OFFICER DECISION REPORT – TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO)

INFORMAL CONSULTATION

PREPARED BY: Traffic Management Team, Highways and Transport Group

TITLE OF REPORT:	Various Roads, Timsbury
PROPOSAL:	Proposed 20mph Speed Limit
SCHEME REF No:	22 – 030
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1. DELEGATION

The delegation to be exercised in this report is contained within **Part 3**, **Section 4** of the Constitution under the **Delegation of Functions to Officers**, as follows:

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Section A	The Chief Executive, Strategic Directors, Divisional Directors and Heads of Service have delegated power to take any decision falling within their area of responsibility"
Section B	Without prejudice to the generality of this, Officers are authorised to: serve any notices and make, amend or revoke any orders falling within his/her area of responsibility.
Section D9	An Officer to whom a power, duty or function is delegated may nominate or authorise another Officer to exercise that power, duty or function, provided that Officer reports to or is responsible to the delegator.

For the purposes of this report, the Director of Place Management holds the delegated power to make, amend or revoke any Orders.

2. <u>LEGAL AUTHORITY</u>

This proposal is made in accordance with the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, which under Section 1 provides, generally, for Orders to be made for the following reasons, and in the case of this report specifically for the reason(s) shown below:

(a)	for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising, or	X
(b)	for preventing damage to the road or to any building on or near the road, or	
(c)	for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians), or	X

	character of the road or adjoining property,	
(e)	(without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (d) above) for preserving the character of the road in a case where it is specially suitable for use by persons on horseback or on foot, or	
(f)	for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs, or	X
(g)	for any of the purposes specified in paragraphs (a) to (c) of subsection (1) of section 87 of the Environment Act 1995 (air quality)	

3. PROPOSAL

To reduce the existing 30mph speed limit to a 20mph speed limit on the identified sections of road.

The existing speed limits are shown in *Appendix A* and the proposed speed limit are shown in *Appendix B*.

4. BACKGROUND

Following requests from the Parish Council, with support from Ward Members, funding has been secured to introduce a number of pedestrian improvements on The Avenue in Timsbury.

To improve accessibility and safety for pedestrians using The Avenue, a buildout will be introduced for pedestrians to safely cross the road to a new footway that is to be constructed. In addition to this, it is proposed to introduce a 'give and take' system to manage traffic movements through the road narrowing. Motorists travelling south on The Avenue towards the buildout will need to 'give way' to oncoming traffic.

To improve safety and the operation of this give and take system, it has been deemed appropriate to reduce the existing 30mph speed limit on The Avenue, and adjoining roads, to a 20mph speed limit.

Lowering the speed limit on the identified sections of road will also correspond with the existing 20mph speed limits that are in force south of The Avenue and on North Road, where there is a new housing development being built.

It is anticipated that the proposed 20mph speed limit will contribute to providing a safer environment for the expanding community and the resultant increase in pedestrian and cycling activities. The proposed reduction of the speed limit will also encourage lower speeds when approaching the new physical measures to be introduced on The Avenue.

In addition to the above speed limit proposal, the Parish Council has also requested that we take this opportunity to extend the existing 20mph speed limit on Lippiatt Lane for its entire length.

5. <u>SOURCE OF FINANCE</u>

This proposal is being funded through the 2022/23 Transport Improvement Programme.

6. CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT

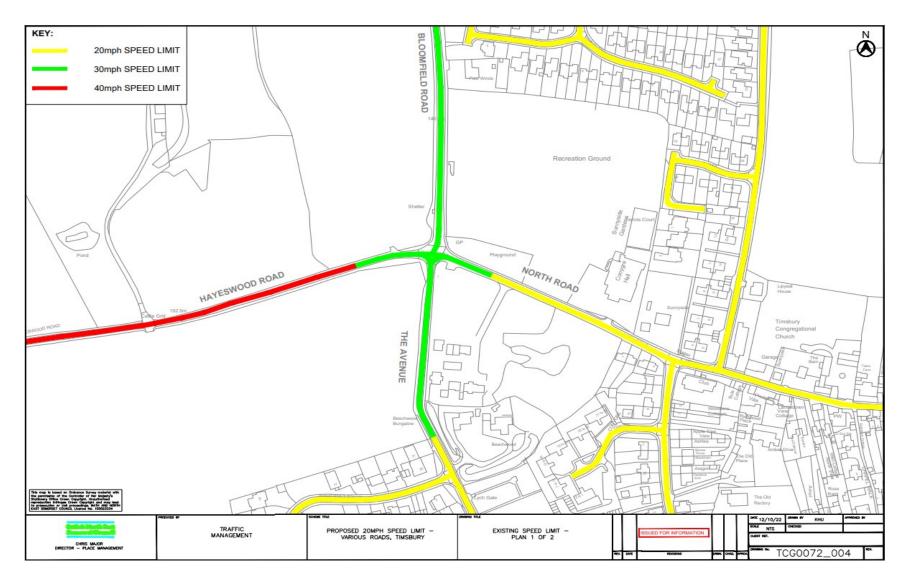
The proposal requires informal consultation with the Chief Constable, Ward Members, and the Cabinet Member for Transport.

PROPOSAL(S) APPROVED FOR INFORMAL CONSULTATION WITH THE CHIEF CONSTABLE AND WARD MEMBERS.

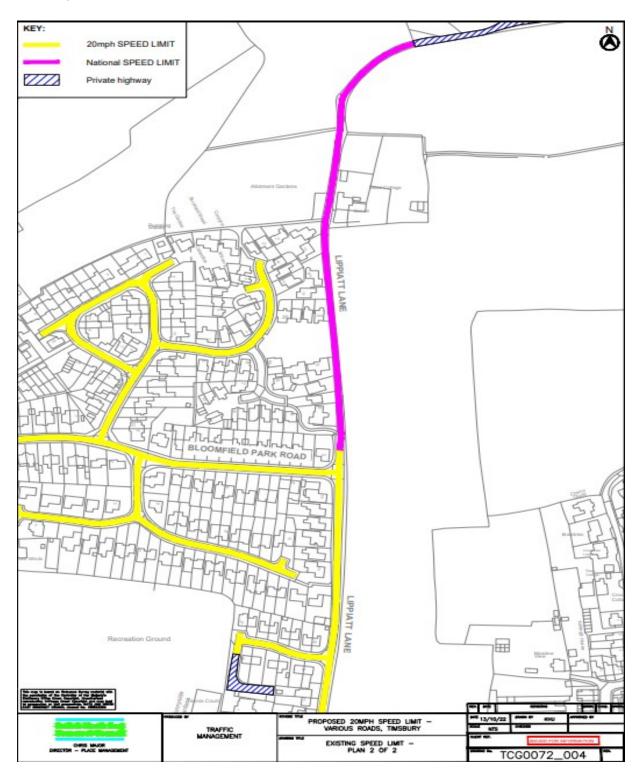
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Date: 30th November 2022

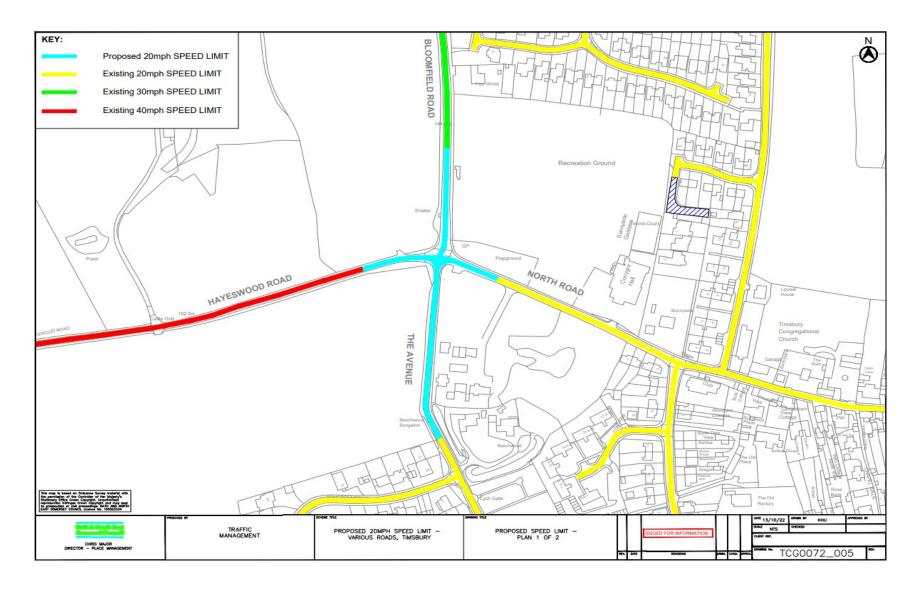
APPENDIX A – Existing Plan 1 of 2



Existing Plan 2 of 2



<u>APPENDIX B</u> – Proposed Plan 1 of 2



Proposed Plan 2 of 2

