

Reference: 23294



To: Place Permanent TRO (Place)

You replied to this message on 30/05/2022 07:59.

Reply Reply All Forward Mon 23/05/2022 20:10

To Executive Director, I would like to inform you of my objection to the proposed speed changes outlines in the notification for Sheffield Road.

- 1) There is no footpath on one side reducing risk to pedestrians
- 2) There has not been any major incident or accident as evidence that this stretch of road poses a danger
- 3) There is an unnecessary cost in implementing the speed limit to return no actual benefit in safety
- 4) Peak times this road is congested which limits speed naturally to less than the current level but allows free flow at reasonable progress when out of peak
- 5) Reducing the speed limit will increase brake usage on cars where today engine braking down the hill is commonplace reducing emissions

This is one of a few vital roads to service the entry and exit of Dronfield reducing this limit is not required. This road already has an increase in congestion due to poor planning from the Unstone route where traffic builds up more at peak times so the bypass has become more convenient. Its very unfortunate that the council will consider changes like this based off some unhappy people who have a biased view of the matter and portray little fact to support the change. I would be interested to know if there are additional facts that are not well known that could be provided regarding this decision.

King Regards,

Re change of speed limit on Bowshaw at DRONFIELD



To: Place Permanent TRO (Place)

You replied to this message on 30/05/2022 08:03.

Reply Reply All Forward Mon 23/05/2022 18:08

My personal feeling is that the current speed limit of 40mph reflects the nature of the road and keeps the traffic moving smoothly along this main road in and out of the town . I would be disappointed if it was reduced to 30mph .

Sent from my iPhone

RE: 2022 05 11 - B6057 PermSpdLmt Order - Consultation Email TRO Form E



To:

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Reply Reply All Forward Sun 29/05/2022 14:17

Dear

The Council considered the attached consultation and would like to ask that the 30mph section is also between the Old Boat Yard and the entrance to the Peak Resort for consistency for drivers.

Many Thanks

B6057 Bowshaw, Dronfield speed limit consultation.



To: Place Permanent TRO (Place)

You replied to this message on 13/06/2022 10:15.

Reply Reply All Forward Fri 10/06/2022 03:06

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am strongly opposed to the reduction of the speed limit on Bowshaw, Dronfield from 40 mph to 30 mph.

I have 2 serious concerns, of which I don't think either have been thought about sufficiently.

Firstly, it's the (virtual) merging of settlements, but not just the merging of one town into another town, but the merging of Derbyshire into South Yorkshire. I don't think that's an acceptable thing to propose. Whenever driving from one built up area to another it would be normal to expect an increase in speed limit to differentiate the suburbs or towns etc.

Take the following examples.

- Dronfield to Unstone a 40 mph section.
- Dronfield Woodhouse to Holmesfield 40 mph section.
- Dronfield Woodhouse to Dore and Totley 50 mph section.
- Coal Aston to Batemoor 40 mph section.
- Coal Aston towards Eckington 50 mph.

All those examples are in Derbyshire and are a few hundred metres in length, so why would anyone see fit that removing the 40 mph Derbyshire settlement gap on the main road in and out of Dronfield as an acceptable thing to do? Do I think that Derbyshire should be (virtually) joined up to the South Yorkshire border? Well my answer is a definite NO!!!

The other main concern is, currently as it's a 40 mph road it prevents parking on the road at night without lights, but if it's reduced to 30 mph then this makes it possible for cars to park at night, hence this proposal will be encouraging parking. When cars do park, they park on the footpath and they completely block it. As there is no footpath on the other side of the road to walk on, it forces pedestrians into the road. Bearing in mind that it's a B road and the main road into Dronfield, it is another serious issue of concern for me.

The other issue with excessive parking on that road by residents is that it would cause bottlenecks (which I think both will occur if the speed limit is reduced) bearing in mind that it is the ONLY road into Dronfield for high lorries to use. It's impossible for them to come through Unstone into Dronfield because the railway bridge that goes over the road near the Dronfield Arms pub is too low for high lorries to pass under.

I hope that you take all these points into account with the consultation and refuse to spend taxpayers money reducing the speed limit here, especially when the money could be spent more wisely on other road projects.

It would be interesting to know from the police what the figures are for serious road traffic accidents are on that stretch of road, as I'm sure that's something Derbyshire County Council should also take into account before spending ANY taxpayers money reducing the speed limit.

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FAO Chris Henning Ref Z3294 Speed Limit Reduction Proposal



To Place Permanent TRO (Place)

You replied to this message on 30/05/2022 08:06.

Reply Reply All Forward

Tue 24/05/2022 22:45

Dear Chris

Can I register my objection to this proposal.

One of the main reasons for reducing the speed is traffic noise, if the road surface was smooth and the manhole covers fitted correctly then the noise would be reduced,, even at 30mph the noise will still be there.

It was also stated that it will reduce accidents, of which I have not heard of any or seen any despite using the road at least a twice a day for my commute to/from work, so would like to know if this is a factor Derbyshire County Council is basing the proposal on and the possibly of the decision to reduce the limit to 30mph, what are the accident figures?

The Dronfield Counsellor ( ) who is one the main people fronting this is, stated in Dronfield Eye (May 2022) that the reduction will improve noise pollution for residents and she happens to live at the house as you go into the 40mph and as you accelerate up the hill, so not sure as a counsellor she can give an objective view.

I don't feel that residents have been given a fair chance to raise views as the only way to found out how to this, is stopping either in a bus stop or on a yellow line to view the posters. I have tried to find it online and contacted both the Derbyshire County Council, I received an email back saying that the consultation doesn't open till 12th May, but no details and my local town counsellor, as not got back to me despite several emails.

Many thanks

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