

## Summary of comments from Public Consultation

No. of Comments	Comments	Officer Comments
18	Concerned about speed cushions damaging cars.	Speeds cushions are designed so that if they are traversed at the correct speed then they are very unlikely to damage a car.
13	The scheme is a waste of Council money (Taxpayer's money).	See paragraph 3.4 of the report.
12	Parked cars and potholes already calm traffic.	Parked cars often act as a form of traffic calming. However the results of the traffic surveys show that physical measures are required to achieve the required 20mph.
11	Speed cushion funds / materials would be better spent filling potholes or resurfacing roads.	Using any available funding to resurface roads in another part of the district would not address the petition and the resident's wishes for a 20mph speed limit.
10	Support for a 20mph speed restriction only without physical measures.	See paragraph 3.1 of the report.
9	Do not consider there is a speeding problem in the area.	This comment is not borne out but the 136 signature petition or the 140 of the 198 responses to the public consultation.
9	Happy with scheme, the sooner it is introduced the better.	Comment noted.
7	Aware of only occasional speeding.	See paragraph 3.4 of the report.
7	Parking is an issue at school times.	Although there are often parking issues at school times, this would not be addressed as part of the 20mph speed limit zone.
6	Cars use Paynesdown Road as a rat run between the A4 and Lower Way.	See paragraph 3.3 of the report.
6	Concerned about speed cushions affecting access to property.	Speed cushions would be located so that they do not affect residents using their entrance.
6	Cushions will create noise, vibration, pollution and will not stop the 15% of habitual speeders.	As with all types of vertical deflections there is some ground borne vibration and noise. However this would be minimal due to the distance the properties are from the speed cushions.

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6	Not enough cushions in scheme.	The spacing of the cushions have designed to avoid private entrances whilst reducing speeds to 20mph.
6	Cars race down Crowfield Road from new part of estate.	Crowfield Road is included within the scheme and speed cushions would be introduced to reduce traffic speeds to 20mph.
5	Concerned about cushions damaging peoples backs, harming ambulance patients and vulnerable people	Speeds cushions are designed so that if they are traversed at the correct speed then any discomfort would be minimal. The emergency services including the ambulance service are consulted on all road hump / speed cushion proposals.
5	Concerned about children's safety.	Comment noted.
4	Parking and obstruction issues with the school.	Parking issues would not be addressed as part of the 20mph speed limit zone.
3	Was not asked to participate in Petition - Not representative	Comment noted.
3	Cushions in Asbourne Way will be used as bike & skateboard ramps	This is not the experience form other roads with speed cushions.
3	There are too many humps (Speed cushions) in Thatcham already.	Traffic calming schemes consisting of speed cushions are only introduced to address road safety issues and following extensive consultation with the local residents.
2	Alter priority/improve marking at Bourne Paynesdown junction.	The markings guide drivers into Paynesdown Road and altering the markings may result in traffic inadvertently travelling straight down Bourne Road and having to turn around.
2	The scheme should be in Paynesdown Road only.	For a 20mph speed limit zone to be introduced means that the adjoining culs de sac also require physical features.
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2	People are perceiving problems where none exist.	See paragraph 3.4 of the report.
2	Lower Way also needs looking at.	Lower Way does not form part of the Paynesdown Road area scheme and would therefore need to be treated as a separate scheme.
2	Parking an issue need more yellow lines.	Parking issues are not being addressed as part of the 20mph speed limit zone.
2	Speed humps will divert school traffic through garage access road.	Should the scheme be introduced this could be monitored.