of isolated hazards such as a single road junction or reduced forward visibility at a bend”.
- 3.1.6** It should also be noted that Gwent Police are reluctant to support inappropriately set speed limits which have significant enforcement demands.

**4. REASONS**

- 4.1.1 The petition highlights concerns of residents within the Tintern area which are noted. However, up-to-date speed monitoring will provide the Traffic Section with the evidence required to make an informed decision as to whether a reduction in the current speed limit is warranted.

**5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

The resource to consider the reduction in the current speed limit would be met from within the existing highway revenue budget.

**6. CONSULTEES**

Local Members, Community Council

**7. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Petition with 55 signatures

**8. AUTHOR**

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**9. CONTACT DETAILS**

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**Appendix 1- Petition from Residents**



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5th September 2016

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County Hall  
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**Petition for speed limit change in Tintern, Monmouthshire**


*Dear Sirs*

Please find enclosed a petition which has been supported by 55 residents and others who use the A466, between Tintern and Llandogo, on a regular basis.

We are asking for a change of speed limit on this stretch of road in order that further incidents, including fatalities, may be avoided.

Each of the signatories has provided a name, address and telephone number if there is need for verification and these details will be given on request following a grant of permission from those concerned.

We would be grateful if you will consider our request favourably or support our attempt and look forward to receiving your reply with interest.

*yours faithfully*  


Enclosure: petition consisting of three sheets

## Petition for Speed Limit Change

To:

Tintern Community Council  
Mrs.Elizabeth Greatorex-Davies  
The Poplars  
Whitelye  
Catbrook  
NP16 6NP

Monmouthshire County Council  
Highways Dept  
County Hall  
The Rhadyr  
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Gwent Police  
Gwent Police Headquarters  
Croesyceiliog  
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For information: David Davies MP  
16 Maryport Street  
Usk  
Monmouthshire  
NP15 1AB

We, whose names and addresses are listed below, request that the speed limit on the A466 in Tintern, between the lychgate of St Michael's Church and the bend at the Old Station, be reduced from the present national limit to a maximum of 40 mph or an extension of the present 30 mph limit of the village to the stretch of road specified.

We request this because:

- there has been a number of traffic incidents on this stretch of road
- there has been a number of fatalities
- residents, visitors and operators of local businesses are endangered when entering the road from adjoining premises

The problems listed are, in the opinion of all of us, a direct result of the speed limit being too high for this type of residential road.

We ask for your urgent attention to this matter and request that you reply, in the first instance, to

Stephen Evans  
Tintern Community Speed Watch Coordinator  
5 Parva Springs  
Tintern  
Monmouthshire  
NP16 6TY

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| Abbe Opher           | Robin Hill 5 hillside close Mitchel Troy Common Np25 4jr           |
| andrew lubelski      | 44 willow park   |
| Angela Vrettos       | Parva Farmhouse Riverside Guesthouse Tintern, Chepstow.            |
| Anne Barker          | Gwyn Cottage Tintern Chepstow Np166th                              |
| Annette Thomas       | Parva Barns Tintern Chepstow NP16 6SQ                              |
| Ayse Rugg            | 1 Beech Cottages Tintern NP16 6TJ                                  |
| C.Sturcke            | 3, The Cloisters, Chepstow, Monmouthshire, NP16 5UA.               |
| Catherine Tryon      | 80 St Lawrence Park Chepstow. NP16 6Dq                             |
| Christine Ager       | 22 Parva Springs, Tintern, Chepstow, Monmouthshire, NP16 6TY       |
| Claire Taylor        | Old Furnace Cottage Tintern Chepstow Monmouthshire                 |
| Dave Tuffery         | Manor House Main Road Tintern                                      |
| David Prime          | 5 Badger's Dene, The Narth, Monmouth NP25 4QU                      |
| Elsa Wood            | The Nurtons, Tintern, Wales, UK                                    |
| Elspeth Reid         | Wye Barn, The Quay, Tintern, NP16 6TB                              |
| Fiona Frank          | 7, Parva Springs Tintern NP16 6TY                                  |
| Gemma Wood           | The Nurtons Tintern NP16 7NX                                       |
| Heather Davies       | Hillside, Forge Road, Tintern                                      |
| Heidi Fforde         | Holmleigh Tintern Chepstow Monmouthshire NP16 6SG                  |
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| Jennie christie      | Ty Ffynnon, Forge Road, Tintern, NP16 6TJ                          |
| Joan Sheldon         | Yew Tree Cottage Tintern NP16 6SQ                                  |
| John Livermore       | Abbey View Chapel Lane Tintern Monmouthshire NP16 6SF              |
| Lena Walliman        | Lincot, the fence Nr st briavels Lydney Glos gl156qq               |
| Les Collins          | Medhope Lodge Tintern NP16 7NX                                     |
| Lesley Sterry        | Meadowland Kingsmark Lane Chepstow NP16 5 Lz                       |
| Liz Grace            | Tanglewood Llandogo  |
| Lucie Horup          | Sunnybank Forge Road Tintern                                       |
| Lucy Edgar           | Rose Bank, Llandogo, Monmouthshire. NP25 4TA.                      |
| Margaret Sturcke     | Raglan House, 3, The Cloisters, Chepstow, Monmouthshire. NP16 5UA. |
| Mary Simpson         | Forest View Whitelye Chepstow NP16 6NP                             |
| Maureen Davey        | Parva Barns Cottage Monmouth Road Tintern NP16 6SQ                 |
| Natalie jackson      | 2 Beech Cottage Glynwood lane Tintern Np16 6tj                     |
| Nick Day             | 7, Parva Springs, Tintern NP16 6TY                                 |
| Osian England        | Dovecotte Cottage Tintern NP16 7NX                                 |
| Peter Vrettos        | Parva Farmhouse Cottage Tintern, Chepstow.                         |
| Rachel Davies        | Record Bailey lane hewelsfield lydney glos gl15 6xe                |
| Rebecca Pearce       | Poppy Cottage, Barbadoes Hill, Tintern. NP16 6SX                   |
| Rev K R Prime        | 5 Badger's Dene, The Narth, Monmouth NP25 4QU                      |
| Revd RoseMary Dagger | Fox Cottage Llandogo NP25 4TA                                      |
| Reverand Nora Hill   | 3 Warwick Close Chepstow Mon np16 5bu                              |
| Sarah Adams          | The Old Bakery Tintern Monmouthshire NP16 6TH                      |
| Stephen adams        | The old bakery Glynwood lane Tintern Np16 6th                      |
| Stephen Evans        | 5 Parva Springs Tintern Monmouthshire NP16 6TY                     |
| Steve Taylor         | Old Furnace Cottage Tintern Chepstow Monmouthshire                 |
| Steven England       | Dovecote Cottage The Nurtons Tintern NP16 7NX                      |
| Sue Packer           | The Nurtons Tintern Monmouthshire NP16 7NX                         |
| Susan Evans          | 5 Parva Springs Tintern Chepstow Monmouthshire NP16 6TY            |
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| Thomas Vrettos       | Parva Farmhouse Cottage Tintern, Chepstow.                         |

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| Tracy Holloway  | Gurlus Grove Barbadoes Tintern NP16 6ST                           |
| Vanessa Dodd    | Ty Awen Tintern Parva Chepstow NP16 6SQ                           |
| Virginia Rayner | Hazel Grove Trellech Road Tintern Chepstow Monmouthshire NP16 6SN |
| Vivien Richards | Upper Leytons Tintern NP16 6SD                                    |