

## Individual Executive Member Decision

<b>Title of Report:</b>	<b>B4000, A4 to Stockcross 50 mph speed limit order</b>
<b>Report to be considered by:</b>	Individual Executive Member Decision
<b>Date on which Decision is to be taken:</b>	20 November 2015
<b>Forward Plan Ref:</b>	ID3047

**Purpose of Report:** To inform the Executive Member for Highways, Transport and Emergency Planning of the proposed speed limit, as agreed by the speed limit review panel in October 2014.

**Recommended Action:** That the Executive Member for Highways, Transport and Emergency Planning resolves to approve the recommendations as set out in section 4 of this report.

**Reason for decision to be taken:** As a result of formal consultation one objection has been received, original decision to be reconsidered in the light of this objection.

**Other options considered:** Not applicable.

**Key background documentation:** E mail objection.  
Minutes of Speed limit review

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## Implications

- Policy:** The consultation is in accordance with the Council's Consultation Procedures.
- Financial:** The implementation of the speed limit will be funded from the approved capital programme.
- Personnel:** None arising from this report.
- Legal/Procurement:** The sealing of the traffic regulation order will be undertaken by Legal Services.
- Property:** None arising from this report
- Risk Management:** None arising from this report.

### Corporate Board's Recommendation:

Is this item relevant to equality?	Please tick relevant boxes	Yes	No
Does the policy affect service users, employees or the wider community and:			
• Is it likely to affect people with particular protected characteristics differently?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• Is it a major policy, significantly affecting how functions are delivered?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• Will the policy have a significant impact on how other organisations operate in terms of equality?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• Does the policy relate to functions that engagement has identified as being important to people with particular protected characteristics?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• Does the policy relate to an area with known inequalities?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Outcome</b> (Where one or more 'Yes' boxes are ticked, the item is relevant to equality)			
Relevant to equality - Complete an EIA available at <a href="http://intranet/EqIA">http://intranet/EqIA</a>			<input type="checkbox"/>
Not relevant to equality			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## Consultation Responses

### Members:

- Leader of Council:** Councillor Gordon Lundie - To date no response has been received from Councillor Gordon Lundie, however any comments will be verbally reported at the Individual Decision meeting.
- Overview & Scrutiny Management Commission Chairman:** Councillor Emma Webster - To date no response has been received from Councillor emma Webster, however any comments will be verbally reported at the Individual Decision meeting.
- Ward Members:** Councillor Paul Bryant and Councillor Marcus Franks - To date no response has been received from either Councillor Paul Bryant or Councillor Marcus Franks, however any comments will be verbally reported at the Individual Decision meeting.

**Opposition Spokesperson:**

Councillor Billy Drummond -To date no response has been received from Councillor Billy Drummond, however any comments will be verbally reported at the Individual Decision meeting.

**Local Stakeholders:**

Have been consulted as part of the statutory consultation process

**Officers Consulted:**

Mark Edwards and Mark Cole

**Trade Union:**

N/A

<b>Is this item subject to call-in?</b>	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No: <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>If not subject to call-in please put a cross in the appropriate box:</p> <p>The item is due to be referred to Council for final approval <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Delays in implementation could have serious financial implications for the Council <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Delays in implementation could compromise the Council's position <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Considered or reviewed by Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission or associated Task Groups within preceding six months <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Item is Urgent Key Decision <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Report is to note only <input type="checkbox"/></p>		

## Supporting Information

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### 1. Background

- 1.1 The speed limit on this section of road was first considered in 2009 as part of the assessment of all A and B class roads, at that time it was decided the national limit was appropriate.
- 1.2 As a result of local concerns, raised by Members, the limit was considered again by the speed limit review panel in August 2012. At that meeting it was decided to leave the limit unchanged but to investigate if improved signing and lining was needed, subsequently this was discounted.
- 1.3 At the speed limit review panel in October 2014 the limit was considered again, the minutes to this meeting are attached, a 40mph limit was requested but a 50mph limit was agreed. This was confirmed by ID report.

### 2. Responses to Statutory Consultation

- 2.1 After advertisement of the proposed traffic order, one objection was received which is the subject of this decision. In the three years prior to advertisement there were no injury accidents recorded on the road, since then one has occurred, this was a slight injury and involved a car running into the rear of another which was waiting to turn right.

### 3. Equalities Impact Assessment Outcomes

- 3.1 The recommendations in this report do not impact on equality issues so no Equality Impact Assessment has been undertaken.

### 4. Conclusion

- 4.1 Although there is no recent history of speed related accidents, there is long standing concern about safety, particularly for vehicles turning right into the golf course and hotel.

### 5. Recommendation

- 5.1 The speed limit should be introduced as agreed by the speed limit review panel and the objector should be informed accordingly.

## Appendices

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- Appendix A - Minutes of speed limit review October 2014
- Appendix B - Objection from Mr Deans