

# West Berkshire District Council Individual Executive Member Decision Record Sheet


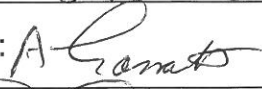



Forward Plan Reference	Service Grouping
ID2470	Environment
<b>Title:</b>	<b>A4 Padworth – Proposed 50mph Speed Limit</b>
<b>Recommendation by Officer:</b>	That the Executive Member for Highways, Transport (Operational), ICT & Customer Services resolves to approve the recommendations as set out in Section 4 of the report.
<b>Purpose of Report:</b>	To inform the Executive Member for Highways, Transport (Operational), ICT & Customer Services of the responses received during the statutory consultation on the proposed 50mph Speed Limit on the A4 at Padworth and to seek approval of the recommendations.
<b>Decision Taken:</b>	As 'Recommendation by Officer' above.
<b>Reason for Decision Taken:</b>	To enable the proposed speed limit to be introduced.
<b>Options Considered:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Those Consulted and a Summary of Comments Received:</b>	<p>Councillor Graham Jones, Leader of Council; Councillor Brian Bedwell, Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission Chairman; Ward Members and Councillor Keith Woodhams, Opposition Spokesperson.</p> <p>Councillors Bedwell and Irene Neill (Aldermaston Ward) support the proposals for a single carriageway but feel that a speed limit should not be installed on the length which is dual carriageway.</p> <p>Councillor Geoff Mayes (Padworth Ward) commented that the dual carriageway section should stay at 60 mph.</p> <p>Councillor Woodhams is also of the view that the A4 needs to remain signed at 60 mph, apart from towns and villages. He feels that chopping and changing the speed limit will cause confusion. He is not in support of a 50 mph speed limit on the dual carriageway as this is the earliest section of road where eastbound cars can overtake lorries safely.</p>
<b>Background Papers:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• E-mail objection – 3 February 2012.</li> <li>• Minutes of the Speed Limit Review – 20 December 2010.</li> <li>• Individual Decision (ID2144) – Speed Limit Review December 2010.</li> <li>• Plan No SLR/10/04/002A</li> </ul>
<b>Exempt Information:</b>	None

<b>Declarations of Interest:</b>	None
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I confirm that I have fully advised and have taken account of all the relevant facts in making this decision.

<b>Is the Decision subject to Call In</b>		<b>Date Decision Made</b>	<b>Date Decision will be Implemented (5 clear days)</b>
Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No: <input type="checkbox"/>	26 April 2012	4 May 2012

<b>Portfolio Member:</b>	Signed: 	Councillor David Betts
<b>Director or representative:</b>	Signed: 	Print Name: Andrew Garratt
<b>Witnessed by:</b>	 <i>on behalf of Head of Strategic Support</i>	Print Name: Stephen Chard
<b>Date:</b>	26 April 2012	