



1 September 2024

Dear Councillor Gant,

**BANBURY: PROPOSED 20MPH SPEED LIMITS**

I live on Cope Road in central Banbury and supported the previous proposals for 20mph speed limits in the town.

I am concerned that leaving the 30mph speed limit on the A361 Southam Road immediately north of its junction with the B4100 Warwick Road outside St Marys Primary School is less safe for school children crossing the road. I note that many of those objecting to the introduction of 20mph speed limits (including some local councillors and the previous MP) accept that they may still be suitable when targeted on roads outside schools. Therefore, I am requesting that exception f) be removed from the recommendation.

Then, concerning the A361 North Bar Street, Horsefair and South Bar Street between their junctions with the B4100 Warwick Road and A361 Bloxham Road, this is running through the heart of the town centre, and I note that a pedestrian died on a pedestrian crossing here on 24 March 2023 because of dangerous driving. I am concerned that more pedestrian deaths will occur if we wait for any "planned comprehensive review of the town centre". Therefore, I am requesting that exception a) should also be removed from the recommendation.

Yours faithfully,

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