

Divisions affected: *Witney North and East; Witney South and Central; Witney West and Bampton*

## **CABINET MEMBER FOR HIGHWAY MANAGEMENT – 21 JULY 2022**

### **WITNEY: PROPOSED 20MPH, 30MPH & 40MPH SPEED LIMITS**

Report by Corporate Director, Environment and Place

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. The Cabinet Member for Environment is RECOMMENDED to approve the proposed introduction of 20mph, 30mph and 40mph speed limits as advertised.

#### **Executive summary**

2. This report presents responses received to a statutory consultation on the proposed introduction of 20mph, 30mph and 40mph speed limits at Witney as shown in **Annex 1**.

#### **Financial Implications**

3. Funding for consultation on the proposals and implementation (if approved) has been provided by the 20mph Programme 2022-23.

#### **Equality and Inclusion Implications**

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

#### **Sustainability Implications**

5. The proposals would help facilitate walking and cycling within Witney and the safe movement of traffic.

#### **Consultation**

6. Formal consultation was carried out between 15 June and 8 July 2022. A notice was published in the Witney Gazette newspaper, and an email sent to statutory consultees, including: Thames Valley Police, the Fire & Rescue Service, Ambulance service, Bus operators, countywide transport, access & disabled

peoples user groups, West Oxfordshire District Council, Witney Town Council, and the local County Councillors representing the Witney North & East, Witney South & Central, and Witney West & Bampton divisions.

- 297 responses were received in total during the formal consultation, with 288 being received through the online questionnaire, and these are summarised in the table below:

<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Object</b>	<b>Concerns</b>	<b>Support</b>	<b>No opinion/ objection</b>	<b>Total</b>
20mph speed limit	151	42	93	2	288
30mph speed limit	103	39	126	20	288
40mph speed limit	116	42	108	22	288

- Additionally, 9 emails (4 from statutory consultees) were also received, comprising of: 4 objections, 2 expressing concerns, and 3 in support.
- The full responses are shown at **Annex 2**, and copies of the original responses are available for inspection by County Councillors.

## **Response to objections and other comments**

- The consultation focused primarily on the proposal to reduce many 30mph speed limits within the town to 20mph, although other limit reductions (30mph & 40mph) were also proposed on the more strategic routes. The 20mph limit proposals were supported by 96 respondents in total.
- Of the 297 responses, 155 objected to and a further 44 expressed concerns specifically to the proposals for 20mph limits. The main concerns expressed (many cited several) which were identified in relation to this are summarised in the table below:

<b>Objection/Concern</b>	<b>Number of objectors citing this Concern</b>	<b>Number of responses expressing concern citing this Concern</b>
Not Required / No Benefit	94	12
Increased Delays / Congestion	43	8
Inappropriate / Waste of Money	25	7
Increased Pollution / Extra Fuel Costs	20	8
Will Create Frustration / Make Worse	20	9
Support 20 Mph in Residential Areas but not on Main Roads	19	21
Safety will be Compromised	17	4
Reduced Respect for Speed Limits	6	4
Will Not Be Enforced	4	3

Additional Sign Clutter	3	-
Adverse Effect on Witney Economy	1	2
Adverse Effect on Disadvantaged People	1	-
Adverse Effect on Emergency Response Times	1	1
Jubilee Way should Remain 50 mph	4	2

12. Some of the group supported other limits whilst some objected or expressed concern to some or all speed limit changes. Most of those who objected or raised a concern listed Witney as their place of residence/business, although others came from surrounding villages, and 5 from further away.
13. Of the statutory consultees, Thames Valley Police objected to aspects of the proposals, whilst not objecting to the 20 proposals despite its large extent.
14. Stagecoach Bus Company also raised an objection – citing the likelihood of presenting more problems for the sustainability of bus services in Witney due to the potential impact on traffic, especially the on key arterial roads used by regular inter-urban bus services. Officers will be working with the bus companies to ensure that the impact on services is minimal. This will include broader work around bus journey reliability times across the county
15. Whilst officers accept the concerns that have been raised in the objections the main purpose of the scheme is to help encourage greater use of active travel by slowing speeds down on the public highway. Slower speeds will also help to improve road safety in the area. It is felt that the benefits of 20mph restrictions far outweigh the concerns that have been raised.
16. Witney Town Council supported the proposals, although did raise concerns about some aspects of the draft documentation. Officers have noted these discrepancies and will ensure that if the proposals are approved the final legal documentation will be checked to ensure completeness & accuracy, and that the scheme aims as expected by the council are met as much as possible.
17. West Oxfordshire District Council also supported the proposals but were keen to ensure that signage be kept to a minimum. Officers again note these concerns and will look to make sure that only the legally required amount of signage is erected to ensure legitimacy of the limits, whilst minimising potential street clutter.
18. Whilst it should be noted that the county council is changing its approach and acceptance of 20mph restrictions, which will enable a much greater coverage across Oxfordshire, the following Officer comments seek to address the main objections & concerns as identified in the summary table above.
19. The aim of reducing speed limits is to change the mindset of drivers to make both speeding socially unacceptable and to encourage more environmentally friendly modes of 'active travel' more attractive i.e. walking and cycling. The

proposals would result in an improvement of road safety for all users, and a reduction of the Counties carbon footprint. This forms part of a countywide programme of works that seeks to deliver 'a safer place with a safer pace'.

20. As stated previously, the council will endeavour to ensure that signing of the new limits (if approved) will be kept to a minimum and applied sympathetically, but will still provide an appropriate reminder to road users of the specific limit.

21. Thames Valley Police will continue to carry out enforcement on a priority need basis where there is a demonstrable problem, in line with their day-to-day operational priorities.

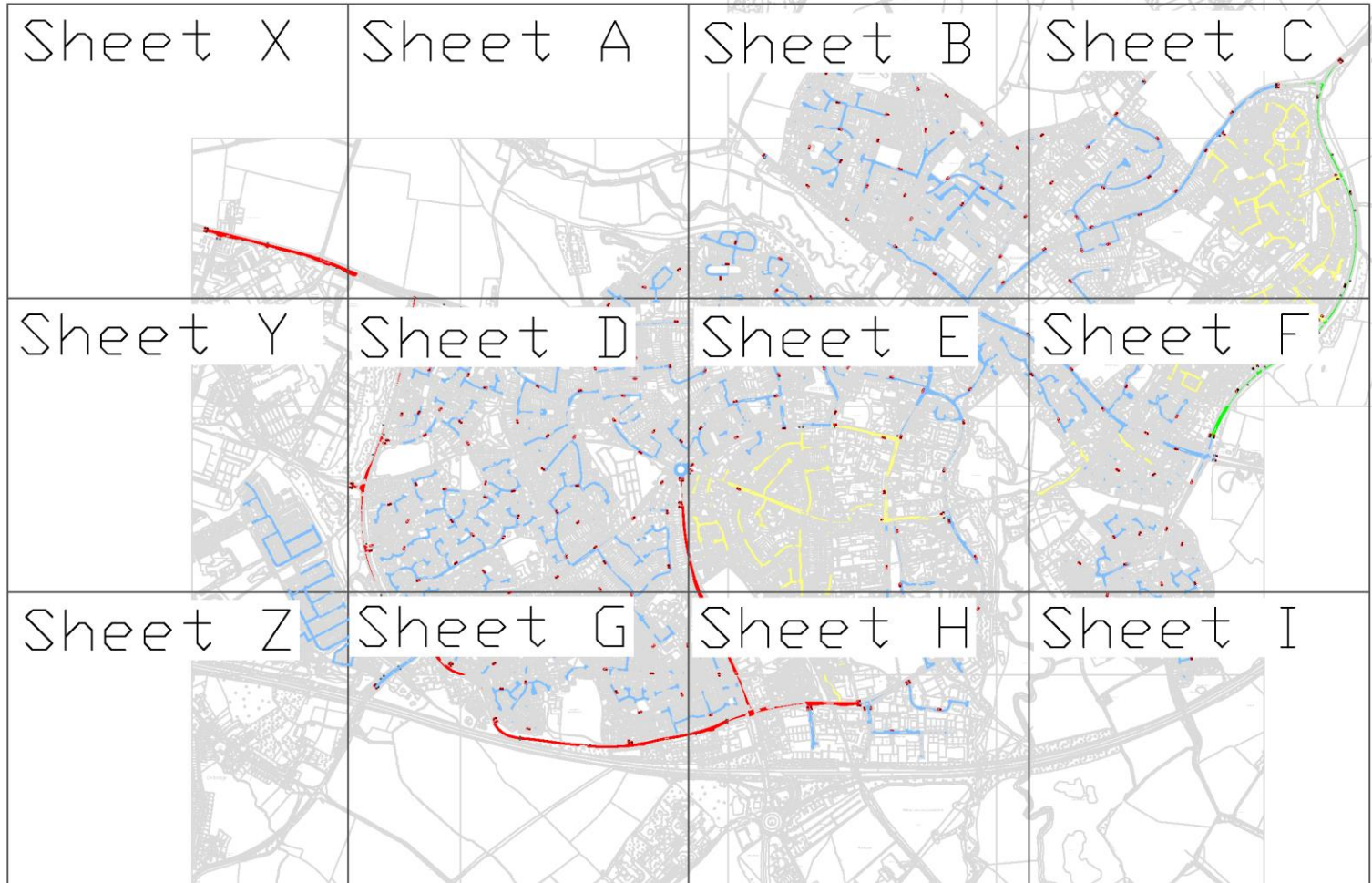
22. Additional monitoring and follow up surveys may be conducted in due course.

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Annexes                              Annex 1: Consultation Plan  
   Annex 2: Consultation responses

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## A. Email responses

(1) Traffic Management Officer, (Thames Valley Police)

**Object** – Thames Valley Police welcome the opportunity to engage on plans for road safety improvement and acknowledge that 20mph limits can be a useful tool in road safety. There are other reasons 20mph limits may be desirable for communities, such as environmental concerns, and creating a shared space environment to encourage greater diversity of road users.

Compliance with 20mph limits is a challenging issue as there is a difference between the achievable results of the various available schemes. For example a sign-only scheme will only have a limited effect on the mean speeds, as opposed to other schemes that influence the road environment, which is recognised as being key to achieving compliance. If a speed limit is set too low and is ignored then this could result in the vulnerable road user being less safe. It can also cause a disproportionate number of drivers to criminalise themselves and could bring the system of speed limits into disrepute.

Thames Valley Police have no policy to enforce based on arbitrary speed limits alone but will enforce based on threat of harm, risk and resourcing. 20mph limits are not excluded from this and will be enforced where appropriate. There should be no expectation that the police would be able to provide regular enforcement if a speed limit is set too low as this could result in an unreasonable additional demand on police resources and there are no additional resources available to support extra enforcement. Messages from partners that police will not enforce need to be discouraged. Such messaging can encourage non-compliance and should be avoided.

The policy of Thames Valley Police is to use sound practical and realistic criteria (Setting local speed limits - GOV.UK ([www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk))) when responding to Highway Authorities in an effort to promote consistency and to reduce the burden of constant and unnecessary enforcement. The advice shown in Circular Roads 1/2013 states.

The key factors that should be taken into account in any decisions on local speed limits are:

- history of collisions
- road geometry and engineering
- road function
- composition of road users (including existing and potential levels of vulnerable road users)
- existing traffic speeds
- road environment

However I recognise Oxfordshire County Council now have their own Policy for Setting 20 mph Speed Limits and I expect full compliance of that policy going forward in relation to both monitoring , future engineering and self-enforcement through Community Speed Watch .

	<p>Our stance remains that primarily 20 mph speed limits and zones should be self-enforcing</p> <p>Speed limits should be considered as part of a package of measures to manage vehicle speeds and improve road safety. Changes to the highway (for example through narrowing, providing vertical traffic calming or re-aligning the road) may be required to encourage lower speeds in addition to any change in speed limit. Though these may be more expensive, they are more likely to be successful in the long term in achieving lower speeds without the need for increased police enforcement to penalise substantial numbers of motorists.</p> <p>In principle I am not objecting to the 20 proposals despite its extent and the nature of some roads being considered . From experience some of these roads have suffered from poor compliance in the past . Substantial engineering should be considered as part of this consultation if your Statement of Reason is ever to be achieved .</p> <p>In relation to the other speed limits being proposed I object on the grounds that National Guidance has not been followed . I am fully aware that Oxfordshire has removed itself from National Guidance in relation to 20 but this did not include any other speed limit .</p> <p>If I can make a separate reference to Deer Park Road by example . This is a very wide open road with little roadside frontage . It already benefits from excellent off road cycle and pedestrian facilities and I feel by reducing it to 30 will only weaken what is normally recognised a 30 road by the majority of motorists.</p>
(2) Witney Town Council	<p><b>Support</b> – Witney Town Council welcomes this consultation which proposes reduced speed limits across Witney.</p> <p>To ensure clarity and accuracy, the Town Council would like to draw attention to the ‘Oxfordshire County Council (Witney Area) (Speed Limits) Order 20**’ and that on point 2. Station Road should read ‘Station Lane’ and point 3. Jubilee Road should read ‘Jubilee Way’.</p> <p>The Town Council also notes disparity between the maps and the attached Schedules of the Order. Windrush Place and Centenary Way are included on the map but not in the schedule, alongside other new residential developments including Guild Close and Kingfisher Meadows. It is imperative for uniformity and simplicity that all residential estates are included within the scheme and the Town Council hopes the opening paragraph for Schedule 1 covers these additional areas.</p> <p>As all other speed limits will be reduced as part of this town-wide scheme, the Town Council would also like to suggest the speed limit in Range Road is reduced to 30mph and its service roads are reduced to 20mph. Range Road provides</p>

	<p>connectivity between Deer park Road and Downs Road, both of which are proposed 30mph speed limits and the service roads off would effectively mirror the speed limit restrictions on the Avenue Service roads from Station Lane, which also contain industrial units.</p> <p>Finally, the Town Council notes specific mention to Avenue One in Schedule 1 of the Order, but Avenue Two is a strategic route encompassing a pedestrian and cycle route to Witney Lake &amp; Country Park and beyond. It would like assurances this vulnerable route is also included in a 20mph zone for the safety of users.</p>
<p>(3) West Oxfordshire District Council</p>	<p><b>Support</b> – We are extremely supportive of speed reductions for the obvious reasons of improving pedestrian and cyclist safety and we support an approach which addresses the speed limits across the town as a whole. We hope to work with you in managing the consistent implementation of the new limits.</p> <p>In terms of the physical impacts, these appear to only consist of speed signs and we would just like to raise the need to keep signage to a minimum (whilst making sure drivers are suitably aware of the speed requirements) to reduce street clutter.</p>
<p>(4) Stagecoach Bus Company</p>	<p><b>Object</b> – We consider it crude, largely unevidenced, and likely to present more problems for the sustainability of bus services in Witney and beyond that it will demonstrably clear positive benefits for pedestrians or cyclists, especially on key arterial roads used by regular inter-urban bus services.</p> <p>This is especially true of the arterial routes east of Bridge Street where</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For extended periods in the daytime, when active travel demand is highest, traffic is exceptionally slow moving, thus the proposals present no practical benefit to active travel modes or, indeed, the wider environment</li> <li>• Alternative and much more attractive active travel infrastructure is being provided that runs parallel to these routes</li> <li>• The positive impact of the 20mph limit would largely be felt only at times when the demand for walking cycling is lowest, but the negative effect on bus productivity would be most keenly felt, disproportionately undermining the attractiveness and viability of bus service at exactly those times of day when they are most marginal.</li> </ul> <p>The existing Local Transport Plan “Connecting Oxfordshire” makes clear statements to the effect that public transport should be enhanced in such a manner and these sorts of objectives and priorities also lie front and centre of the emergent Local Transport and Connectivity Plan (LTCPP5) which is to replace LTP4.</p>



While we recognise that the safety and environmental benefit of a 20mph limit in side streets is more easily justifiable, with very limited negative impacts, the blanket imposition of this limit across all routes in the town without regard to their function and the effects on public transport is neither evidenced, nor properly considered. We elaborate on these effects below.

We are also sceptical that the limits are enforceable especially on wide roads with little or no residential or other frontages, being Tower Hill Road and Ducklington Lane, without the use of average speed cameras, or very substantial engineering interventions to make it very difficult for cars to physically exceed 20mph.

The effect of the proposals:

The main area of concern and interest is the application of a 20 mph limit to Newlands/Oxford Hill, and to a slightly lesser extent on Woodstock Road. We are also quite concerned at the impacts of the imposition of the 20mph limit on Curbridge Road between Ducklington Lane and the edge of the built up area.

These key radial routes all accommodate regular bus services, and in fact with the exception of Woodstock Road, quite frequent ones. All our services are timed to secure the objectives of efficient and cost-effective operation, while, at the same time, also ensuring that services can be operated reasonably reliably. The latter objective, which is to ensure we meet the legal requirements set out in the Transport Act 1985, as well as the more fundamental aim of presenting a reliable and dependable service to the public, requires that we add a certain amount of “recovery time” to timetables to address the effects on unpredictable delay. However, it is clearly counter-productive to schedule buses with large amounts of “spare time” in the operating cycle, as to do so simply makes journeys frustratingly slow for passengers, and also unjustifiably and irrationally increases unit (or “like-for-like”) operating costs. As it is, the level of variability in bus running times on our West Oxfordshire service is so extreme that we have had to set up different timetables for Fridays (when peak traffic is lesser) and at school holidays. Despite this, as it is we regularly have buses sitting at “timing point” stops to avoid early running, when traffic is less severe on particular days than is typical.

The effect of these proposals will be to demand that further running time is added to the operating cycle of services. This is magnified by the fact that all our routes cross the town from one side to another, broadly east west. The S1 route in particular is also a frequent service, meaning that the effect of adding even 5 minutes in each direction to a journey time means that over the operating cycle, there is a cumulative impact on the resource required that, in this case, would demand that an additional vehicle is added to the cycle to merely maintain the existing frequency and capacity offer. This would add to our costs of running this service alone by about £200,000 per annum, none of which could be recouped through additional revenue.

Stagecoach accepts that existing chronic congestion on many of the roads subject to the proposed reduced speed limit is such that all traffic, and buses and particular, rarely reach 20mph at any point for much of the day. This is especially true of

the routes east of Bridge Street. Even when traffic is more freely flowing, the nature of the roads and the lengths involved are such that the typical effect might be considered to be limited, although it should certainly not be assumed to be de minimis – not least for the reasons set out above.

However, at key off-peak times – early mornings, later in the evenings and on Sundays in particular, it should be evident that the effects on both bus productivity and the passenger experience will be most evident. These are, of course the times of day when passenger boardings are also lower, and service as a result much less remunerative. Adding to the operating costs of running the services at exactly those times when viability is most marginal, can be expected to have a direct impact on the levels of service that we can offer.

In particular, on weekday and Saturday early evenings, service 233 is especially tightly timed, and the most marginal. As things stand we are no longer able to sustain operation of the service on the basis of the level of financial support we have been receiving. The current service on Sundays is actually quite “slack” and is more likely to be still operable at slower speeds across Witney. However the proposals would be likely to make the service inoperable on evenings in particular within the cycle that can be achieved reliably with the level of allocated resource. Adding a bus to the cycle would increase costs of an evening service by a level so substantial (i.e. an additional bus) that it would be unjustifiable.

Of greater impact would be the effect on the S1, again in early mornings, evenings and Sundays. The effect of the proposals on running speeds is compounded by the number of journeys operated. In recent years we have added a number of early Sunday morning journeys. These in fact, have been quite well-used. Likewise we have built up the evening service over many years to the point where we operate late at night, and almost 24 hours on Friday and Saturday nights. However, despite a very slack late night cycle time, extending running times by 6-7 minutes in each direction, as these proposals would involve, means that to maintain the current frequency at simple regular “clock-face” times would start to make it greatly more difficult to operate reliably as a large proportion of this slack time would be used up. If so, could well involve adding another bus in the cycle.

The night service – currently using 2 buses to provide an hourly service end-to-end between Carterton, Witney and Oxford on a one-way journey time of 52 minutes, would most obviously be at risk.

The alternative, lower irregular frequencies – such as journeys being spaced every 40 not every 30 minutes - obviously makes services less attractive and harder to understand. It has a material negative impact on bus patronage.

Finally, we would raise the question of longer-distance services, where the effect of the extensive 20mph zone on end-to-end journey time of running across the town through Witney town centre would, in real and perceived terms, make it a realistic prospect that it is no longer expedient or practical to serve Witney town centre. Service 853, which runs between

	<p>Cheltenham and Oxford via Witney, is one that we took over at our own risk when the previous long-standing operator withdrew it. It should be evident from this that this service is commercially very marginal, though Stagecoach does see the clear scope to develop it as part of our local network. Obviously the effects of the proposals materially detract from this.</p> <p>Conclusion:  Stagecoach West objects to these proposals. In the light to the discussion and evidence set out above, Stagecoach invites the Council to take a more proportionate, outcome driven and evidence-based approach. In particular we urge the retention of a 30mph limit on Oxford Hill, Woostock Road, Tower Hill Road, Ducklington Lane and Curbridge Road. I trust the foregoing is clear and naturally, I and the Directors of the company would be keen to discuss these matters further with you and colleagues elsewhere in the Council.</p>
(5) Email response, (unknown)	<p><b>Object</b> – I don't think it is good to turn those road to be 20mph, too slow and may generate traffic jam in peak hour. 30mph will be fine'</p>
(6) Email response, (Ducklington)	<p><b>Concerns</b> – The recent announcement that Witney will become a 20mph zone is praiseworthy however, I remain very confused as to why the A415 from a point just after Cokethorpe School entrance to the Ducklington roundabout (also known as the Ducklington bypass) is designated as a national speed limit section rather than a 50mph speed limit as set on the majority of the A415 between Abingdon and Witney ? 4 very busy junctions exist on this section (one of them for the Ducklington CofE school) and exiting onto the A415 has become very dangerous with vehicles passing an 60mph and even faster in many cases. With the increased traffic on this road owing to the large number of new housing estates built in surrounding villages and increased commercial traffic, not least the several hundred gravel trucks per day visiting the Smith's gravel quarry site, I suggest that the speed limit on this section of road should be reduced to a 50mph limit. Not only would this make it safer but would also prepare North bound traffic for the 30mph speed limits enforced approaching the Ducklington roundabout. Similarly when heading South, vehicles would already be at the reduced speed when approaching and passing the Cokethorpe School entrance where many hundreds of children and staff are transported to and from the school twice a day.</p>
(7) Email response, (unknown)	<p><b>Concerns</b> – Please could you extend the consultation to the B4022 going through Whiteoak Green? The turning out of Singe Wood/Wood Lane is very dangerous and even traffic obeying the existing 50mph limit is very dangerous due the combined blind corner (both ways), dip in the road and concealed entry to the lane.</p>

<p>(8) Email response, (unknown)</p>	<p><b>Support</b> – I am totally in favour of these proposals</p>
<p>(9) Email response, (Bampton)</p>	<p><b>Object</b> – Speed and speed limits are always controversial. They get a massive emotional response; stand by the side of the road and almost everyone feels angry about ‘those bloody speeding drivers’.</p> <p>Likewise, over the last few years 20mph limits have become an ideological rallying point for some groups - an article of faith, almost. The belief is that imposing ever lower speed limits will lower vehicle speeds, make the roads safer - and feel safer - and encourage cycling and walking.</p> <p>The problem is that lower limits are a superficially attractive solution, but a 20mph limit and other lowered limits aren’t the way to get people driving slowly and safely in Witney - nor will they make people feel safer. In fact, they will have almost the opposite effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Lower limits, particularly blanket 20mph limits, are an ideological rather than a practical road safety tool</li> <li>● Lower speed limits are an ineffective tool for real world speed reduction</li> <li>● Oxford’s 20mph limit led to barely noticeable reductions in vehicle speeds - with speeds on some roads increasing</li> <li>● These limits will be contrary to government advice in DfT Circular 01/2013</li> <li>● Ultra-low limits lead to frustration overtakes, tailgating and driver aggression - the most compliant and vulnerable road users suffer</li> <li>● Lower limits do not lead to increased cycling and walking</li> <li>● The negligible road safety and ‘active travel’ returns will not come close to justifying the cost of the limits</li> </ul> <p>If the County Council wants to reduce speeds without signage clutter, the need for additional calming and enforcement, it would be worth investigating shared space schemes. If the evidence from continental Europe is correct, these schemes improve the urban environment, improve social cohesion and return streets to the people who live on them. Of course, they don’t hector drivers and don’t allow a minority of residents and perhaps even councillors the gratifying sense of “Ha! We’ve got one over on those nasty drivers now!”, but they do work - with very few downsides.</p>
<p><i>B. Online responses</i></p>	

<p>(1251709) County Cllr, (Witney West &amp; Bampton division)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>I fully support 20mph speed limits in residential areas and places where there are a lot of pedestrians and cyclists. In areas where there is mostly motor traffic I see no need.</p>
<p>(1192566) County Cllr, (Witney South &amp; Central division)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Worries about speeding traffic and road safety are among the biggest issues residents raise with me on the doorstep, it's something people genuinely care about. I have had numerous expressions of interest in the possibility of a 20mph speed limit for their road so a whole town approach is a very welcome step forward. Reducing the speed on the A4095 near North Leigh is also very welcome, it's such a dangerous stretch of road.</p>
<p>(1202079) County Cllr, (Witney North &amp; East division)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Making Witney safer for everyone, and easier for people on foot, mobility scooter or bike.</p>
<p>(1241902) Local Cllr, (Witney, Downs Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The current speed limits are sufficient and do not need decreasing</p>

<p>(1234166) Local Cllr, (Freeland, Hurst Lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Anything that reduces speed is good</p>
<p>(1245671) Local Cllr, (Witney, Gloucester Place)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I support these reductions in speed limits because research shows that reduced speeds of traffic make roads safer for all road users and pedestrians. I have had contact from many residents asking for 20mph limits in Witney.</p>
<p>(1209322) Local Cllr, (Witney, Moorland Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I think reducing speed overall will help speed culture</p>
<p>(1256693) Local Cllr, (Witney, Stow Avenue)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>I support 20mph in housing estates and areas of dense housing near schools. However, I do have concerns about 20mph in areas such as, Burford Road, Woodstock Road and Curbridge Road. These are main, straight roads whereby people are going to continue to drive at 30, if not more.</p> <p>The fact that there has not been any in-person consultation event with the public is insulting - this consultation has not been very well advertised by Oxfordshire County Council, and has had to rely on individual Councillors to get members of the public to submit their views.</p> <p>Ultimately, this I do agree that 20mph should be implemented in housing estates, however, 20 for the whole of Witney, without any enforcement is going to lead to more problems that that we face at the moment.</p>

(1197138) Member of the public, (Aston, The Paddocks)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>20mph limits are a pretty meaningless political gesture, particularly without enforcement. Furthermore they are part of the growing anti-car agenda.  I've seen little evidence of 20mph speed limits being required in and around Witney.</p>
(1199798) Member of the public, (Bampton, Bushey Row)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>The 30mph limits wher proposed are both logical, and will add to street safety. Arguably the 50 could be reduced to 30 too...however i can see no benefit in rediculously low speed limits oif 20mph anywhere. IT will NOT discourage speeders - if you are going to go at 40 mph in a 30pmh you still will in a 20, and i have seen no evidence that there is in reducing speed limits- partly as there are many roads which by their nature are 'self' regulation to lower 'safe' speeds.  I am not aware of any serious problems in WEST OXFORDSHIRE at all, caused by 30mph in towns and villages, or of any level of accidents or incidents. Money would be better spent on road safety eduaction for both adults and children - indeed as it was in the 60's and 70's (1900's!).</p>
(1243287) Member of the public, (Bampton, Church Close)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Completely unnecessary, will lead to poor and aggressive driving and will have zero beneficial effect. Blanket, arbitrary artificially low speed limits cause accidents which is why the police are opposed to them.</p>

<p>(1233587) Member of the public, (Bicester, Herald Way)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Think 20 is to slow</p>
<p>(1203016) Member of the public, (Carterton, Arkell Gardens)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Why? Add pedestrian crossings and make cycle lanes compulsory. Cars, electric or usual, will still be around. You are killing the high streets with your silly cycle lanes. Pedestrians also need to have common sense!</p>
<p>(1193723) Member of the public, (Carterton, Burford road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Reductions are only needed in the vicinity of schools at key times of the day</p>
<p>(1202757) Member of the public, (Carterton, Milestone Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The route from Curbridge to Witney does not need the speed limits reduced as this is now not as busy thanks to A40 and there have not been any major accidents. It will just frustrate drivers.</p>
<p>(1215460) Member of the public, (Carterton, Shilton Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>'- No data has been provided to demonstrate a need for a lower limit on each proposed road the basis of road safety</li> <li>- The scheme will require a huge number of repeater signs, which create street clutter; are expensive in a time where council resources are unable to provide for important services such as baby and old person groups; and their production is damaging to the environment</li> <li>- Lower speed limits are not necessary to fulfil obligations around improving air quality or reducing environmental impact given the government's stated objective of banning ICE car sales by 2030</li> <li>- By its nature, a blanket limit of 20 mph does not properly take into account the local conditions where it is imposed. Every section of inappropriate 20mph limit reduces the effectiveness of appropriate 20mph limits (For example, though town centres or other areas busy with pedestrians), because people learn to habitually ignore them.</li> </ul>
(1196757) Member of the public, (Carterton, Station road)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>To keep traffic flowing at a reasonable pace</p>
(1201678) Member of the public, (Carterton, The Oaks)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I can't imagine there is any significant data on speed related incidents that would justify the cost of reducing the current limits, when there is an endless list of other more important issues. For example, the shores green junction, the state of the roads and pavements in general, the "still temporary" closure of the High Street and the fact that some of our current road signs cannot be seen due to the verges being unkept.</p>
(1198654) Member of the public, (Carterton, Fairfield place)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Existing limits are adequate for road types and inconsistent with other parts of the county. Limits need to be relevant to the road, not a desire to introduce a policy.</p>

	<p>Another example of OCC assessments: OCC assess the A424 as a 50mph but Gloucester assess the same road as 60mph?  Why the constant need for non road related speed reductions?</p>
<p>(1233920)  Member of the public, (Carterton, Hill View)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>20mph limits are dangerous for cyclists. They cause more road rage incidents towards people that stick to the limit and are worse for the environment due to being an 'in between gear' speed meaning the cars engine struggles.</p>
<p>(1198252)  Member of the public, (Carterton, Rock Close)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Motor vehicles are far safer than ever. They are also fuel efficient and clean but not when travelling at stupidly slow speeds. This causes worse air pollution which is far worse than safe vehicles travelling at 50mph on suitable roads.</p>
<p>(1195852)  Member of the public, (Chipping norton, Hailey avenue)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>TO MAKE THIS VERY CLEAR IN WRITING  I HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO INTENTION OF EVER CONFORMING TO ANY NEWLY REDUCED SPEED LIMITS UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES. I WILL TAILGATE, HOLD THE HORN DOWN AND OVERTAKE IF NECESSARY.  I REFUSE TO COMPLY WITH ANY LOWERED SPEED LIMIT.  I HAVE PROUDLY DRIVEN 334 TIMES UP THE HIGH STREET WITHOUT A VALID EXEMPTION TOO</p>

<p>(1195839) Member of the public, (Cogges, Manor Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I object to the proposed reduction in the speed limit along Jubilee Way. The road was deliberately designed for a 50 mph limit and should remain so.</p> <p>A 20 mph limit on Oxford Hill would be reasonable between the pedestrian crossing by the Newland Mill junction, but I object to the section of Oxford Hill to the Jubilee Way/ Cogges Hill Road traffic lights being reduced to 20 mph.</p> <p>I object to a 20 mph limit on Cogges Hill Road, with the exception of the section leading to the school from the junction with Stanton Harcourt Road.</p> <p>I object to the speed limit on Stanton Harcourt Road being reduced to 20 mph.</p>
<p>(1197552) Member of the public, (Finstock, Charlbury Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The speeds currently are low enough, if there is certain streets that are accident black spots that's different, but then such information and supporting data should be published. Which there isn't, for the majority of it. Blanket changes are wrong</p>
<p>(1231946) Member of the public, (Freeland, Woodlands)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Better to focus limits on where and when needed rather than apply a blanket limit that gets ignored as can't be enforced</p>
<p>(1217912) Member of the public, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p>

	Slowing traffic down means more pollution and delays!
(1199890) Member of the public, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I oppose this change. I drove through Kirtlington which has imposed a 20mph limit where road is much more impassable than Witney's but impossible to keep at 20mph and majority not adhering anyway!. Uses more fuel. Who will enforce it? Really not needed 30 mph is sufficient.</p>
(1234372) Member of the public, (Hailey, Poffley End)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>There is not an issue with speed in Witney. The traffic generally moves quite slowly anyway due to either congestion or the large amount of traffic lights, roundabouts etc. It is unenforceable and will create more unsightly street furniture and congestion in the town.</p>
(1196235) Member of the public, (Hailey, The Coppice)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>It is well nigh impossible to drive a modern car at 20 mph, nor is it necessary if drivers are adequately trained and aware of road conditions. Money would be far better spent on maintaining road surfaces, pavements and verges so that driving is safe for ALL road and pavement users. Hailey Road is an example - the road surface is in such a bad state that you can't drive in excess of the speed limit unless you want to damage your car.</p>

<p>(1197479) Member of the public, (Hailey, Poffley End)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Because it's difficult to drive due to the traffic jams in Witney. Most of the roads mentioned are not on housing estates but are used to get traffic in or out of town and are already gridlocked at peak times</p>
<p>(1199488) Member of the public, (Hardwick, Hardwick)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Speed limits are fine as they are. People need to take responsibility for their own safety</p>
<p>(1246475) Member of the public, (Kidlington, Oxford Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>20mph is a ridiculous anti-car policy. 20mph outside schools are essential but everywhere else 30mph is the right solution. This will discourage regular visitors to Witney. Pedestrian safety includes some self awareness so far better to stop idiots walking along watching mobile phones instead of looking where they are actually going.</p>
<p>(1198217) Member of the public, (Kineton, Market square)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>The world has to keep moving and if councils reduce speed limits our economy will inevitably suffer even further causing everything to grind to a halt !</p>

<p>(1229511) Member of the public, (Long Hanborough, Abelwood Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>My objections are: The proposed 20mph limits on the approaches to Witney the A4095, Oxford Hill and Burford Road are unworkable, as they will be open to abuse. They are arterial roads into Witney and this will a backlog along the roads and further congest the town centre. Certain areas of these roads could be dropped to 20mph, at pinch-points and near schools, whilst the remainder stay at 30mph. There is no need to drop the whole length of the roads to 20mph There is no justification for the 40mph along Jubilee Way. Woodstock Road and Witney Road. They are already limited to 50mph and flow well and do not need to be reduced to 40mph.</p>
<p>(1198231) Member of the public, (Minster Lovell, Upper Crescent)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The speed limits that are already in place are sufficient. Dropping to 20 is something that most drivers will ignore. I don't agree with the 50 limits on country roads now, so dropping to 40 is a bad idea. There was nothing wrong with the national speed limit.</p>
<p>(1197156) Member of the public, (North Leigh, Common road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Witney roads are very safe at present. Changing roads to 20mph is an unnecessary use of money that could be better spent in services that directly benefit the community such as the community bus, youth projects and mental health. That said, the A4095 could do with the 40mph limit changing to before common road rather than around the Eynsham Hall turning. You could also spend the money on making the pedestrian crossing more visible outside Wood Green school and a new crossing further up the road towards Woodlands.</p>

<p>(1257367) Member of the public, (North Leigh, Park Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>This proposal will waste millions of hours of busy people’s time with no benefit whatsoever. It will add significant costs to local services of all kinds. There is no viable alternative route for many journeys which avoid the A4095 through Witney. I advise the highways authority to devote their energies to this problem if their aim is to reduce traffic in Witney. The ‘Statement of Reasons’ is a collection of vague aspirations and spurious assertions entirely unsupported by any data, facts or, indeed, reason. Reading through the information provided leads me to the conclusion that whoever wrote it; Has never been to Witney Does not have a clear understanding of the nature and purpose of the road network Does not have a clear understanding of the extent to which all our lives are underpinned by motor vehicle transport Believes that riding precariously on an unstable slow vehicle with inadequate brakes and no safety features or load capacity can replace a meaningful amount of traffic Would rather waste everyone’s time with trivia like this than attend to the real business of maintaining and improving the road network that we are paying them for</p>
<p>(1224008) Member of the public, (Oxford, Rymers Lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>This is unnecessary.</p>
<p>(1233879) Member of the public, (Sonning Common, Rowan Close)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>20 MPH at all times makes no sense. When it’s busy or there are school children around as a driver you naturally lower you speed. Why in a modern car in quiet dry clear conditions would you expect drivers to stick to this speed you spend more</p>

	<p>time checking the speedo than watching where you are going and the surroundings. In 2022 it is ridiculous. 35 years of driving 30mph in built up areas is the right speed limit.</p>
<p>(1193527) Member of the public, (Stanton Harcourt, Blackditch)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The limits that are in place right now make sense for the roads. Slowing traffic that is already a nightmare to get through does not solve the traffic problem. Add routes around witney Eg access to A40 Burford direction to Oxford Hill. Open the High Street to road users again.</p>
<p>(1197725) Member of the public, (Witney, Abbey Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>20mph are never put on roads that need it like schools etc and it's very hard to stick to 20 mph on a wide road for a long distance.</p>
<p>(1240898) Member of the public, (Witney, Abbey Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>There is no real evidence to support the need for change. Traffic will move ever more slowly, people will avoid coming in to shop and the town centre will have another nail in its economic coffin. Lower speeds will not encourage drivers to stick to limits- a panel showing your speed does help as it reminds people to slow down. Why not install these and keep current limits?</p>



<p>(1232168) Member of the public, (Witney, Bathing Place Lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I agree where all the existing 20mph have been actioned. This proposal will not help traffic flow around the town and increase the pollution levels. There are no particular accident blackspots on any of the proposed roads.. the biggest accident black spot being on Ducklington Lane by the pedestrian crossing where there is no change in speed limit proposed! This would be a waste of the tax payers money to introduce when there is not an issue that needs to be addressed!</p>
<p>(1247515) Member of the public, (Witney, Blake's avenue)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Speed limits are fine as they are</p>
<p>(1197506) Member of the public, (Witney, Bramble Bank)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The places where a 20MPH speed limit are suggested make no sense and will cause more congestion and increase travel time and pollution, there is literally no reason to reduce the speed limit below 30 on main roads, i fully agree inside housing estates however roads designed to keep traffic flowing should not be slowed down. This is a total waste of money and the pot holes should be solved first or maybe cut some grass/hedges so you can see the current signs. There are no good reasons to reduce the speed limit on these roads however much more need to have a second way to get from 1 side of witney to the other which will reduce traffic on roads through the town reducing pollution and making it easier for everyone.</p>
<p>(1195900) Member of the public, (Witney, Burford Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p>

	<p>The proposal to change all speeds to 20mph is ridiculous and will add nothing but more congestion to the town - the roads have been at the current limits for a very long time and there is no stats to say there have been any serious injuries or deaths caused due to the speed limits within the town - since the high street closure (also ridiculous) traffic in Witney is now just getting bottled necked at the end of Burford road and to add in changes to the speed limits is just a waste of time and money for all concerned.</p>
<p>(1199223) Member of the public, (Witney, Burford Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I am objecting as these speed reductions are unnecessary. These are not traffic accident hotspots and as a pedestrian and driver who lives on one of the roads affected (Burford Road), I feel perfectly safe with the current speed limits. The proposals will also add to journey times that have already been increased with the closure of the High Street. I feel that once again, decisions are being made without regard for what Witney residents want and need.</p>
<p>(1241975) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell Drive)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I object to any 20 mile per hour speed limit, it will add to pollution because drivers will have to use lower gears and higher revs. I don't personally believe it will reduce accidents and as a council tax payer object to the cost, money would be better spent on stopping cyclists endangering pedestrians on footpaths and mending pot holes so drivers not having to swerve to avoid them.</p>
<p>(1215866) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell Drive)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>20MPH is too slow. It is dangerous because: 1) drivers think they have more time to concentrate on something else (phone, music system) 2) pedestrians think they have more time when it comes to taking a risk</p>

	<p>Let people think for themselves, don't let them depend on blanket rules. Enforce the current driving laws, starting with the basics.</p>
<p>(1203587) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell Farm Estate)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Twenty MPH limits are widely perceived to bring benefits to communities, but there is little in the way of empirical evidence to support the claims. The wide-scale, in-depth research into 20 MPH limits conducted by Atkins/AECOM/UCL disproves most of the fanciful claims made by proponents of these schemes &amp; repeated in your 'Statement of Reasons'.</p> <p>Most notably:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Average speeds are only reduced by 0.7 - 1.9 MPH.</li> <li>2) There is insufficient evidence to conclude that there has been a significant change in collisions and casualties following the introduction of 20mph limits in residential areas.</li> <li>3) 20 MPH limits increase journey times by 3 - 5%. (Internal combustion engines are also less efficient at 20 MPH than 30 MPH, less efficient at 30 MPH than 40 MPH &amp; less efficient at 40 MPH than 50 MPH, so, in conjunction with longer journey times, particulate &amp; co2 emissions in Witney would be likely to increase under these proposals). Longer journey times cost residents &amp; businesses more money.</li> <li>4) The analysis indicates that there is insufficient evidence to conclude that there has been a significant change in collisions and casualties following the introduction of 20mph limits in residential areas.</li> <li>5) The majority of residents surveyed (69%) agree that 20mph limits are beneficial for walking and cycling. However, in most cases this has not been translated into an increase in actual levels of walking and cycling.</li> </ol> <p>Therefore, I think Witney would benefit more if all of the money proposed to be spent on new speed limits were instead spent on enforcing the existing speed limits, particularly in the high risk areas - such as Woodstock Road, Curbridge Road, Corn Street &amp; Station Lane. Enforcing existing limits would likely result in a greater reduction of average speeds on the most dangerous roads than the marginal reductions achieved from arbitrarily lowering all speed limits.</p> <p>To improve traffic flow, I would support restoring the Ducklington Lane speed limit between Welch Way roundabout &amp; the Burwell Drive junction, to 40 MPH.</p> <p>Please, please, please forget the dogma &amp; ideology &amp; 'follow the science' and cancel this scheme - contrary to common belief, 20 MPH limits aren't an effective way of achieving your aims.</p> <p>Ref: <a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/757307/20mph-headline-report.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/757307/20mph-headline-report.pdf</a></p>

<p>(1195993) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell Meadow)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>The current 30mph limits are slow enough, anything slower will likely cause more accidents as people will simply ignore this limit</p>
<p>(1196232) Member of the public, (witney, Burwell Meadow)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Around schools and hospitals is fine, but to arbitrarily restrict normal roads to ridiculously slow limits is not. How many pedestrians have been killed or injured on these roads with the current speed limits? Other than a few drunk individuals not many. You cannot account for or defend idiots who walk out in these roads, there are footpaths for pedestrians, they should stick to them, my family and I do. Slowing traffic does not reduce pollution, and as the vast majority of cars are much more highly efficient and cleaner these days, this is again a weak and futile argument. Witney is not Oxford, so why try and treat it the same? This is another weak political agenda by the council, run by weak individuals who only listen to the few. Leave the limits as they are, save money from updating signs and spend elsewhere more wisely like actually repairing the roads you are trying to restrict further.</p>
<p>(1213092) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell Meadow)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The reduction in the speed limits are unnecessary and not supported by traffic collision data. It is an example of unwanted and unnecessary interference from Oxfordshire County Council, just like the unwanted Witney High Street closure</p>
<p>(1237256) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell Meadow)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p>

	I feel that these changes will worsen already bad traffic in and around central Witney.
(1233215) Member of the public, (Witney, Chestnut Close)	20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  20mph is too slow and will cause impatient drivers to overtake dangerously
(1233008) Member of the public, (Witney, Chipmunk drive)	20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  No one will follow 20mph zones pointless putting them in. The traffic will be even worse than what it already is.
(1196012) Member of the public, (Witney, Colwell drive)	20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  no need for restriction
(1194237) Member of the public, (Witney, Crofts)	20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  20mph zones are fine in high risk areas but their blanket application across whole areas is detrimental to traffic flow and the mobility of the population.

<p>(1197541) Member of the public, (Witney, Crundel Rise)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I see no reason to change the current speed limits</p>
<p>(1256675) Member of the public, (Witney, Curbridge Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I think reducing the speed limit is going to have negative impact as drivers are going to overspeed regardless</p>
<p>(1198114) Member of the public, (Witney, Curbridge road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>The main risk on the curbridge road is the school areas which have a 20mph flashing speed sign when in school times. Many of the local firefighters respond from that end of town if you change that road to a constant 20mph it will increase the time taken to mobilise a fire engine to a fire. This is the case for most of the streets in Witney.</p>
<p>(1201056) Member of the public, (Witney, Ducklington lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>No need to increase traffic jams on already useless clogged roads</p>
<p>(1232853) Member of the public, (Witney, Eastfield rd)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p>

	<p>The proposal is just putting safety as reason and fails to see the health problems it can cause ie by driving at these lower speeds the car engine is not running at its best fuel efficiency and will thus emit greater Co. etc. etc I have family living on Bridge st who suffer with asthma because of the slow movement of traffic there is a need to consult with experts in this field Fin.</p>
<p>(1206553) Member of the public, (WITNEY, Fairfield Drive)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I can only see frustration for Witney drivers with the proposed reduction of speed limits to Curbridge Rd, Burford Rd, Witan Way, Welsh Way, Woodstock Rd, Station Lane and Jubilee Way. These roads act as an inner ring road system feeding to and from residential areas and traffic flows along them effectively currently except where the closure of the High St has funnelled additional traffic into Witan Way and Welsh Way. During times of excessive traffic volumes, speed limits are irrelevant anyway as traffic jams introduce their own speed limits. Ducklington Rd is indicated as being changed to 30mph on the map but this is already the current speed limit. I am not aware of general speed related problems currently and if these exist, policing of the current speed limits should be undertaken aggressively to resolve them. Drivers who ignore speed limits will do so regardless of the posted limits and need to be prosecuted. Reducing speed limits that are not enforced anyway is not the answer to a lack of police resources. There are currently cycle paths along Burford Rd, Welsh Way, Station Lane, and a riverside path for cyclists to use along Witan Way. I am a cyclist and do not feel unsafe when cycling along Curbridge Rd or Woodstock Rd. While I can see the potential benefits of a 20mph speed limit for narrow and congested residential streets where street parking also narrows these streets further, the current situation requires road users to give way to each other which they do already. I strongly object to the proposed speed reductions to the roads mentioned and don't believe that OCC have applied their minds to this rationally. Driving at 20mph in third gear uses the same amount of fuel as 30mph in fourth gear so there is no benefit to reduce emissions. Pedestrians should cross at designated safe crossing points regardless of the speed limit. I hope that this consultation is not just a box ticking exercise as we saw for the closure of Witney High St. OCC councillors who support this ill-conceived plan for a blanket reduction in speed limits for Witney as currently proposed should consider the likely effect on their careers at the next election.</p>
<p>(1197252) Member of the public, (Witney, Fallowfield Crescent)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>30mph preferred</p>

(1198932) Member of the public, (Witney, Farmers Close)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Speed limits shouldn't be reduced. Some of the roads proposed have long visibility in both directions, it seems illogical to reduce speed limits and would have a negligible effect on road safety. I would be in favour of implementing more control measures to ensure the public stay to the existing limits (average speed checks or more police presence on the roads). I would also consider supporting variable speed limits for times of high peak traffic in the centre of Witney if it had a beneficial impact on congestion.</p>
(1236956) Member of the public, (Witney, Farmers Close)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>20mph speed limits on the roads included in the proposal is quite simply ridiculous and the speed limits will not be adhered to by car drivers who will see them as yet another attack on car drivers.</p>
(1244612) Member of the public, (Witney, Farmers close)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>20 is too slow</p>
(1197923) Member of the public, (Witney, Fettiplace Road)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p>



	<p>There's absolutely no need to the current speed limits to be lowered. Corn Street and Welch Way was already ridiculous and there's no evidence to suggest this is needdd. Stop wasting taxpayer money on pointless initiatives your constituents don't want or need.</p>
<p>(1196996) Member of the public, (Witney, Guild close)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>No reason or need for these restrictions. These are not accident spots. Traffic is already bad in these areas, restrictions will only further compound this</p>
<p>(1197260) Member of the public, (Witney, Hailey Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I'm objecting this anti-car agenda because it will make no difference to local pollution level, it won't be enforced by Thames Valley Police due to their local resources being used elsewhere. Modern cars (petrol and diesel) are as quiet as they have ever been and 30mph to 20mph will make no difference what so ever.</p>
<p>(1251710) Member of the public, (Witney, Harvest Grove)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The limits will be essentially unenforceable, especially on roads like Woodstock Road. Those of us who keep to the limits will be tailgated, and overtaken dangerously by other drivers. On meeting a cyclist on a 20mph road, it's very hard to overtake safely - this is because of the maximum relative speed difference, thereby increasing the time taken to overtake. This endangers the cyclist. I do not believe a thorough analysis of the actual improvements to safety has been performed. This is a political stunt that the population are probably unlikely to support.</p>

<p>(1257579) Member of the public, (Witney, Harvest Grove)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>These are not appropriate speed limits for the type of road.</p>
<p>(1196611) Member of the public, (Witney, High street)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>There is little to no evidence of a danger on these roads causing fatalities or accidents. With the cost of fuel sitting in traffic caused by these 20mph implications will cost drivers more and in turn create more pollution on these roads and affect nearby residents and businesses. An absolute waste of council money. Politics being played with taxpayers money as per usual.</p>
<p>(1196500) Member of the public, (Witney, Highworth Place)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Will cause additional traffic in Witney, it is already bad enough as it is.</p>
<p>(1196499) Member of the public, (Witney, Hurdeswell)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The roads are very congested - lower speed limits will slow the traffic down even more !</p>

<p>(1216734) Member of the public, (Witney, Jubilee)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Witney is already a nightmare to drive because of constant traffic jams- you want to wreck Witney with an idiotic approach.</p>
<p>(1241693) Member of the public, (Witney, Kingsfield Crescent)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>There is no evidence to support reducing speed limits and it will be costly at a time when council finances are under pressure</p>
<p>(1245390) Member of the public, (Witney, Manor)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>People don't obey the 30 so why waste money putting up 20 signs. If people aren't complying with the current speed, why would they comply with a lower speed limit. Rather use the money on things that will actually benefit the area.</p>
<p>(1197891) Member of the public, (Witney, Manor RD)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>.</p>
<p>(1195360) Member of the public, (Witney, Manor Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p>

	<p>Without enforcement there is no point in changing speed limits. People will either abide to limits or not no matter what they are. It would be better having a campaign to enlighten people of the dangers of speeding. There appears to be a perception of speeding but quite often when data is collected it nullifies that perception.</p>
<p>(1216245) As a business, (Witney, Market Square)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>30mph in place is more than adequate as in areas proposed for reduction can rarely do that anyway. From environmental point of view cars running efficiently at 30mph is better than inefficiently at 20mph.</p>
<p>(1196138) Member of the public, (Witney, Marriotts Walk)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>20 mph is too slow and will not benefit anybody.</p>
<p>(1198925) Member of the public, (Witney, Meadow Biew)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I don't think the limits need to be reduced- for the size of the roads they seem unnaturally slow and could be more dangerous as drivers will be focusing on the speedometer rather than the road. It is unnecessary- please leave as it is.</p>
<p>(1231957) Member of the public, (Witney, Mill walk)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Traffic is moving too slow anyway</p>

<p>(1197392) Member of the public, (Witney, Mirfield Rd)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I believe the current speed limits are adequate and don't need to be reduced. However, as the result of the public consultation into closing Witney high street was completely ignored by the officials that are "allegedly" elected to represent the views of the people who put them into power, I don't hold out much hope.</p>
<p>(1193868) Member of the public, (Witney, Moorland Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The 20 mile speed limits already in witney at the moment rarely get obeyed</p>
<p>(1234257) Member of the public, (Witney, Moorland Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>20mph is ridiculous, half the time you can't even do 10mph</p>
<p>(1216544) Member of the public, (Witney, New Yatt Lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>People should be taught to drive considerately and according to the conditions. We have so many signs littering our roads, wasting money when they shouldn't be necessary. It should be simply a town or village sign means the speed limit is 30 mph, rather than confusing and constantly changing signs littering our country.</p>

<p>(1196272) Member of the public, (Witney, New Yatt Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I feel the current limits in place are appropriate</p>
<p>(1230066) Member of the public, (Witney, New Yatt Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Witney is currently an area with a very low accident rate. There is likely to be no enforcement therefore restrictions are worthless. Slowing traffic only increases the lengths of queues at junctions etc. In the town centre traffic is already very slow no one goes faster than 20mph anyway, so why proliferate the signage.</p>
<p>(1197414) Rather not say, (Witney, Newland)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>Insufficient evidence on WLC basis to justify additional costs for unproven benefits: c.f. no discernible benefit from Active Travel Phase 1, closing the High Street. Unenforcable: will be ignored by majority. Environmental benefit fractional compared with alternatives.</p>
<p>(1196425) Member of the public, (Witney, Northfield Farm Lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>There is no evidence to support introducing the speed limits on safety grounds, these are not notorious accident black spots. Neither is there a convincing argument on the grounds of reducing pollution. A 20 minute journey at 30mph, is a 30 minute journey at 20mph, 10 minutes more of an engine running. My vehicle runs at very similar revs at both speeds.</p>

<p>(1197647) Member of the public, (Witney, Oakdale Lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>No need to reduce speed limit on jubilee way to 40mph</p>
<p>(1215746) Member of the public, (Witney, Orchard Way)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>My van, and many other vehicles chug along at 20mph in second gear at high RPM. This is bad for fuel consumption and pollution. I have no choice but to drive at a minimum of 25mph. Furthermore it takes long enough to get around Witney as it is, especially with the ridiculous closure of High Street. I will personally protest all the proposed changes if they are actioned.</p>
<p>(1197566) Member of the public, (Witney, Oxford Hill)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>It's not necessary</p>
<p>(1203954) Member of the public, (witney, oxford hill)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>this would cause more frustration on the roads. too slow is just as bad as being too fast. if this was the case of it being dangerous to the public then there would be accidents every single day in witney ... there isnt . i am witney born and bred and think the way witney is going is shameful.. shame on you for letting it become a ghost town</p>

<p>(1233757) Member of the public, (Witney, Oxford Hill)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>There is difficulty getting around Witney already and the only ideas you can come up with is to reduce speed limits. The infrastructure around Witney need's upgrading due to all the new housing being built, but reducing speed limits will not help any issues that we have with the traffic.</p>
<p>(1194142) Member of the public, (Witney, Pine Rise)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>It's just going to take forever to get anyway</p>
<p>(1233722) Member of the public, (Witney, Point place)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Causes yet more traffic chaos in witney</p>
<p>(1198294) Member of the public, (Witney, Quarry Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The speed limits that are currently in place for the roads are adequate and any lowering of them will just cause frustration for drivers and potentially more accidents as people take more risks.</p>



<p>(1198717) Member of the public, (Witney, Quarry Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Decreasing the speed limit does not make people safer it makes them less aware of danger. It also increases pollution, fuel costs and congestion.</p>
<p>(1197335) Member of the public, (Witney, Raleigh Crescent)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I do not think the current speed restrictions are unsafe. I am the kind of person who will definitely stick to speed restrictions that are given. However other people do not and hence I often find there are people queued behind me or overtaking me who are annoyed at the speed limit. I have driven other places such as Oxford where the speed limits have been reduced to 20 and it just leads to a less safe environment. 20 feels very slow so when I am driving at 20 I will often get people overtaking me, potentially when it is not safe to do so. Reducing the speed limit will likely increase the difference in speed between cars on the road. This is actually a lot less safe and will likely cause more accidents</p>
<p>(1233988) Member of the public, (Witney, Rayson Lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>The 20mph proposed limits on the B4022 and the Woodstock Road seem unnecessary. Both are busy connecting roads, and I find it hard to believe that the roads constitute a major risk to the public at 30 mph and with multiple crossing points on each. 20mph limits will just add to congestion through Witney, likely exacerbating the regular delays at the mini roundabouts. I would note that I'd be far less concerned if the link road or alternative routing plans for the North/South Witney divide were finally resolved.</p>

<p>(1233622) Member of the public, (witney, rissington drive)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Travelling in and around Witney is already painful enough. As someone who's work requires this all day everyday i'd be concerned about where on my car and terrified of increased possibilities of a speeding ticket. What is really needed is decent ring road</p>
<p>(1215962) Member of the public, (Witney, Saxon Way)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I feel the current speed limits are fine and do not need changing. Who is going to 'police' the speed limits?</p>
<p>(1196003) Member of the public, (Witney, Spring Close)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I believe these changes will result in more unnecessary traffic and congestion, the speed limits are fine as they are.</p>
<p>(1243749) Member of the public, (Witney, Tarrant Avenue)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>20mph will serve no purpose other than to annoy drivers and increase fumes in the areas affected. It is not going to save lives (how many fatalities have there been?) and it will cost drivers money and unnecessary stress. I am totally against this stupid proposal!</p>

<p>(1196742) Member of the public, (Witney, Tetbury Drive)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>20MPH limits should be restricted to roads on Estates, not major routes through the town. Where 20MPH has been introduced Signposting is very poor. An example is Corn Street. Signposting is very poor and a visitor to the town could easily miss the 20MPH sign. Very few repeater signs are visible on Corn Street also</p>
<p>(1256424) Member of the public, (Witney, The Crofts)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>There is no speeding problem in Witney that would be improved by lowering speed limits. I drive through daily, and even when the traffic is light, the existing speed limits are respected by drivers. People drive sensibly. The current speed limits reflect the characteristics of the roads they apply to. 50mph on the A4095 to Woodstock is correct for that type of undulating open road. 40mph along Deer Park Road and around Thorney Leys is correct, because these are wide, open, connecting roads. 30mph along Witan Way and west of the High Street is entirely suitable for those town centre conditions.</p> <p>The reasoning therefore is not safety, but "Improving streets to encourage active travel" and " A wide range of people choosing to walk, and cycle" - in other words, making driving more unpleasant so people choose to walk. But drivers in Witney are driving because of trade, or because they are starting or finishing longer journeys. You cannot expect people to cycle to Woodstock, for example, and slowing them down is not going to change that.</p> <p>The Statement of Reasons also states: "Streets are central to everyday life in Oxfordshire. They play a role in all transport journey's [sic]". Vehicle drivers are also part of this. They are ordinary people of Witney going about their lives. And roads are built for vehicles to use.</p> <p>With regard to the 20mph limits, I have no objection to this in the small side roads. The existing 20mph limit on Holloway Road is a good example of where such a speed limit works.</p>
<p>(1194739) Member of the public, (Witney, The Willows)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p>

	<p>We've already had the closure of the High Street foisted upon us, a 20mph speed limit is totally unnecessary. Get a grip!</p>
<p>(1198556) Member of the public, (Witney, The Willows)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I think the lower speed limits have an adverse environmental effect due to drivers using higher gears ie driving in 20 mph areas in 2nd gear, to ensure they stay below the speed limit. This increases noise pollution, air pollution and uses increased amounts of fuel. There are better things that the money this scheme costs could be spent on eg fixing potholes or the Eynsham to Oxford cycle route via Farmoor. The police don't have the capacity to enforce current speeds and will not enforce these. This is a supposed problem that dosen't require fixing.</p>
<p>(1192256) As a business, (Witney, Thorney Leys)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I object to these changes as the accident record of these roads do not justify the changes</p>
<p>(1195655) Member of the public, (Witney, Thorney Leys)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>There is no need to make adjustments to the speed limits. The money that would be spent implementing these changes could be better spent on other projects, such as improving the quality of the road network, filling potholes and properly resurfacing roads. Please stop wasting money on projects like this and listen to public opinion.</p>

<p>(1196081) Member of the public, (Witney, Thorney Leys)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Most of the roads if not all of the roads listed have dedicated walk/cycle lanes and most away from direct traffic interaction. The proposed speed limit will only cause more congestion on the already congested roads caused by all the additional houses being built. Unless the proposal is a money making scheme where speeding fines will be more common place for roads with limits too low for their intended use.</p>
<p>(1239416) Member of the public, (Witney, Thorney Leys)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I do not believe they are necessary as travelling through town is already slow. You need to concentrate on the Shores Green junction off the A40 which will alleviate the traffic issues in town and would be of more benefit.</p>
<p>(1234346) Member of the public, (Witney, Thorney Leys)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>These are unnecessary changes - Witney is extremely safe and bikes ,cars and pedestrians work together - it is a waste of money which could be better spent elsewhere</p>
<p>(1196855) Member of the public, (Witney, Tower Hill)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Apart from a few, a very few, locations, a 20mph speed limit is quite ludicrous.</p>

<p>(1199558) Member of the public, (Witney, Tower Hill)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>It will do nothing to stop the speeders; Just changing signs does nothing. It just makes life more difficult for the law abiding drivers. How will it be policed? it won't. If you propose speed cameras then do it now. Just because WODC is HQd in Witney why do we have to bear the brunt of all these ideological schemes. Our town is already blocked off to the driving residents and council tax payers of the town. Any other vehicles can drive through, buses, blue badge drivers, taxis, lorries, delivery drivers, white van man. No wonder the shop keepers are complaining. Now our streets are covered with cycle paths that no one uses. Why Witney all the time?</p>
<p>(1215998) Member of the public, (Witney, Town)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>No need to put this in place as you actually cant move any faster than these speeds around witney due to the amount of traffic. Again a waste of money and energy spent.</p>
<p>(1196698) As a business, (Witney, Vale road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Total waste of my money you a council that take no notice of surveys or consultations ....how Democratic is that ????</p>
<p>(1196157) Member of the public, (Witney, Vanner Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The roads are perfectly safe with the current speed limits. Reducing speed limits will only create more traffic and increase journey times.</p>

<p>(1237600) Member of the public, (Witney, Viner Close)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>There is no sound rationale for reducing speed limits on main roads such as Woodstock Road, Jubilee Way, etc. the existing limits are consistent with their use and level of traffic. They are not housing areas which may benefit from a 30 to 20 reduction as has been done on Madley Park. Rather, it will create frustration for all, including Witney residents. This is an unproductive proposal and there are MANY improvements that could be made to Witney traffic other than these.</p>
<p>(1241613) Member of the public, (Witney, Viner Close)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>20 is too low for the main roads, happy for the estates and side roads, 30 is the best speed for the main roads going to 40 as already demarked, and 50 for jubilee way. If you make the speed to slow it will add to congestion and pollution especially with the number of hills in Witney, we need vehicles to get about where ever it is locally and I feel the main roads are suited to the speed already set, Corn street is a good example of the chaos as main road markings are removed for cyclists, and I have rarely seen any!, I use the road regularly at all times and fail to see what this has done for anyone. This really does not need 'fixing', stop penalising the drivers as many of us run small businesses where our cars as very important in the running of our businesses. Making life more difficult for all truck delivery drivers will create chaos and severe problems with their driving hours. I do not see what it will do for Witney having seen the chaos of what has been done in Oxford. Do the council want to penalise business when they rely on them for taxes, employment etc, we cannot live without local business and need to support it not penalise it. Making life even more difficult for carers to get to clients on a timely basis this will be another nail in the coffin of care if you make it more difficult to get about With the cost of fuel so high you will make life even more difficult for everyone at this time. PLEASE think again, green is not always the answer to everything, the same is true of these stupid speed limits..</p>

<p>(1242103) Member of the public, (Witney, Viner Close)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Lowering the speed limits around Witney is a massive waste of peoples money as there is no problem with how they are now and it is just going to create a bigger problem. I have lived in Witney for 25 years and lowering the speed limits will cause more pollution and make people stop visiting the town. the council have already crippled the towns high street with not allowing drivers to use the high street meaning loss of trade for the businesses. Corn street is also another example of a waste of money as they have recently put cycle lanes into it and I have never seen anyone use them at all, but in putting the cycle lanes in they have removed the centre road markings for the car which is dangerous and the roads are built for cars and they seem to be not for cars anymore.</p> <p>Lowering the speed limits will just start to destroy Witney as less people will go as people don't walk into town or cycle they drive as if they are doing shopping then they can't carry all the bags home with them.</p>
<p>(1242609) Member of the public, (witney, Viner Close)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The current speed limits are fine and do not need to be changed. Witney has adequate foot paths cycle lanes now.</p> <p>The expense of doing all this is crazy when we have councils struggling to fund what they have to at present. I can understand changing speed limits on housing estates but not on main arterial roads into Witney. It would once again appear that the minority elements who want this will get their way and the majority suffer. Perhaps we should go back to having a man with a red flag running in front of our vehicles if we go above 5 mph. Or maybe we could all get magic carpets to get about. It seems odd that we make life more difficult for motorists and road users in a society that is actually based on motor vehicles.</p>
<p>(1195620) Member of the public, (Witney, Waine Rush View)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p>



	<p>Having driven in many of the current 20mph areas in Oxfordshire since moving here in Feb 2021, I can't help but feel they cause enormous frustration attempting to ensure you stay at around 17/18mph. It's a laboriously slow speed and being a law abiding citizen it's incredibly frustrating seeing people exceeding the limit, knowing there is nobody to stop them. Adhering to a 20mph limit requires the driver to concentrate almost exclusively on that task, rather than what he should be doing which is concentrating on the road and conditions around him/her, it's a recipe for disaster!</p>
<p>(1197810) Member of the public, (Witney, Weavers Close)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>I see no reason for the 20mph, it is a limit hard to stick to. A 30mph is easier to comply with and makes more sense in most situations. On many of the streets in question, 30mph is not easily attained, especially during busy times so in most cases drivers are already doing little more than 20mph but enforcing that lower limit will result in drivers [enalised for doing as little as 22mph.</p>
<p>(1196784) Member of the public, (Witney, Westcote Close)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>A blanket application of 20mph will not, in my opinion have a positive impact on emissions or road safety that outweighs the costs of implementation. We are fortunate to have relatively low incidences of road traffic accidents in Witney (specifically the areas up for consultation) so the need to reduce high numbers of accidents does not stand up. Earlier pilots of 20mph zones in built up areas suggest that average speeds are reduced by 1mph only when 20mph is introduced. In many areas that the 20mph is being proposed, road conditions already naturally limit the speed to below 30mph (which of course is a limit not a target) due to parked cars, crossings, road bends and other features. In these cases it would be unnecessary to spend highly limited resources on new street signage. Changed speed limits will make no difference to driver behaviour with no policing (and I say this as someone who works and drives in central Oxford and can observe how much those speed limits are adhered to). Traffic calming measures may help a natural reduction of speed, but as noted above many of the roads you plan to apply this to already have those naturally occurring measures. I cannot see the benefit of these measures outweigh the inevitable costs at a time when the roads are in poor condition (Raleigh Crescent is peppered with pot holes and a poor road surface) and road safety could be improved for all if drivers</p>

	<p>and cyclists alike are not forced to swerve around them at any speed. Perhaps an investment in road improvements and / or community policing to monitor the speed limits we already have in place would be a better investment?</p> <p>On emissions, the TfL report in 2018 (Speed, Emissions and Health) identified that there was no net negative impact on air quality by reducing driving speeds ("Slower traffic does not necessarily increase air pollution."). However, it did not identify any net positive impacts that were directly attributable either, noting that changed behaviour to walking or cycling would have greater impact. As we do not have issues with congestion in many or all of the 20mph proposed roads, I can't see that reducing speed to encourage a smoother driving style is likely or necessary.</p> <p>Please think through the objectives of this exercise and identify more efficient ways of applying the investment to achieve far greater impact against those objectives. This smacks of poorly thought through virtue-signalling.</p>
<p>(1205325) Member of the public, (Witney, Westfield road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Object to 20mph speed limits as there is already enough traffic, causing delays around the town. 20mph limits will not be obeyed by many and it will add unnecessary time to journeys, and the more fuel needed will actually be negative for the environment.</p> <p>I do not object to 20mph in the town centre as I understand this is safer, however outside of the town centre is completely unnecessary.</p>
<p>(1198143) Member of the public, (Witney, Wheatfield Drive)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I have objected to the proposed new speed limits because I don't think they are the answer. I think making Welch Way, Witan Way and Corn Street 20mph is fine. But to reduce the speed limit on other roads like Tower Hill, Curbridge Road, Deer Park Road and other roads out of the town center are not the answer. You are creating more pollution. I'm sorry but your own personal agendas are taking over the town.</p>

<p>(1237355) Member of the public, (Witney, Windrush Valley)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>Create further traffic jams within the towns, it would influence other drivers who do not want to adhere to the speed limits to take dangerous overtaking manoeuvres which might potentially lead to an accident, cause bus services to take longer than normal if speed limits them to slower speed.</p>
<p>(1231586) Member of the public, (Witney, Witney I use all of it)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>You have already fucked up oxford leave Witney alone</p>
<p>(1196664) Member of the public, (Witney, Witney Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Driving is not optional for a great many residents of Witney and the surrounding areas. It is untrue to suggest that a) 20mph limits help the environment (they do not), b) that they reduce traffic (they exacerbate congestion by reducing flow), c) that many drivers can make a modal shift but need 'encouragement' to (this is not true, forcing modal shift victimises against factions of society such as those with caring responsibilities, demanding jobs with shift work, disabled etc. and is a fundamentally discriminatory policy). The council appear to be on an ideologically-driven agenda to vex car users. There is no need for a lower speed limit in Witney, there simply is not currently a major problem with road safety. Particularly, reducing speed limits on arterial roads is unnecessary and will drive congestion therefore impacting the lives of ordinary people who need to drive. The council should instead divide the cost of these schemes equally across the residents of Witney and deliver a council tax cut to help with the cost of living crisis (rather than wasting public money on an uncalled-for, ideological war on working people).</p>

<p>(1196042) Member of the public, (Witney, Woodgreen Hill)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>While the introduction of 20 mph limits on housing estates is sensible, it's extension to other roads does not benefit from the same logic. Roads on estates are congested due to on-street parking (itself the consequence of inadequate provision for off-street parking), and one expects children of all ages to be playing in public areas and footways, so the need to reduce speeds is obvious. This does not apply on local distributors and main roads. The introduction of 30 and 40 mph limits is unduly onerous and is being imposed without regard to the lack of need and lack of evidence. In addition, in bringing in all these new restrictions, how are they to be properly enforced? If they are not, they will be widely ignored and that will in itself bring them, and other traffic laws, further into disrepute in the public mind.</p>
<p>(1193250) Member of the public, (Witney, Woodley Green)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>A4095 already very busy and traffic in rush hours. down to 20mph speed limits will cause more chaos.</p>
<p>(1227605) Member of the public, (Witney, Woodstock road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Promotes speeding, and not necessary</p>
<p>(1239657) Member of the public, (Witney, Abbey Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Waste of money which could be put to better purpose. The speed limits won't deter those who always speed &amp; I'm fed up with the council ignoring what the actual citizens of Witney want.</p>

	Perhaps they should consider tidying up the older estates in the town, the roadside gully's are full of weeds & the pavements are overgrown with hedges. The pavement by Sainsburys opposite the trading estate, half the pavement is covered now & there is no point in the expensive cycle/walking lines as only one lane is free!
(1239616) Member of the public, (Witney, All of them)	20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  20mph limits are not enforceable by law and is a complete waste of tax payers money.
(1196809) Member of the public, (Witney, Apley way)	20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  Witney is a carpark every morning and afternoon which is ridiculous in itself, but.... After closing down the high street to cars and making corn street 20 mph the town has been ruined as it is! I do most of shopping online now as its not even remotely convenient to 'pop In to town' anymore due to this. Also, as an avid car enthusiast I feel the government along with the local council is ruining the remaining small pleasures I and other car enthusiasts have left!
(1233685) Member of the public, (Witney, Bramble bank)	20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  Doesn't need to change
(1231998) Member of the public, (Witney, Campion Way)	20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>

	<p>20mph is very slow - too slow really. I agree it should be 20mph around the estates etc but not in town.</p>
<p>(1207029) Member of the public, (Witney, Cornfield Close)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>There is nothing wrong with 30mph speed limits. 20mph is too slow for all routes other than immediately outside a school. Some surveys have concluded that 20mph roads have significantly more pedestrian accidents with vehicles, as it is thought that pedestrians are less careful when traffic is moving at that slow speed.</p>
<p>(1243752) Member of the public, (Witney, Dark Lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>I think a general 20mph speed limit throughout most of Witney will cause more tailbacks, make drivers less aware of their surroundings as they are constantly checking their speed, increase frustration and road rage, and increase harmful emissions which are worse at slower speeds. I have no objection to 20mph in mainly residential areas, but think 30mph as a maximum on the main roads in Witney is perfectly reasonable.</p>
<p>(1234588) Member of the public, (Witney, Deer Park)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>I would first like to see empirical data that conclusively shows:- a) The number of accidents caused by drivers adhering to the current speed limits (What exactly is the problem you are trying to fix here?), versus b) The number of accidents caused by drivers ignoring the current speed limits. c) The policing measures currently in place to enforce drivers who ignore current speed limits (I don't believe reducing speed limits will not deter drivers who ignore the current speed limits). d) If pollution is such an issue, what research had been done to establish the level of improvement to be gained by the proposed speed changes given that there are other causes to be considered such as stationary traffic caused by increased number of traffic lights around the county; parents leaving their vehicles</p>

	running for 20 minutes whilst they wait to collect children from school (I see this daily) ; increased commercial traffic; industry etc.
(1236828) Member of the public, (Witney, Eastfield)	20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  Delays and volume of traffic through Witney are bad enough as it is without traffic having to go even slower
(1193474) Member of the public, (Witney, Eastfield Road)	20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  Not necessary in all of the areas indicated.
(1233776) Member of the public, (Witney, Glyme Way)	20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b>  30 miles per hour is fine for these roads as most of the time you are in traffic going slower. In the village I live in going 20 miles an hour will only back up the traffic even more.
(1240622) As part of a group/organisation, (Witney, Gregory place)	20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  No need to change

<p>(1233337) Member of the public, (Witney, Idbury Close)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Slow the traffic moving out of the town. People get frustrated when moving at 20mph and can cause more damage than good.</p>
<p>(1197494) Member of the public, (Witney, Kingsfield Crescent)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>20 is far too low. Educate drivers on keeping distance between cars rather than speed limits.</p>
<p>(1193477) Member of the public, (Witney, Langdale gate)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The 50mph speed limits on the suggested roads are safe enough, you still get plenty of drivers over taking on the 50mph roads and now proposing to reduce to 40mph there will be serious large volumes of cars over taking 20 mph speed limits by schools are fine The Cowley road I recently drove down is a joke No one is sticking to 20 mph And you get cars and scooters under taking it over taking Corn street in Witney is a joke it causes other drivers road rage doing 20 mph You get bikes over taking in stupid places as well as mopeds The deer park road 40 mph and burford roads again 40 mph is plenty safe enough There will be increased frustration if these areas are reduced to 30mph Any road rage I suffer I will refer them to yourselves Or I will call the police every time some one over takes me because they are breaking the law And I will just refer them back to the people that propose ti implement these speed limits Or is it more revenue to fund speed camera vans</p>



(1198942) Member of the public, (Witney, Meadow View)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Unnecessarily slow on the roads proposed.</p>
(1233624) Member of the public, (Witney, New Mill Lane)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The speed limits are fine exactly as they are. Stop wasting time and funding on something that doesn't need fixing.</p>
(1197623) Member of the public, (Witney, Newland)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I feel that 20 mph is a speed which will not help the already awful traffic congestion in the town as it is.</p>
(1196395) Member of the public, (Witney, Newland Mill)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>We do not need these speed reductions.  30mph through the town is rarely possible anyway.  jubilee way has a cycle lane already and 50mph seems sensible</p>

<p>(1199255) Member of the public, (Witney, Stow avenue)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>The speed limits in Witney are perfectly acceptable as they are and don't need money being spent on changing them</p>
<p>(1236987) Member of the public, (Witney, Wadards meadow)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Some side streets 20mph is ok but not on main roads it's not ok.</p>
<p>(1197065) As a business, (Carterton, Driving Instructor)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>The maintenance of the current signs throughout Oxfordshire is woeful. Many are either overgrown by foliage, too filthy, or too faded to be legible. Therefore putting up more signs to become filthy, faded and overgrown seems utterly pointless, unenforceable and a waste of resources.</p> <p>Additionally, when driving /teaching others to drive in the 20mph speed limits in Oxford, I am often tailgated or overtaken. I struggle to see how the frustration caused and ignorance shown by many drivers improves road safety.</p> <p>Find a better way of encouraging drivers to be more considerate and drive at an appropriate speed for the conditions, within the current speed limits with signs that are maintained. I'd be delighted to assist in any way. Call me on 07825 588080, or email p1brx@btinternet.com.</p>
<p>(1197830) Member of the public, (Carterton, Shillbrook Avenue)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>Concerns. Because speed limits are not adhered to now and there appears to be no enforcement so changing the limit will make no difference</p>

(1201922) Member of the public, (Curbridge, Centenary)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I have no concern if the proposed 20mph limit is limited to; residential areas, the town centre and near schools or playing areas.</p>
(1238161) Member of the public, (Hailey, Foxburrow lane)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>While decrease to 20 in more built up area seems sensible. The roads which link need to flow freely to allow movement decreasing this can only build up more traffic</p>
(1233402) Member of the public, (Hanborough, Main Road)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>Because they will just slow down traffic for very little gain. Drivers will get frustrated and it will lead to more accidents.</p>
(1233637) Member of the public, (Leafield, Fairspear Road)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>Cars are not economical at lower speeds especially 20mph. They cause more pollution at that speed and cost more to run.</p>

	<p>West Oxfordshire is very rural, we dont have suitable transport links and therefore need to be able to drive efficiently to go to work.</p> <p>I am a community carer, my wages are low and my reimbursement doesn't cover my outlay when, driving in built up areas. I drive with care and can't avoid these areas.</p> <p>I have to collect clients, so can't park up and walk.</p> <p>Driving speeds on main roads need to remain at 30/40/50 mph to remain efficient. Also reducing speeds is not only increasing pollution from more emissions, it will cause more delays and traffic build up queues, where they don't currently exist.</p> <p>Schemes are required to keep traffic free flowing, especially now that all the traffic is diverted around Witan way and Corn street, pushing more traffic up Holloway road too, do something to ease the jams in and out of Witan way car parks, and to the Bridge street roundabouts. Moving the pavement where the unused cycle rack is, to create two lanes outside RN Peace would help those of us wanting to turn left up Mill street, further back, as we used to, would be a start.</p> <p>More pedestrian crossings make pedestrians safer. Lowering the speed doesn't help you cross the road in flowing traffic.</p>
<p>(1194045) Member of the public, (Leafield, The Ridings)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>Speed limits are necessary but only in the places where needed! Where they are inappropriate they will be ignored and the more of those there are the more they will be ignored unless policed.</p>
<p>(1199174) Member of the public, (Marcham, Anson Close)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Believe reducing the 50 and 40 to be sensible measures, as well as moving to 20 on predominantly residential streets, though feel applying to more major trunk roads, such as Woodstock Road and Oxford Hill for example will make traffic worse, have longer residency times for emailing vehicles and will mean Lowe gears, higher rpms from engines leading to higher emissions overall in higher traffic areas which already are better served by footpaths etc.</p>

<p>(1197618) Member of the public, (North Leigh, Windmill Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>20mph limits in pedestrian busy areas yes im all for it, but changing the speed limits of bigger roads is purely ludicrous, were supposed to be fighting pollution and saving money, not making journeys take longer, which will still have the same amount of traffic, and possibly even worse. Besides, the majority of people ignore 20 zones (I have loads of experience, driving being my profession) which ultimately lead to more dangerous driving, tail gating and even accidents because other drivers feel under pressure! Housing estates and industrial estates to be 20 only, all other roads leave as they are.</p>
<p>(1232725) Member of the public, (Standlake, Woodlands)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>20mph in the town centre is good, providing the barriers to the High Street are removed. They are dangerous for pedestrians where traffic crosses to the 'wrong side of the road. I'm not sure that there aren't more important things for the Council to focus on following the pandemic and with a recession looking inevitable. Will changing the speed limits encourage people to support Witney retailers and businesses? The cost involved could be better spent on repairing the roads which are currently disgraceful and causing damage to vehicles, irrespective of speed.</p>
<p>(1237626) Member of the public, (Witney, Birdlip Close)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>20mph limits on estates eg Burwell, Deer Park are possibly quite sensible. On many it is hard to go much above that anyway. Object to the 30 and 40mph changes to various more major roads- no need to change them, Roads are not residential or have slip road (eg part of Burford Rd) making them safer with the higher limit. Roads like Corn St do not need to be 20mph whole length, from Holloway Rd towards town centre would be enough. If speeds are too low, then majority won't stick to them and those who try to are hassled by other drivers.</p>

<p>(1212429) Member of the public, (Witney, Blakes Avenue)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>I am concerned that this project is being carried out with no real evidence of it being needed and no chance at all of it being enforced. Are there accident figures over an above the national average on ANY of the roads this is being proposed for? If it is passed and goes ahead I would expect to see no further cycling on pavements by any adults as presumably they will be safer on the roads now and therefore able to leave the pavements safe for pedestrians</p>
<p>(1199744) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell Drive)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>I feel that reducing the limits for the following roads will frustrate drivers: 20 mph - Ducklington Lane &amp; Curbridge Road should remain @ 30mph with additional speed cameras for the 20mph zones near schools. 40 mph - Jubilee Way has an excellent cycle and footpath on the inside of the road and doesn't need to drop from 50mph. Additionally I'd like to see the following as means of enforcing the new limits: A permanent mobile speed Camera for Witney. Speed reporting signs, similar to Lew and Cubridge every 600m, of 20 mph limit, including residential areas to prevent 'rat runs' being created. Speed Cameras on Curbridge road, Downs Road, Ducklington Road &amp; Burwell Drive. This is because drivers are travelling well in excess of the current limits and behavior will only change if there is a deterrent. Rat runs, such as Burwell Drive at the moment, will be used by drivers to avoid cameras whilst increasing speeds on smaller roads, to the detriment of safety to residents and non vehicular users.</p>
<p>(1198034) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell Meadow)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>20 mph is too low for most of these roads and would kill traffic flow. Plans to make buses quicker along the A40 towards Oxford would be impacted on these proposals.</p>

<p>(1220589) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell meadow)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>I agree that housing estates should be 20 mph, which are not addressed in your plan, such as Smiths Estate, Burwell and Burwell Meadow and others..Cogges etc. Reduction from 50 to 40 on Jubilee Way I suggest is not required, no accidents so why the bother. 40 to 30 on Deer Park, again why bother. If you are citing that this will reduce traffic noise, why not consider reducing the speed limit on the A40 By Pass to 50MPH?? Bet you won't even consider it...do you know you can hear the By Pass noise on Church Green???</p> <p>Long dead roads such as Curbridge Road and Burford Road will not be viable. I totally understand the horrific accident killing poor young Liberty, but the guy was well over the 30MPH limit so why will a 20MPH reduce accidents. The OCC has already introduced a 20MPH zone on Corn Street, Witney, (which I am one of the few that abide by) has this reduced accidents?? Has this increased cyclist flows?? Has this increased more road signs on the road which look awful for the town? Will the 20MPH include reopening our...NOT your, High Street and I agree this should be 20MPH.</p>
<p>(1244657) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell Meadow)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Based upon studies of previous implementations of 20 mph limits in other areas of Oxfordshire, it is clear that the cost of implementing and enforcing a 20 mph speed limit will be an excessive waste of local government funds for very little actual reduction in the median speed of the traffic or compliance. There is good reason to suggest that such a reduction will increase driver frustration and resulting accident risk. The law enforcement in the area are unable to enforce current limits so it is pointless to introduce new limits.</p>

<p>(1200394) As a business, (Witney, Cedar Drive)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>As a Witney resident I have noticed the implementation of the 20mph speed limits in many roads, some of these I support whereas others I feel have been placed where they will be ignored. My opinion regarding the present limits is that many people just don't keep to them as they don't see a valid reason to do so. Regarding the proposed limits you are not being realistic. The enforcement of these limits has, as you are aware, to be done by an overworked police force and if you don't monitor such places as Woodstock Rd (close to my home) for offenders how is a lower limit going to be enforced? If they see no good reason to keep to a 30 then why would they even consider doing a 20?? You need to throttle back (no pun intended!) on putting lower speed limits in places where they just won't work. I'm all for a better, safer road environment but what exactly is prompting all this?? Some of the accidents that have resulted in fatalities are not due to so much as excessive speed they are a result of some reckless driver who would get into the same problem whatever the speed limit in place. Practically all the white lines at junctions in Madley Park have now been erased due to the fact they have worn out and this gives rise to people not being aware of a junction or whatever else they can't work out. Stop spending money on issues that will not be either beneficial in terms of safety or cost effectiveness. Don't start going on about air pollution as lower limits, traffic lights, road closures (High St in Witney? DON'T EVEN GO THERE!) and any other measure you put in place will only contribute to this mess.</p>
<p>(1205197) Member of the public, (Witney, Cotswold Meadow)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>This will only frustrate some motorists and cause them to speed regardless. There should be more monitoring of the current speed limits. if you stand near the roundabout at the bottom of Deer Park cars are driving well in excess of 40mph. Current limits are adequate if monitored properly</p>
<p>(1239712) Member of the public, (Witney, Crawley road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p>



	<p>Not sure what the new limit achieves. I'm not against it as such, but would like to understand the rationale behind it. I don't see any evidence presented for a reduction in accidents for example. Negatively, it is unlikely to slow the speeders without enforcement and may only add to congestion and driver frustration.</p>
<p>(1195770) Member of the public, (Witney, Curbridge Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>However, how will they be enforced? living on Curbridge road cars still travel along there in excess of 40 MPH, I have been overtaken a few times when sticking to the 30MPH speed limit. Think you will need to back it all up with speed cameras. I Agree that the speed limit should be 20 mph in all housing Estates but the major routes should be 30 still and 40 round Deer park. They just need enforcing.</p> <p>Also enforce the double yellow lines in the center of town out of normal working hours, especially down Corn street which gridlocks and would massively impede any emergency vehicle taking that route, which I would assume is why the double yellows are there for. All for ticketing people and make them pay, as long as it goes back into the council coffers to pay for services.</p>
<p>(1198099) Member of the public, (WITNEY, EASTFIELD ROAD)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>20mph limits are fine in the town centre areas and on estates, but would be ridiculous on Witan Way, Hailey Road, Burford Road, Ducklington Lane, Tower Hill, Curbridge Road, Oxford Hill, Woodstock Road, Jubilee Way, Station Lane and Welsh Way &amp; Corn Street from Holloway Road to the the big roundabout. The reasons cars and busses are so polluting is slow speeds and traffic jams, increasing these seems a bizarre idea.</p>
<p>(1209591) As a business, (Witney, High Street)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>I doubt the reasons given by OCC, for I rather think that the prime thrust is anti-car rather than anything else.</p>

<p>(1196184) Member of the public, (Witney, Holloway Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>I agree with 20mph on residential side streets. The main roads and arteries should be left as they are.</p>
<p>(1197220) Member of the public, (Witney, Holloway Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>20 mph zones on certain long roads will cause issues, I. Top end of Woodstock rd, Certain wider areas of Burford road etc.</p>
<p>(1240390) Member of the public, (Witney, Mill Street)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>This survey does not tell just where speed limits will be introduced and I do not trust the motives of the decision makers.</p>
<p>(1233731) Member of the public, (Witney, moorland road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>20mph unrealistic</p>
<p>(1208715) Member of the public, (Witney, New Yatt Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I am concerned that using a 20mph limit on main roads could push traffic into the side roads more, many of which don't have a reduced speed limit in place. It seems to make more sense to reduce the speed to 30 on all the roads in and around</p>

	<p>Witney and reduce all those in housing estates (eg Farmers Close, Deer Park, Quarry Road) to 20. These limits are only going to be useful if they are enforced, and it would be interesting to know what plans would be put in place to actively reduce speeds on the roads in question.</p>
<p>(1202063) Member of the public, (WITNEY, Newland)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I think that 20mph speed limits should be put in place around schools (For example, Woodgreen School on Woodstock Road) and on built up housing estates but the other changes seem unnecessary and a waste of money.</p>
<p>(1233237) Member of the public, (Witney, Oxford hill)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>It's a major road and often congested so you end up doing 5mph anyway</p>
<p>(1194449) Member of the public, (Witney, pensclose)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I'm not convinced at the climate benefits of people driving at 20mph. I've heard it can be worse than at higher speeds. I support 20mph on grounds of safety though</p>
<p>(1199292) Member of the public, (Witney, Raleigh Crescent)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>These haven't been thought through from an environmental point of view, congestion and safety point of view. Coming from a serving police officer and a bsc physical geography and environmental science</p>

(1233130) Member of the public, (Witney, Taphouse Avenue)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>I have serious concerns about introducing yet more restrictions on the roads in and around Witney. The town is already suffering with lots of other issues, like empty shops, no bypass, ongoing roadworks and traffic. The money would be better spent elsewhere</p>
(1232793) Member of the public, (witney, towerhill)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I feel tower hill should be reduced to 20 mph for peoples safety as its used as a race track by some people. anywhere between 30 to 60 mph. The speed limit signs for 30 mph are at ducklington roundabout and on the burford road maybe there should be more speed limit signs put up.</p>
(1215891) Member of the public, (Witney, Union Way)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>While I accept the proposed 20 mph limits for most residential areas I believe that the proposals for the main routes listed are too extensive to be realistic. Unless they are supported by extensive traffic calming measures and effective enforcement they will be largely ignored and the programme discredited. I would suggest that a much reduced programme would stand a better chance of success and might include Mill Street, all of High Street, Bridge Street, West End and an equivalent length of Broad Hill and Newland, Witan Way between High Street and the Sainsbury Roundabout, Woodford Way and Welch Way from Moor Avenue to the current 20 mph limit. This more focussed programme would, I believe, have much greater effect.</p>

<p>(1193644) Member of the public, (Witney, Valence Crescent)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I can understand 20mph limits in built up areas of Witney but see no evidence of people sticking to them to date! The 30mph proposed on Deer Park road and the road down to Crawley are simply ridiculous ...would speed humps be more effective down the Crawley road instead? Surely speed limits need to reflect the surrounding area not just tick a box for someone's political ambitions!!</p>
<p>(1193655) Rather not say, (Witney, Woodgreen)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>My main concern for the blanket 20MPH throughout the town is the impact this WILL HAVE for the Fire Service in Witney. The crews DO NOT stay on station and only respond to the station when a call comes in. Seconds count in fires and the added delay created both getting to and responding from the station will add MINUTES to any response. Full consideration MUST be given to this impact and I would advise a meeting with station management is a MUST as part of this consultation.</p>
<p>(1215852) Member of the public, (Witney, Woodstock)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>Have no objections to the centre of Witney having 20mph speed limits covering areas such as Bridge Street, West End, Corn Street, Mill Street, Church Green, Witan Way, but have concerns why it is deemed necessary to extend 20mph zones to the outer areas of Witney. Concerns are !. What evidence is there that the speed reduction say in the Woodstock Road will make any material difference. Have any studies been conducted and published into the impact on safety, improvement/detrimental effect on air quality or pollution as non EV cars will be in 2nd or 3rd gear to adhere to 20mph. This is not optimal for reduction of emissions</p>

	<p>2. How will these speed limits be enforced. I notice that this is the responsibility of TVP, but I can vouch from my own experience living on Woodstock Road that very little enforcement is evident at the current 30mph so why bother with the expense of changing when nothing will be achieved.</p> <p>3. why was the traffic order published in the Witney Gazette on 15th June. and then details of this consultation in the next weeks edition, surely this is the wrong way round and gives the impression that the consultation is just for show and despite what feedback you receive the decisions have already been made. I had high hopes for the Alliances at the OCC and WODC but fine words about listening to and delivering for the public appears to have fallen at the first hurdle. Roll on the next Local elections.</p>
<p>(1233400) Member of the public, (Witney, Church Lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I can see that reducing speeds through Witney may help prevent accidents (I am not aware that there are currently a lot of speed related accidents locally?) but proposed reductions are too slow. Crawling through Witney at 20 miles an hour is going to bring traffic to a complete halt/gridlock, even when there are lower volumes of traffic.</p>
<p>(1241194) Member of the public, (Witney, Hailey)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>The extent is too great and without effective policing is likely to be ignored, particularly deer park road. People are more likely to ignore them everywhere, whereas a more restricted coverage might be more effective. This really needs to be combined with the pedestrianisation, as a cohesive change, and in particular ensure that the high street is physically a no through road for everything except buses and taxis.</p>
<p>(1196656) Member of the public, (Witney, Rowan Drive)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p>

	<p>This is part of an anti car crusade there means increased misery for drivers and no real benefits for our community. 20 mph limits have not improved driver behavior on Madley, only a more regular police presents will do that, Lowering the other speed limits, on jubilee way for example makes no sense when the road was designed for higher speeds. This proposal is virtue signaling by councilors who are avoiding the real issue of dramatically increasing the number of houses without planning to improve the road infrastructure to match the inevitable increased demand. This is why I object to this proposal.</p>
<p>(1198093) Member of the public, (Witney, Windrush Valley road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I believe 20mph is pointless no one will stick to it as there are not enough police to enforce it</p>
<p>(1196151) Member of the public, (Witney, Painswick Close)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>My main objection is to the proposed 30mph limit on Deer Park Road - there are no houses on this road, so I'm unsure why the speed limit is being reduced. At times even 40mph feels too slow. People that don't adhere to the speed limits now will not adhere to the new proposed limits so I'm unsure what the objective is here.</p>
<p>(1217221) Member of the public, (Witney, Dark Lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>Town is in congestion most of time and even buses do not respect the speed restriction.</p>
<p>(1196992) Member of the public, (Aston, Back Lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>To make roads in Witney safer and more pleasant for the majority of road users that aren't inside cars.</p>

(1215980) Member of the public, (Carterton, Ashfield Road)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Roads are getting more busy and congested. Speeds need to be controlled. In an ideal world I would eventually like to see variable speed limits on roads, so that they are lower when busy, but can be raised a little when quite</p>
(1233482) Member of the public, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>support as slower speeds cut emissions and increase cycling rates as cyclist feel (and are safer).</p>
(1242019) Member of the public, (Hailey, Middletown)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>As a regular user of Hailey road it is becoming increasingly dangerous to drop my children off at school. Car steam past the crossing by the garage without stopping on a regular basis, I have been narrowly missed on a number of occasions so a lower speed limit might help those perpetrators to be more aware of road safety and stopping when it is required. Traffic lights are ultimately needed at the crossing by the school and garage to make this much safer.</p>
(1233377) Member of the public, (North Leigh, New Yatt Road)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p>



	I have witnessed a lot of dangerous speeding on nearby roads.
(1197711) Member of the public, (oxford, alice smith sq)	20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b>  all roads should be 20mph
(1198656) Member of the public, (South leigh, Lymbrook close)	20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  20 mph in housing, schools support. concerns over 30/40 mph speeds moving up and down on through roads may lead to accidents drives miss speed changes, and with the speed bikes travel now, plus the new electric scooters, may lead to problems hope not.
(1195536) Member of the public, (Standlake, Rack End)	20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  Vehicle speeds need to be reduced for safety and environmental reasons
(1197889) Member of the public, (Whiteoak Green, Singe Wood)	20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  Speed limits not relevant in traffic but when there is ok traffic it's not an invitation to speed.

<p>(1208032) Member of the public, (Witney, A4095 Woodstock Rd)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Safety for cyclists and pedestrians, reduction in noise, reduction in emissions</p>
<p>(1232515) Member of the public, (Witney, Blakes Ave)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Traffic is too fast in Witney and needs to slow down.</p>
<p>(1199305) Member of the public, (Witney, Bramley Heights)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Safety of pedestrians, reduced noise levels, less pollution</p>
<p>(1219697) Member of the public, (Witney, Burford Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I live in a retirement complex just off the Burford Road. There has been increased traffic over the last two years and there are many incidents of speeding. Although there is a sign that shows elderly people crossing, many drivers do not take that into consideration; I'm not sure people even notice it.</p> <p>Some living here have limited mobility and even fitter residents aren't as speedy as they were! The average age of residents is 80+.</p> <p>It can also be quite nerve racking trying to cross the road and for the few residents who drive, pulling out onto the road is a bit of an ordeal, particularly if you need to turn right.</p> <p>I would like to see a 20MPH speed limit stretching from Witney High Street up the Burford Road to the traffic lights at the Woodford Way junction. I have seen drivers turn from the high street and put their foot down up to these lights and similarly</p>

	<p>coming back down the Burford Road. On one occasion the road was clear when a driver appeared at great speed and kept the speed up and crossed onto the other side of the road to avoid me rather than attempting to slow down. It would be really helpful to have a flashing SLOW DOWN sign as cars approach the Riverside Gardens entrances; that couldn't be missed and would benefit all residents in the complex.</p> <p>I think all the proposed speed limits are quite sensible, not just for traffic/pedestrian safety, but also to help reduce the pollution throughout Witney, which is particularly bad at the Bridge Street end of town.</p> <p>Residents here do worry about the traffic speed, even though many are unable to do online surveys.</p>
<p>(1194683) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell Drive)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>We live on Burwell Drive which is continually being used for a race track, especially in the summer months when the Uni students are back, meet up with their mates and cause havock.</p>
<p>(1197987) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell Meadow)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I would like to see a reduced speed limit in Burwell Meadow. The current speed limit is far too fast for the nature of the roads. I have appreciated the lower speed limit in Corn Street and think it has made it a quieter and more pleasant road for all. I would like to see this extended so that driving generally becomes less frantic around the town.</p>
<p>(1198998) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell Meadow)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I support the 20mph limits within the town centre. However I do not see any reason to lower existing 30, 40, and 50 mph limits on roads leading to and away from the town centre. Why are these feeder roads being targeted when there is no mention of reducing the speed limit to 20mph on many of the residential roads one of which I live on?</p>

<p>(1204114) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell Meadow)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>20 mph limits are very important in residential area such as Burwell Meadow, where I live, in order to encourage more active travel, e.g. more walking and cycling rather than car-driving for short journeys. Lower limits of 30 or 40 mph on non-residential roads are also desirable for the same reasons.</p>
<p>(1206737) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell Meadow)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Speeding through Burwell Meadow is dangerous</p>
<p>(1195733) Member of the public, (Witney, Cherry Tree Way)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Will improve safety and encourage cycling</p>
<p>(1224181) Member of the public, (Witney, Church Green)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Traffic moves around the town at speed causing noise, nuisance and pollution as well as risk to pedestrians. Witan Way is often very difficult to cross due to volume and speed of traffic.</p>

<p>(1224811) Member of the public, (Witney, Church Green)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>The existing speed limits are already abused by some and misunderstood by some. The new limits proposed would leave little doubt about the roads &amp; areas to which they apply and will be a significant safety improvement.</p>
<p>(1195715) Member of the public, (Witney, Corn Street)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>20mph areas seem fair and are in residential and town centre location, this is supported by myself. 30mph proposals are on non residential, larger roads and act as internal ring roads. No need for speed reduction from 40mph. Jubilee Way is a main route also, don't see any need for a reduction from 50mph here.</p>
<p>(1197780) Member of the public, (Witney, Corn Street)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>20mph better for safety and environment. Hope it will encourage more people to consider walking short distances.</p>
<p>(1198782) Member of the public, (Witney, Corn Street)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>Expand the 20mph zones</p>

<p>(1219415) Member of the public, (Witney, Corn Street)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Safer environment for pedestrians and cyclists.</p>
<p>(1256164) Member of the public, (Witney, Corndell Gardens)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>Safer for pedestrians and cyclists</p>
<p>(1198016) Member of the public, (Witney, CORNFIELD CLOSE)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Sensible for pedestrians. Please cut back overgrown hedges-this is blocking many turns onto main roads.</p>
<p>(1251489) Member of the public, (Witney, Curbridge Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>Traffic on Curbridge Road has greatly increased since the new Windrush estate opened. Much of this traffic speeds along Curbridge Road and past the School and Nursery. I have even seen a double decker bus stopped for speeding. There used to be police checks on speed but this no longer happens. Some traffic sticks near to 30mph but I would estimate some at 40 -50 mph. This is particularly dangerous near the school. I expect any 20mph limit to be widely ignored but perhaps those that normally drive too fast will reduce their speed somewhat, even if just down to 30! In this way the reduced limit will be useful. And I speak as a car driver myself who will not be immune to the difficulty in keeping to 20.</p>

<p>(1198600) Member of the public, (Witney, Dark Lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I support any move to dramatically reduced speeds on the town's roads. I do so from a position on safety first, nuisance and noise after that! Our little children deserve a safe town. No one will suffer from a vast reduction. We will all benefit from reductions.</p>
<p>(1197100) Member of the public, (Witney, Deer Park Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>Many of the local roads have already been reduced from 50 to 40, making journeys longer and causing confusion for some drivers who have absolutely no idea what the speed limit is on the road they are using. This causes delays, frustration, and can lead to accidents from impatient drivers who then try to overtake in unsuitable areas. This is particularly the case on the A4095 past North Leigh where fatalities have occurred in recent years. My concerns surround correct signage indicating the new limits on main roads, traffic calming measures to be added in places being reduced to 20 and 30. Deer Park Road is often used by “boy racers” late at night because it is wide, relatively straight and easy to negotiate, thereby making it attractive to people wishing to race. This applies both to cars and motorcycles. I hear them racing late at night as my bedroom faces Deer Park Road. There are also no crossing points (zebra or pelican) anywhere along Deer Park Road meaning children, those walking dogs and the elderly residents of local care homes face difficulties in crossing safely. I would welcome the introduction of either traffic calming measures or proper crossing points on Deer Park Road, especially with all the new housing on the Curbridge side of Deer Park Road. I would also welcome a 20mph limit on Deer Park Road due to the amount of housing in the area now.</p>
<p>(1209376) Member of the public, (Witney, Early Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>We live on Early Road and frequently walk on Woodstock Road, New Yatt Road and others nearby. We would feel much safer if the traffic went a bit slower on these and other roads in Witney.</p>

<p>(1199429) Member of the public, (Witney, Fairfield Drive)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Traffic speeds in Witney are too high and deter cyclists/ pedestrians and just make the town unpleasan and unsafe. However the speed limits must be enforced to have an effect as current speed limits are not adhered to by a large percentage of drivers.</p>
<p>(1223924) Member of the public, (Witney, Farm Mill Lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>I have concerns about Station Lane being higher than 20 mph. Both pedestrian crossings are far apart, many people need to cross the road for work, business and leisure. (One group had to cease using a business space on Station Lane as their users who were all pedestrians had difficulty crossing.) Much of the traffic already goes faster than 30mph and there are bends in the road which create difficulties for both drivers and pedestrians.</p>
<p>(1195190) Member of the public, (Witney, Gloucester Court Mews)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>In Witney Town Centre pedestrians should have priority</p>
<p>(1193594) Member of the public, (Witney, Hailey road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>I'm supporting the lower road speed limits, because I live on Hailey road &amp; everyday I witness dangerous speeding along our road &amp; when we had speed humps laid years ago it made absolutely no difference, in fact cars seem to go even faster now?? Hard to comprehend but that's the truth! I don't want to witness a child or anyone being hit by a car. I fully support the 20mph speed limit</p>



(1194456) Member of the public, (Witney, Heron Drive)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Will mean I feel safer when cycling and more likely to leave the car at home and cycle or walk.</p>
(1245291) Member of the public, (Witney, Hoyle Close)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>The 20mph limits proposed along the Hailey Road would make it safer for families travelling to Witney Community Primary School. The crossings along that road are not in the most ideal positions and there have been accidents.</p>
(1233210) Member of the public, (Witney, Judds close)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I support the 20mph and 30mph changes as they are in areas where there is heavy foot traffic, however I object to dropping the 50mph zones to 40mph as these areas aren't as high in foot traffic and the roads are suitable for 50mph</p>
(1196956) Member of the public, (Witney, Kingsfield Crescent)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>20mph is better for the environment and safer for pedestrians, cyclists and other road users. Also people must stop using cars for short journeys.</p>

	<p>30mph ok where no pedestrians  40mph no acceptable within the town anywhere</p>
<p>(1195366)  Member of the public, (Witney, Leys Villas)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I feel that it will improve the quality of life for Witney residents</p>
<p>(1196911)  Member of the public, (Witney, Manor Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Improved safety, reduced noise and pollution. The reduced speed limits will have very little effect on journey times.</p>
<p>(1197469)  Member of the public, (Witney, Manor Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I think people drive too quickly in areas that are highly populated or used.</p>
<p>(1197380)  Member of the public, (Witney, Marriotts Walk)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Safety for my granddaughter and others</p>

<p>(1195426) Member of the public, (Witney, Moor Avenue)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>I think ALL the proposed 20 limits are a good idea as these areas are densely populated areas with heavy traffic on relatively narrow roads with many pedestrians and houses. I disagree with reducing the limits currently at 40 and 50. These roads are less populated and on the outskirts of town. I think reducing the speed limit on these roads would cause unnecessary congestion and result in frustration with drivers which may lead to accidents.</p> <p>Note: All this is all well and good unless it is policed. I walk many roads that have recently been reduced to 20 and vehicles are clearly not sticking to the limit. Maybe extra traffic-calming is needed, or simply paint the speed onto the tarmac.</p>
<p>(1198464) Member of the public, (Witney, Moorland Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Lower speed limits should in theory make it safer for urban road users but are only any good if they are properly and regularly enforced. Why have not other town roads been included in the consultation e.g Moorland Road and Moor Avenue?</p>
<p>(1196052) Member of the public, (Witney, New Yatt Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>Traffic speeds along New Yatt Road which is a narrow residential street</p>
<p>(1196373) Member of the public, (Witney, New Yatt Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Reducing the speed from 30 to 20 very much increases survivability in case of an accident. It also reduces noise and discourages racing in residential neighbourhoods. Studies show that in roads where there is frequent stopping at junctions,</p>

	<p>traffic lights etc the lower driving speed does not perceptibly increase the amount of time taken to drive any given distance, and can save fuel due to lower acceleration between stops.</p>
<p>(1207723) Member of the public, (Witney, Newland)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Newland is a busy road with heavy traffic, lorries and buses, it also has very narrow pavements in places and it is crossed by children in their way to school. Reducing speed would make it safer for pedestrians. Traffic travelling towards Oxford hill, in particular, speed up as they are leaving town. These measures would improve safety for all and make Witney a more pleasant place to live.</p>
<p>(1208112) Member of the public, (Witney, Newland)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>The new 20 mph speed limits would include many roads outside schools where drivers often drive too fast and with little extra care</p>
<p>(1233740) Member of the public, (Witney, Newland)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>A 20 mph speed limit will significantly reduce traffic noise and add to pedestrian safety</p>
<p>(1233260) Member of the public, (Witney, Newland Mill)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p>

	I believe speed must be reduced around towns
(1234571) Member of the public, (Witney, Newland Mill)	20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  People drive too fast. Driving at a slower speed is environmentally better (saves fuel, lower emissions)
(1210213) Member of the public, (Witney, Oxford Hill)	20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  I live at the bottom of Oxford Hill and would like to see traffic slowed down on it. I would also like to see a slow down speed registering sign.
(1196630) Member of the public, (Witney, Park View Road)	20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  We need to make the town safer for children and cyclists and reduce pollution and CO2 emissions. Please also build the Shore Green Link to avoid unnecessary driving through the town centre.
(1247169) Member of the public, (Witney, The Crescent)	20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>

	Woodstock Road needs to be a lower speed limit, or have a suitably enforced 30mph limit. Traffic is too fast at non busy times.
(1198521) Member of the public, (Witney, The Crofts)	20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  Lowering the speed limits greatly increases safety and reduces car emissions, with only a small sacrifice in terms of speed.
(1197170) Member of the public, (Witney, Thorney Leys)	20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  Safer for everyone
(1196905) Member of the public, (Witney, West End)	20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b>  Noise levels. Speed at taking corners and through chicanes (narrow parts of street). Drawing out of and entering residences becomes more dangerous.
(1197353) Member of the public, (Witney, West End)	20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  West End, Witney, is a through road but also a completely residential road, with a bend, narrowings, and parked cars either side. Traffic regularly disobeys the 30mph limit and has exceeded 45mph, creating a huge hazard and making living in West End unpleasant.

(1198846) Member of the public, (Witney, West End)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>20 MPH is enough in towns and more so down West End. Just leave a little earlier, be safer and save your petrol if travelling by car, or try using your legs, when possible.</p>
(1193967) Member of the public, (Witney, Windrush Valley Road)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>This will help to reduce the chronic air quality issues in the centre of town and make the roads in and out of the town centre safer for ALL road users.</p>
(1195173) Member of the public, (WITNEY, Windrush Valley Road)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Environmental concerns, playing children and reducing petrol consumption by driving more slowly</p>
(1197112) Member of the public, (Witney, Woodford Mill)	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b>  40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>better safety, better for the environment</p>

<p>(1204316) Member of the public, (Witney, Woodford Mill)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Speeds need to be reduced throughout Witney. Having said that any new speed limits must be enforced.</p>
<p>(1203951) Member of the public, (Witney, Woodstock Rd)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>Although I drive, I also regularly walk and cycle and feel quite threatened by the speed of vehicles. It would be good to have some areas of the town where the max speed is 20mph to protect everyone but especially children, people with pushchairs and wheelchair users.</p> <p>The car has been paramount for far too long. Reducing speeds will calm down traffic, prevent accidents and reduce pollution.</p>
<p>(1203492) Member of the public, (Witney, Woodstock road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Dpeed of cars exiting town is increasing rapidly especially in the early to late evening tim</p>
<p>(1203999) Member of the public, (Witney, Woodstock Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>No opinion</b></p> <p>Vehicles regularly travel over 30 mph approaching Woodgreen School and everyone knows the speed camera hasn't been in operation for years. I would also suggest that selecting an unusual speed limit (e.g. 23 mph) gets noticed and complied with more effectively than a round number like 20 mph which drivers don't notice. I have experience of implementing speed limits on large construction sites and I know that strategy works.</p>



<p>(1204249) Member of the public, (Witney, Woodstock Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I live on Woodstock road and frequently listen to the sound of cars exceeding 30MPH as cars accelerate between the speed camera and wood green. Whilst I'm in favour of 20MPH, its implementation will only be useful if compliance can be maintained - the current speed camera is not an effective way of ensuring people do 30 MPH as this is regularly exceeded. I can't imagine drivers willingly complying with 20MPH if they know they can still get away with driving in excess of 30MPH unless their average speed is taken the whole way down the road.</p>
<p>(1217583) Member of the public, (Witney, Woodstock Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Lowering limits will hopefully bring about an improved culture across Witney to encourage safer and more aware driving especially on routes our children take to and from schools. The knock on impact will be people feeling more confident for themselves/their family to walk/cycle where possible.</p>
<p>(1246504) Member of the public, (Witney, Woodstock Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Safety</li> <li>2. Fuel consumption reduction</li> <li>3. Noise pollution reduction</li> <li>4. Improved traffic flow</li> <li>5. Improved ability for pedestrians to cross road as no formal crossing for pedestrians crossing in the region of Holy Trinity,</li> <li>6. To encourage people to walk or bike rather than drive.</li> </ol> <p>The Woodstock Rd is a racetrack when it isn't nose to tail with traffic. In particular, heading AWAY from the town and in the evenings.</p>

<p>(1248287) Member of the public, (Witney, Woodstock Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>as a cyclist and pedestrian I frequently encounter cars, vans and lorries travelling above 30 mph in zones that are already set at that speed in the town. Moreover, there is a dearth of pedestrian crossings in the town which makes the 20 mph limit all the more vital.</p>
<p>(1193019) Member of the public, (Witney, Burford Rd)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I walk and run regularly through Witney, my children both walk to school and speeding vehicles intimidate and make me feel unsafe daily. This discourages me from walking at certain times and places. Cars rule the town. Witney has the potential to be a pedestrian/ cycle priority town which would in turn reduce traffic, pollution and encourage more people to walk. I am mobile. I can see how speeding traffic would deter less mobile people from leaving their house and isolate them. Speeding vehicles make me sad and cross and there is no need for it.</p>
<p>(1199051) Member of the public, (Witney, Burford Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>Support 20mph zones, particularly on Burford Road. Cars drive past our house at excessive speeds. It is dangerous to cross the road and to reverse onto our drive.</p>
<p>(1198735) Member of the public, (Witney, Burwell Drive)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>Speeding along Burwell Drive Curbridge Road Corn Street - schools close by and many bends so more accident prone.</p>

<p>(1223965) Member of the public, (Witney, Church green)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>I am shocked that the road which runs around the outside of Witney, between the windrush leisure centre and sainsburys isn't being changed to 20 - the road has the crossing which links town with the country park/lake and is often used by kids crossing for school. This road is currently a 30 but everyone travels at 40 along there and it's sooooo dangerous. The road is a main part of town and should be 20. This needs reviewing urgently.</p>
<p>(1197933) Member of the public, (Witney, Early Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Safety and drivers are speeding even on my road where children are walking to school every day</p>
<p>(1216349) Member of the public, (Witney, Hailey Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I see children almost get run over every day on Hailey Road</p>
<p>(1220747) Member of the public, (Witney, Hedgehog Lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>.</p>

<p>(1199053) Member of the public, (Witney, Mill Street)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Mill Street is a race track. I recommend 20 mph between High St roundabout and the first set of traffic lights. Or a speed camera?</p>
<p>(1204550) Member of the public, (Witney, Newland)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I want safer roads and healthier air quality</p>
<p>(1200153) Member of the public, (Witney, Northfield Farm Lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I believe strongly (and believe there is a good evidence base) that reducing speed limits and nudging the public towards healthier and more sustainable transport options is better for everyone in the community and better for the environment (for all the reasons the developers of these proposals will have considered).</p>
<p>(1228436) As part of a group/organisation, (Witney, Riverside Gardens)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>Riverside Gardens is a retirement site for residents over 65 years of age. It consists of over 45 dwellings and is situated in Mill Street. The amount of speeding traffic, noise and pollution on this road has become increasingly unbearable. The elderly residents trying to cross this extremely busy, fast flowing road is now an accident waiting to happen.</p>

<p>(1199614) Member of the public, (Witney, Snowhill Drive)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Object</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Object</b></p> <p>To make it safer for pedestrians, particularly the children that walk to school. I hope it would encourage more cyclists. I think it would be beneficial for all towns and villages to help reduce noise and air pollution.</p>
<p>(1193535) Member of the public, (Witney, Spitfire Drive)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>I support these plans but am concerned that only a part of the new Windrush Place development is covered. I think in order to further encourage walking and cycling to school (especially with a primary school located on centenary way) and work in a safe environment, the whole development should be made a 20mph limit.</p>
<p>(1233105) Member of the public, (Witney, Springfield Oval)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>It's long over due , traffic i is traveling far to fast</p>
<p>(1196283) Member of the public, (Witney, Station lane)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Concerns</b></p> <p>Reduction of speed will reduce accidents and noise. We have many young people in witney who drive very fast and very loudly</p>

<p>(1238779) Member of the public, (Woodstock, Hensington Road)</p>	<p>20mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 30mph speed limit – <b>Support</b> 40mph speed limit – <b>Support</b></p> <p>Increased road safety and confidence of pedestrians and cyclists</p>
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