

# DELEGATED DECISIONS BY CABINET MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT

11 DECEMBER 2025

## OXFORD TO CAVERSHAM: A4074 CORRIDOR – PROPOSED 40MPH & 50MPH SPEED LIMITS (ADMINISTRATIVE AMENDMENT)

Report by Director of Environment and Highways

### RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet Member is RECOMMENDED to:

- (a) **Approve the introduction of the following 50mph speed limit, as advertised:**
  - (i) **A4074 (Berinsfield to Shillingford).**

### Executive Summary

1. Due to an administrative error, one section of the A4074 (Berinsfield to Shillingford) was omitted from the recommendation contained within the report that was presented to, and approved at, the Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Transport Management Meeting on 09th October 2025.
2. The Berinsfield to Shillingford section, otherwise known as the Dorchester Bypass, was proposed to have a reduction of the speed limit from National Speed Limit to 50mph, as shown in **Annex 1**.
3. Details of the consultation, responses and officer responses to objections and concerns relevant to all highway sections, including Berinsfield to Shillingford, were presented in the report on 9th October. Therefore, these matters are not included in this current amendment report, which is intended to formally obtain an approval as this section does not appear in the published Decisions list.

### Corporate Policies and Priorities

4. Of the nine priorities identified within the 'Oxfordshire Strategic Plan 2022-2025', the proposals support priority no.3 by reducing the risk to road users, with the nine priorities listed below:
  - (1) Put action to address the climate emergency at the heart of our work.
  - (2) Tackle inequalities in Oxfordshire.
  - (3) Prioritise the health and wellbeing of residents.

- (4) Support carers and the social care system.
- (5) Invest in an inclusive, integrated and sustainable transport network.
- (6) Preserve and improve access to nature and green spaces.
- (7) Create opportunities for children and young people to reach their full potential.
- (8) Play our part in a vibrant and participatory local democracy.
- (9) Work with local businesses and partners for environmental, economic and social benefit.

## **Financial Implications**

5. Funding for consultation on the proposals (and implementation if approved) has been provided by the County Council's Vision Zero programme.

## **Legal Implications**

6. The consultation that has been undertaken complies with the consultation requirements for the various elements as required by law including under the Highways Act 1980, the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and any other relevant legislation.
7. The scheme has been promoted by Oxfordshire County Council as the Highway Authority and Traffic Authority under the Highways Act 1980, and the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

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## **Staff Implications**

8. The design & appraisal of the proposals, as well as the consultation process have been undertaken by Officers from the 'Vision Zero' and 'TRO & Schemes' teams as part of their regular day-to-day duties, with no additional/negative impact on capacity expected.

## **Equality & Inclusion Implications**

8. No negative implications in respect of equalities or inclusion have been identified in respect of the proposals.

## **Sustainability Implications**

9. The proposals aim to reduce vehicle speeds to safer levels for all motorists & road users, specifically those considered to be more vulnerable, including pedestrians, cyclists, equestrians, and motorcyclists.

## **Risk Management**

10. No potential significant health and safety or service provision risks, or potentially significant financial impacts have been identified.

## **Formal Consultation**

11. Please refer to the background papers, the report to the 09th October meeting.

## **Officer response to objections/concerns**

12. Please refer to the background papers, the report to the 09th October meeting.

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**Director of Environment and Highways**

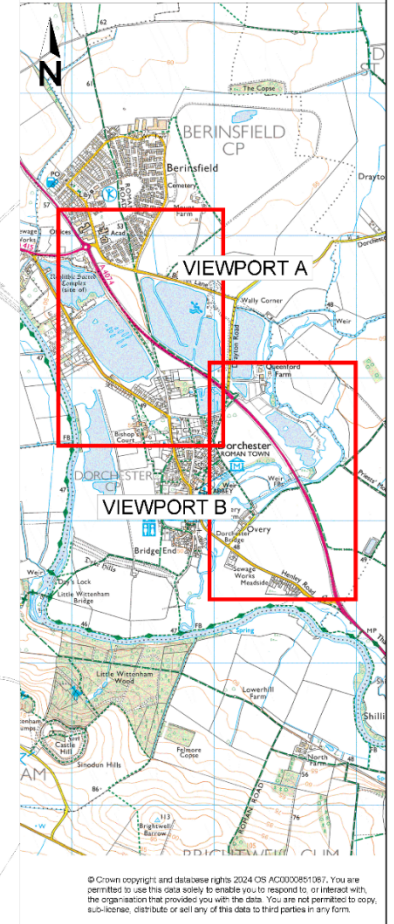
Annex(es):                      Annex 1: Consultation plan

Background papers:            Report from Delegated Decisions by Cabinet Member for Transport Management 9th October 2025.

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**Proposed 50mph speed limit to replace national speed limit between Berinsfield Roundabout and Shillingford LOCATION PLAN**



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	Proposed 50mph (existing National Speed Limit)
	Existing 40mph to remain

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**FOR CONSULTATION**

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**A4074 DORCHESTER BYPASS PROPOSED 50MPH SPEED LIMITS**

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