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Report subject	Traffic Regulation Orders – Sub-report D - Lower Blandford Road
Meeting date	9 October 2019
Status	Public Report
Executive summary	To consider representations to the advertisement of a 30mph speed limit in Higher Blandford Road
Recommendations	It is RECOMMENDED that: The Order is confirmed as advertised
Reason for recommendations	There have been requests for a 30mph speed limit in this road for many years, and indeed there were two letters of support for the proposal.
Portfolio Holder(s):	Councillor Andy Hadley (Portfolio Holder for Transport and Infrastructure)
Corporate Director	Bill Cotton (Corporate Director of Regeneration and Economy)
Contributors	Steve Dean – Traffic Management Engineer
Wards	Broadstone
Classification	For Decision

Background

1. A 30mph limit was advertised between 25 July and 15 August 2019 – The response to the advertisement is summarised in the appendix.

Summary of financial implications

2. The Traffic Regulation Order has already been advertised and the cost of introducing the relevant signing changes is in the order of £5,000.

Summary of legal implications

3. Highways Authorities are required to give formal consideration to any representations received during the advertisement period

Summary of human resources implications

4. None

Summary of environmental impact

5. None.

Summary of public health implications

6. None

Summary of equality implications

7. The Traffic Regulation Orders do not have direct equality implications

Summary of risk assessment

8. None

Background papers

Minutes of Poole Council Transportation Advisory Group 12 March 2019

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Summary of representations, and responses to issues raised

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Summary of Representations, and Responses to Issues Raised

Representations

One letter of objection has been received and two letters of support.

The objector feels that the speed limit change is unnecessary and could actually lead to problems if drivers tailgate, or overtake vehicles that are adhering to a speed limit that others feel is unnecessarily low.

Response

The implications of introducing a 30mph limit in Lower Blandford Road were thoroughly discussed by Poole Council's Transportation Advisory Group (TAG) on 21 March 2019. The TAG resolved that a 30mph limit should be progressed.

Ward Councillor comments

Ward Councillors have been pressing for this speed limit for many years