Divisions affected: Hanborough & Minster Lovell

DELEGATED DECISIONS BY CABINET MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT

05 SEPTEMBER 2024

FREELAND - PROPOSED 20MPH & 30MPH SPEED LIMITS

Report by Director of Environment and Highways

RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet Member is RECOMMENDED to:

Approve the proposed speed limits in Freeland as advertised, excepting:

a) The proposed 30mph speed limit on the A4095.

Executive Summary

 The report presents responses to a statutory consultation on the proposed introduction of 20mph and 30mph speed limits in Freeland as shown in **Annex** 1.

Financial Implications

2. Funding for consultation and the proposals themselves has been provided by the County Council's 20mph Speed Limit Project.

Legal Implications

3. No legal implications have been identified in respect of the proposals, with proposed changes to existing Traffic Regulation Orders governed by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and other associated procedural regulations. Failure to adhere to these statutory processes could result in the proposals being challenged.

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 to encourage walking and cycling within Freeland by making them safer and more attractive.

Formal Consultation

6. Formal consultation was carried out between 10 July and 2 August 2024. A notice was published in the Witney Gazette newspaper, and an email sent to statutory consultees & key-stakeholders, including Thames Valley Police, the Fire & Rescue Service, Ambulance service, Bus operators, countywide transport, access & disabled peoples user groups, West Oxfordshire District Council, the local District Cllrs, Freeland, North Leigh, and Hanborough Parish Councils, and the local County Councillor representing the Hanborough and Minster Lovell division.

Statutory Consultee Responses:

- 7. Thames Valley Police re-iterated their views concerning OCC's policy and practice regarding 20mph speed limits and wish their response to be listed as 'having concerns' rather than an objection.
- 8. Oxford Bus Company raised concerns, stating that the A4095 through Freeland is a long-standing bus route (operated as service no. S7 by Stagecoach West), which is considered strategically significant. They note that the proposals will alongside others between Witney and Kidlington further contribute to slowing down bus journey times.

Other Responses:

9. 176 responses were received via the online consultation survey during the course of the formal consultation, and these are summarised in the table below:

Proposal	Object	Partially support	Support	No opinion/ objection	Total
20mph	91 (52%)	26 (15%)	56 (32%)	3 (2%)	176
30mph on A4095	88 (50%)	14 (8%)	56 (32%)	18 (10%)	176

10. Those who responded online, were also asked whether if the 20mph speed limit proposals were implemented, would it likely influence a change to their mode of travel in the area, the results of which are shown below:

Travel Change	Number
Yes – walk/wheel more	14 (8%)
Yes - cycle more	13 (7%)

Total	176
Other	6 (3%)
No	143 (81%)

Officer Response to Objections/Concerns

11. The main purpose of the scheme is to encourage greater use of active travel by reducing speeds; this is also expected to reduce accidents. The aim of reducing speed limits is to change driver's mindsets to make speeding socially unacceptable and make more environmentally friendly modes of travel such as walking and cycling more attractive — and also reduce the County's carbon footprint. This forms part of a countywide programme of works that seeks to deliver 'a safer place with a safer pace'.

Freeland village

- 12. There was a very high response rate to the consultation, with the majority objecting to the 20mph scheme. The main reason for objection is that the road is relatively straight and wide, with good visibility and footways, so the existing 30 limit is reasonable.
- 13. Officers consider that a 20mph speed limit is appropriate and that the situation is similar to many other schemes that have previously been approved and implemented.

A4095

- 14. A consultation on reducing the speed limit (from 40mph to 30mph) on the section of A4095 adjacent to Freeland was requested by the Parish Council and the local County Councillor.
- 15. Precisely half of respondents have objected to the proposal, mainly citing that the current limit is safe on a straight road with an off-carriageway cycletrack, and the absence of collision history (one slight casualty in five years).
- 16. An Automated Traffic Counter speed survey was carried out in April 2024 to inform the consultation. This concluded that the 7-day, 24 hour mean speeds are 37.8mph (eastbound) and 38.4mph (westbound). Lowering the speed limit, without any associated engineering measures, is likely to result in a relatively small reduction in mean speeds but they are expected to remain significantly above the new limit. On balance, officers consider that the reduced speed limit is not appropriate but will continue to monitor the A4095 taking account also of any future changes to the character and usage of the road.
- 17. The authority considers objections along the lines of it being unjustified, anticar, a waste of money, not enforceable or pointless to not warrant amendments to a proposal. As such the authority has not addressed any specific comments made of this nature in this report.

Paul Fermer Director of Environment and Highways

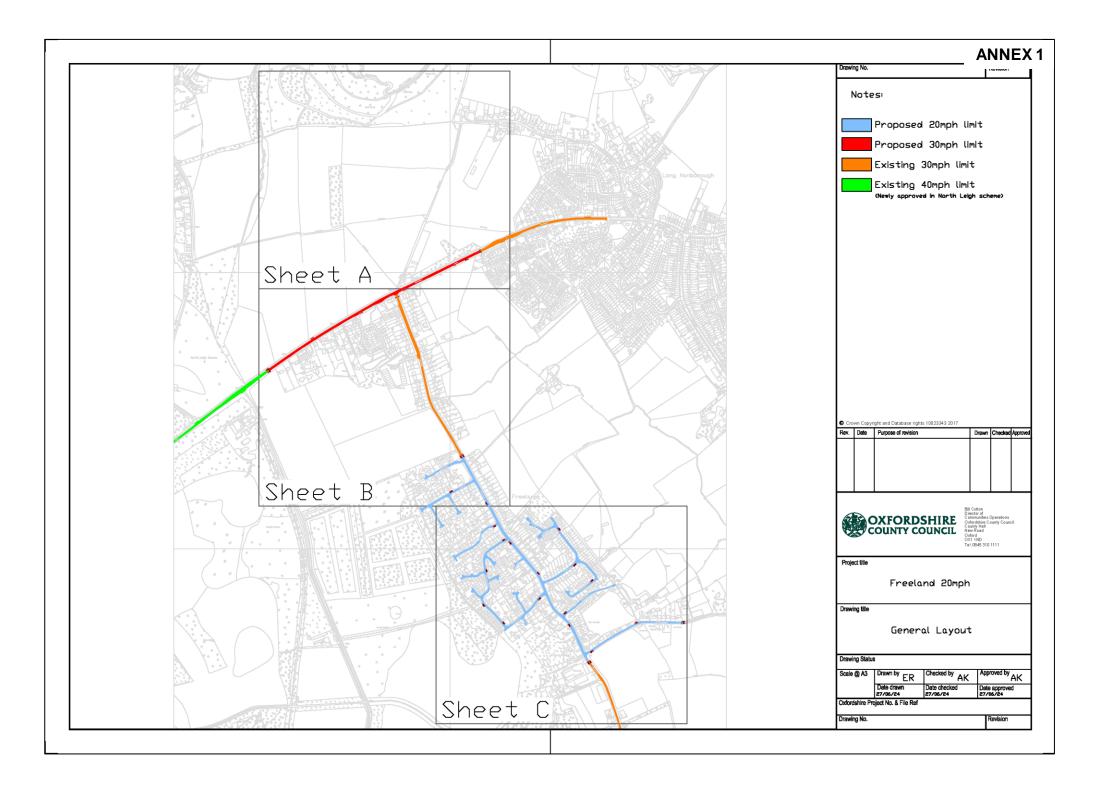
Annex 1: Consultation plan Annexes

Annex 2: Consultation responses

Contact Officers:

Roger Plater (Senior Officer - Vision Zero) Matt Archer (Portfolio Manager – Programme Delivery)

September 2024



Concerns – This response relates to all changes. 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)) 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 dec	RESPONDENT	COMMENTS
composition of road users (including existing and potential levels of vulnerable road users)	(1) Traffic Management Officer, (Thames Valley	Concerns – This response relates to all changes. 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)) 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 dec

	road environment
	However I recognise Oxfordshire County Council now have their own Policy for Setting 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.
	Our stance remains that primarily 20 mph speed limits and zones should be self-enforcing
	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 a substantial number of motorists.
	Concerns – The A4095 through Freeland is a bus route of long standing operated as service S7 by Stagecoach West. This service is strategically significant. We note these proposals and that the effect of them, alongside others between Witney and Kidlington, is to further contribute to slowing down bus journey times – a point both Oxford Bus Group and Stagecoach must continue to make.
(2) Head of Built Environment and Infrastructure, (Go- Ahead Group)	We also note that currently, the Council has decided to return to extensify already radical speed limit reductions, within 15 months of initial imposition, on other settlements, including Thame and Wallingford. Oxford Bus Group therefore has no certainty, and even less confidence, that having implemented a 30mph limit on the A4095 – irrespective of its appropriateness or effectiveness - the Council's officers will not return to further reduce the speed limit to 20mph within a short period of time.
	It would not be appropriate to lodge a formal objection in this instance, as we are not a current operator through the village. However, it is entirely right to signal these concerns to officers and members. We would also urge in the strongest terms, that the Council gives appropriate and due weight to any observations or objections made by Stagecoach West.
(3) Local resident, (Cassington, Church Close)	20mph – Object Against. Cassington a has got a 20mph limit and nobody sticks to the speed limit, cars now overtake doing 40mph. The speed watch team won't publish full figures so I expecting that to fail. The consultation was a scam and people did not have time or ability to vote. It cause more congestion at the worst times. The heavy duty vehicles are polluting more heavy

	particles at lower speeds affecting large diesels around school times. 20mph is not a size choice. Wales is changing back to 30mph. Don't waste the money. Think 30mph on A4095 – Object Too slow for too long encourages speeding Travel change: No
(4) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object Having seen the lower limits in Witney, I do think it is necessary in our village. The main problem in Freeland is the parking on both sides the road and on the bend by the Yeoman . This is far more of a safety concern'! 30mph on A4095 – Object On this main road I do not feel it necessary to reduce limits . Minimal pedestrians. Travel change: No
(5) Local resident, (Freeland, A4095 Witney Road)	20mph – Object I don't get why this is needed 30mph on A4095 – Object Again, I don't see the benefits for this area Travel change: No
(6) Local resident, (Freeland, Blenheim Lane)	20mph – Object I don't believe we need a 30mph speed limit throughout the village, Wroslyn road is a straight through road with 4 corners where visibility is poor but we have had few accidents over the year so I do not believe the speed limit require changing. At school times with cars parked along the main Wroslyn Road you would have to be stupid to drive at any speed on the single track road that is made by the parking, similarly near the pub. Pigeon house lane needs to be lowered to 20mph as it is a single track road but people also need educating on the dangers of roads rather than putting all the danger emphasis on road users.

	We have speed watch and most drivers are sensible so don't punish us for a few idiots who are too selfish to care less whatever the speed limit says. I find the smiley/frowning face signs work better in slowing people down. 30mph on A4095 – Object On basically a straight piece of road again I don't understand why all driver are tarred with the same brush because of a few idiots. Travel change: No
(7) Local resident, (Freeland, Broad Marsh Lane)	20mph – Object As a walker and driver in both 30 and 20 mile zones in Oxfordshire I find the 20 zones are more disruptive to driving, more dangerous as a driver and as a pedestrian. As a driver, I have had more pedestrians stepping out in front of me in 20 zones, with the need to therefore needing to do emergency stops, with several very near misses, this never happened when travelling at 30. Also the same with other vehicles. I have had several vehicles pull out right in front of me requiring an emergency stop. I am also required to drive in a lower gear, meaning higher revs, and therefore higher fuel consumption and higher pollution, and as you are then also in the area for longer, producing a more damaged environment for the local residents. As a pedestrian, i find it harder to judge a safe crossing distance from a vehicle doing 20 rather than 30, loosing more time waiting for the vehicle to pass before crossing, when I could have crossed in front. When the roads are busy the smell (and therefore the pollution levels) and noise from the vehicles is higher, causing more pollution to the local environment. 30mph on A4095 – Object I don't really think this will provide a benefit, this will also create the opportunity for developers to build more housing in this strip on both sides of the 4095. Travel change: No
(8) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object Not necessary 30mph on A4095 – Object

	Not necessary Travel change: No
(9) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object Common sense is needed here. There is no way on earth that Wroslyn Road is a 20mph road. Common sense driving at the speed limit with adjusted speed for areas of concern. Those areas of concern being school and pub where you can't drive at more than 20mp because of all the parked cars anyway. Ridiculous waste of money proposal. 30mph on A4095 – Object why is this needed?! has there been any crashes along that small stretch where people are doing more than 40mph? If there are and speed was the issue to those crashes then those people speeding are not going to abide by the speed limit still and therefore this is, again, a pointless waste of money Travel change: No
(10) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object I've read through the proposed 'benefits' of the reduction and fail to see that they are actual benefits that we will all see or experience. The issue is drivers who speed and drive over the 30mph speed limit. These people will not reduce their speed to 20mph so this remains an issue. Time and money needs to be spent enforcing the 30mph speed limit (speed camera perhaps?) and this would prevent accidents. In addition, I have to drive through 20 mph speed limits everyday on my way to work. In my opinion, this makes the road more dangerous as it frustrates drivers and causes a back up of traffic - all bumper to bumper. And to anyone that states that it has minimal affect on journey times clearly do not have to visit Witney, where there is almost a blanket 20mph speed limit there, nor must they have to travel during rush hour. I feel time and money is better spent on improving public transport to tempt people to use this instead of their car, and enforce the 30 mph speed limits.

	However, I doubt the council will actually take into account local views. If they did, we would not have 20mph in almost all areas in Witney nor would the high street be closed to traffic. The war against drivers continues, without providing people with a better alternative (I.e. better public transport). 30mph on A4095 – Object My points on the previous question applies here. In addition, the road is a straight, open road. As a driver, you can clearly see hazards in advance and deal with them as necessary. Anybody who cannot do that travelling at 40mph down that road should not be driving at all. Travel change: No
(11) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object 30 mph has been in place for years without problems. Fix the parking in Wroslyn Road at school times would be more beneficial 30mph on A4095 – Object 40mph fine if drivers stick to it Travel change: No
(12) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object Waste of time and money. 30mph is safe 30mph on A4095 – Object Again, the current speeds are safe Travel change: No
(13) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object I do not see the benefit of this. The money spent to change this is better spent on improving local transport and repairing the roads.

	20mph has been put in Witney which most people do not follow because no one see the benefit. People get understandable frustrated and the traffic bunches up making it more dangerous. If we want to make changes to help the environment then is it not better to use the money to improve the public transport? Like bringing back the train line that Witney once had. 30mph on A4095 – Object All the points in the previous question apply here. In addition, it is a long straight wide open road, meaning you have plenty of time to see hazards and react in time. There has been no accidents that I have heard of on this road so why would this need to be change? The council will probably not listen to us anyway as seen in North Leigh. Travel change: No
(14) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object I think it is unrealistic to drop speed limits on a main road through the village, I have no problem with dropping speed limit at peak times (school dropoff and school pickups) but not in general as it is unrealistic. I would prefer if something would be done at those peak times to manage traffic around these times as it becomes almost impossible to drive through - something like lollipop service or something similar. 30mph on A4095 – Object A 40-speed limit is sufficient on that part of the road, with newer cars having crash detection capabilities, it is to assume driving is becoming safer. I don't think there is a need of lowering speed limit there. Travel change: No
(15) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object The houses are set back, the current speed limits are safe and reasonable for the roads, proven by the fact there haven't been any traffic related injuries in freeland in the 20+ years i have lived here, the cost and disruption involved with installing signs all over the village completely outweighs the Benefits of reducing the speed of which I can't see any. The side roads are all narrow enough that no one does more than 20 through them anyway, 30mph on A4095 – Object Pointless, all houses are set back from road, separate cycle path, wide road 40mph is absolutely a suitable speed limit for that road

	Travel change: No
(16) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object It is evident that for the proposed measure to take place and have the intended result, other methods of transportation need to be implemented as viable alternatives to driving, such as a bus service that is integrated with other methods of public transport in order to reduce overall car traffic. This is needed for the desired result of the 20mph speed limit as the only way to fix the problems that come with cars is to remove them from the roads, as no car is safe. Furthermore, this would need to be implemented prior to the proposed speed limit reduction as local residents, such as myself, would wish to ascertain the viability of these measures before switching mode of transport. In this case, due to my personal experience, the only bus service even vaguely accessible from the village (which you are most likely alterady required to drive to get to the nearest stop, defeating the purpose of taking public transport), the S7, this service can also be seen as inadequate due to the long wait times and inconstancy with arrival times, with buses not infrequently not showing up.Moreover, speed limits can be ignored, with 20mph speed limits being seen as little more than a nuisance, and therefore rarely stuck to, with many accidents taking place due to some sort of deficiency in the drivers ability, such as intoxication, which would not be in any way remedied by the proposed 20mph speed limit. This therefore clearly demonstrates that the 20mph speed limit redundant without the implementation of other sufficient measures to reduce car traffic prior to the reduction of the speed limit. 30mph on A4095 – Object The same reason as I have previously stated also applies the the second proposed measure. Moreover, being a larger through road, it should act as an arterial route, not as a slower local road. As this route is used in such a way, reducing the speed limit would only increase the traffic on other roads, such as the already strained A40. Overall, it is evident that the measure as stated would not re

(17) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object Unnecessary restriction will cause inconvenience to residents. 30mph on A4095 – Object No need for this, will cause huge disruption and inconvenience. Travel change: No
(18) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object If the 30 mph was enforced properly there would be no need to decrease the limit. A decrease would inconvenience local residence going about the usual business for no gain. 30mph on A4095 – Object Same reason. If enforced properly the current speed limit is a good balance between road safety and convenience. The would me little gain in safety in the decrease. Travel change: No
(19) Local resident, (Freeland, Busby Close)	20mph – Object I don't know what problem we are trying to solve. How many people have been knocked down by a vehicle doing any speed in Freeland over the last 10 years for example? How many near misses? What we should be doing is ensuring drivers adhere to the current speed limit, and I don't believe making it 20 mph will slow any of those drivers down. All it will do is create frustration and inconvenience for the drivers who currently do 30 mph. 30mph on A4095 – Object Again, I don't know what problem we are trying to solve. Have there been any accidents at that junction caused by drivers doing between 30 and 40 mph? Travel change: No

(20) Local resident, (Freeland, Church View)	20mph – Object Pointless. Makes no difference to road safety. In fact I would argue it reduces safety as you now have people driving too close and over taking. Granted this is on them but the fact remains there are drivers that are inconsiderate. On a wide long road like Wroslyn road this wi be compounded. 30mph on A4095 – Object Main road. Residences are set well back and road separated from pa enemy by grass strip. Road through the new development in north Leigh is only 40mpb Travel change: No
(21) Local resident, (Freeland, Church View)	20mph – Object No need for 30mph limit on the 4095 - visibility is good in both directions for pedestrians/cyclists crossing the road at the top of Wroslyn Road, and there is an island that facilitates crossing. Would withdraw objection to 20mph limit in Wroslyn Road if it was time-limited with regards to the primary school drop-off and pick-up times. Will cyclists be subject to the same enforcement procedures as motorists? 30mph on A4095 – Object As 3 above Travel change: No
(22) Local resident, (Freeland, Church View)	20mph – Object This is simply not needed here, it is too much. The roads are wide, with good footpaths. Since the speedwatch group have been out monitoring speeds, there has been a reduction in offenders, due to their presence and the speedwatch signs. Additionally, due to there being no streetlights in Freeland, drivers use their full beams. This dazzles pedestrians. If cars will be travelling a third slower, it is going to make it exceptionally unpleasant being blinded, the cars need to pass at a sensible pace, not ridiculously slow. 30mph on A4095 – Object

	As said before, due to there being no streetlights in Freeland, drivers use their full beams which dazzles pedestrians. If cars travel slower it is going to make it exceptionally unpleasant being blinded for longer. Travel change: No
(23) Local resident, (Freeland, Church View)	20mph – Object This will more than double pollution, for me 160% of fuel/emissions for 150% time, 230% increase. This will damage the health of the one in eight who are Asthma sufferers, plus those with lung disease and increasing evidence it adversely affects some heart diseases and dementia cases, also now implicated in increased levels of breast and prostate cancer with being more aggressive tumours. 30mph on A4095 – Object Since I passed my test the limit here has dropped down from 70, with cars now having radial tyres and disc brakes, halving the stopping distance. This is ideological and not connected to road safety. Travel change: No
(24) Local resident, (Freeland, Church View)	20mph – Object How many people have been killed by 'speeding' through this village? How many pot-holes have drivers swerved to avoid? Just paid £800 for car suspension repairs. Priorities all wrong! 30mph on A4095 – Object Can't do pot-hole repairs on worn out roads, but can waste tax-payers money 20mph nonsense! Travel change: No
(25) Local resident, (Freeland, Cuckoo Lane)	20mph – Object I don't feel 20mph will make the village any safer, the village doesn't have enough traffic to warrant 20mph speed change 30mph on A4095 – Object Keep the 4095 at its current speed

	Travel change: No
(26) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Object This is a mostly straight road. Going at 20mph can cause drivers to lose concentration due to going very slow. 25mph would be a better reduction of the speed. 30mph on A4095 – Object This is a straight A-road - a main road. 40mph is a suitable speed for this road. Travel change: Other I walk and drive these routes, and I would still need to do this due to having to travel out of this residential area to get to work, etc.
(27) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Object I really do not believe this is a suitable road for 20mph. The road is wide, quiet and with good footpaths on either side. In other areas where 20mph has been implemented, there is a noticeable lack of compliance. It is unnecessary. 30mph on A4095 – Object Again the current speed is suitable for the type of road. It is a wide A road, with only one side residential - the other side being arable fields. Travel change: No
(28) Local resident, (Freeland, Hurst Lane)	20mph – Object 1. Polluting the environment by increasing particulate emissions, known to be the single biggest cause of Alzheimer's, the fastest growing cause of death amongst older people 2. Will not reduce accidents in Freeland. County Councils own website admitted all its research focused on urban areas, where such measures on average decreased accidents by only 6%. There are hardly any accidents in Freeland so it will be many years before this measure saves any accidents 3. The measure will be ignored by the great majority of motorists as have other such measures in the county. For this reason such measures are invariably opposed by police and by every known motoring organisation.

	4. If this measure is introduced the effective speed limit for those within one year of passing their test is reduced to 15mph, slower than the pace of most joggers and all cyclists. This is farcical and inherently dangerous. 5. My understanding is that reducing speed increases pollution from wear on tyres but I am less certain on this score. 6. I have actually never met anyone who supports these anti-democratic dictates, which seem to be smuggled in on a pretext. Is slipping a note in a parish magazine residents do not even receive until a week (at most) before the "consultation" deadline, and which many residents never read in the first place really to be regarded as democratic? Asking for an opinion on something which is already planned anyway looks like rubberstamping? Surely a truly consultative framework would involve posting a questionnaire to all affected residents (and if the council cant afford to do it properly it should surely not be doing it at all?). 30mph on A4095 – Object It will be generally disregarded as it doesn't fit general road conditions. What might be a good idea would be traffic lights at the top of the Wroslyn road junction but doubtless such a more effective measure would be more expensive and so is out of the question. It would be a further step along the path of integrating Long Hanborough and Freeland into one megavillage. Perhaps this is the underlying intention? Travel change: No
(29) Local resident, (Freeland, Hurst Lane)	20mph – Object The benefits do not outweigh the disadvantages of this scheme. Perhaps in other places it would be useful, but not on these roads. 30mph on A4095 – Object The advantages do not outweigh the disadvantages. There are often speed camera vans on this road keeping the road safe. Travel change: No
(30) Local resident, (Freeland, Nash Lane)	20mph – Object The current speeds are safe. This is a waste of money and is not wanted by local residents. 30mph on A4095 – Object This is not wanted by local residents

	Travel change: No
(31) Local resident, (Freeland, Nash Lane)	20mph – Object It will make the speed differential between those who obey the law and those who don't much greater and lead to cars overtaking more, which is more dangerous in our little village. If you wish to calm traffic put a few speed bumps near the school. 30mph on A4095 – Object Again it will make the speed differential greater between those who obey the law and those who don't leading to more overtaking which is more dangerous, also speed isn't a problem on that road really, the only place I would support change to a 30 is to just pass the Freeland turn where there are more pedestrians coming out of the village. A zebra crossing at the top of Freeland over the A4095 would make walking around the area and catching the bus safer and better. Travel change: Other A zebra crossing would make it easier for a family member who has a disability to use the bus, but it wouldn't change my mode of transport.
(32) Local resident, (Freeland, Oakland Close)	20mph – Object It is not necessary - It is a wide road, with good paths on both sides and wide verges for visibility down the road. 30mph on A4095 – Object Again, already there are paths, the current speed is safe Travel change: No
(33) Local resident, (Freeland, Oakland Close)	20mph – Object Totally unnecessary 30mph on A4095 – Object Too slow for that road

	Travel change: No
(34) Local resident, (Freeland, Parklands)	20mph – Object I feel 20 is un necessary. 30 is completely adequate. 30mph on A4095 – Object Again it's un necessary and is fine as it is. Travel change: No
(35) Local resident, (Freeland, Parklands)	20mph – Object Increased pollution, more road rage = more abuse and accidents as people get angry. No requirement - when has freeland ever had an accident involving a pedestrian? No one ever sticks to 20 anyway so what's the point in paying £££ to put up and supply signs, when no one listens 30mph on A4095 – Object Again when has there been any accidents and also no one goes 30 Travel change: No
(36) Local resident, (Freeland, Parklands)	20mph – Object I do not believe changing the speed limit will improve road safety. In my opinion only proper road lighting and traffic calming measures such as sleeping policeman would actually work 30mph on A4095 – Object This is a key link road and I am not aware of any road safety issues. This would be changing the limit without any evidence to justify the change- total nonsense Travel change: No

(37) Local resident, (Freeland, Pigeon House Lane)	20mph – Object 20mph is too slow for this road 30mph on A4095 – Object 30mph is too slow for this road Travel change: No
(38) Local resident, (Freeland, The Blowings)	20mph – Object Don't think it is necessary along the whole of wroslyn road as the road is wide and easy to spot any upcoming hazards. If anywhere it would be suitable by the school during school hours 30mph on A4095 – Object Not required as again this is a rural road with a pedestrian walkway and cycle path already so feel a 30 mph speed limit is not required here Travel change: No
(39) Local resident, (Freeland, The Blowings)	20mph – Object It's ridiculous and a waste of money. It won't do anythin as Freeland is a small village as is. There is no overwhelming number of pedestrians or cyclists like a town or city centre. It will be useless as everyone will ignore it anyways, like everyone does with the 20mph that were added around as "traffic control". The only valid argument is the school zone and it's a thin one at best as a zebra crossing would be 10x more effective. 30mph on A4095 – Object Same as the previous. Ridiculous waste of money. Travel change: No
(40) Local resident, (Freeland, Walkers Close)	20mph – Object

	This is not required, there is no speeding problem in Freeland and all a 20mph limit does is to cause more pollution as you have to drive in a lower gear which increases mpg and thus pollution. 30mph on A4095 – Object The same reasons as my statement objecting to a 20mph speed limit in Freeland Travel change: No
(41) Local resident, (Freeland, Walkers Close)	20mph – Object 20mph is too slow. Now we had more experience of 20mph in other parts of Oxfordshire I feel 20mph is too slow. It causes bunching of traffic which in turn causes problems with air polution. It is more likely drivers would loose concentration as they are driving so slowly and they are more likly to make dangerous manoeuvers by being frustrated. There have been no accidents in Freeland with the 30mph limit. It is an unnecessary expense. Just make sure the speed of traffic stays under 30mph. 30mph on A4095 – Object The whole county is coming to a grinding halt. Travel change: No
(42) Local resident, (Freeland, Webster's Close)	20mph – Object Unnecessary for the majority of the proposed stretch of road. No improvement in road safety likely over this road. Inconsiderate parking is a significantly greater threat to road safety. Cyclists riding at 15 mph will feel under pressure from drivers who cannot overtake. Driving at 30 is not unsafe, particularly with the driver aids being fitted to cars now. Is this really the most useful use of the councils time. 30mph on A4095 – Object See above. 40 mph is not unreasonable on a road which is straight and has few houses fronting it. The footpath is only on one side of the road so no need to cross the road. As a cyclist I have no issues with cars driving at 40 mph as opposed to 30 mph. Are we such a progressive community that when there have been significant reduction in fatalities on our roads and there have been recent significant improvements in the technology we are paying for in our vehicles which offer enhanced safety for other road users.

	Travel change: No
(43) Local resident, (Freeland, Witney Road)	20mph – Object IF the current 30 mph limit is enforced, then in my opinion there is no need to reduce the speed limit. A 20 mph national speed limit might be worth considering outside of ALL schools. 30mph on A4095 – Object IF the current 40 mph speed limit is enforced then there is no need to reduce the speed limit, which if set too low drivers will ignore. Travel change: No
(44) Local resident, (Freeland, Witney Road)	20mph – Object Not as proposed 30mph on A4095 – Object No need if the 40 moh speed limit is enforced Travel change: No
(45) Local resident, (Freeland, Woodlands)	20mph – Object Freeland does not have a speeding problem. Recent tests should show this. Stop taking common sense away from people I.e slowing down outside schools. Look at the issues where the most RTA's occur. 30mph on A4095 – Object Same as before, not an accident prone area. Travel change: No

(46) Local resident, (Freeland, Woodlands)	20mph – Object The main reason according to OCC is for the area to be "safer to walk and cycle". Freeland is a very safe place to walk and cycle, with the only dangerous part being outside the school. The parking at start and end of school days makes the area dangerous for children trying to cross the road, and I would suggest double yellow lines and/or a crossing in preference to the 20 mph scheme. All the side roads leading off Wroslyn Road have a nominal 20 mph limit due to the nature of the roads and parked cars. If this scheme were to go ahead, I sincerely hope that money is not wasted and the village is not cluttered with 20 mph limits on all the side roads. I object to having a 20 mph speed limit on a dead straight road when school is not in attendance, ie at night-time and holidays, as it is unnecessary to change what we currently have. 30mph on A4095 – Object Freeland has already practically joined up with Long Hanborough and this would make the notion of a conjoined village a reality. Any remaining green spaces not already ear-marked for housing (if there are any) may stand a better chance of getting approval in a 30 zone. Travel change: No
(47) Local resident, (Freeland, Woodlands)	20mph – Object Blanket speed limit across whole village and 30 on a main road that until recently was 60 and was designed for 60 is unlikely to be followed by most drivers, damages Street scenes with lots of additional signs and actually increases hazards as hitting poles makes an accident more likely to cause injury. Instead focus the limit on the area and times of risk where it is more likely to save lives by introducing a timed limit of 20 or even less by the school during drop off and pick up times. 30mph on A4095 – Object Blanket speed limit across whole village and 30 on a main road that until recently was 60 and was designed for 60 is unlikely to be followed by most drivers, damages Street scenes with lots of additional signs and actually increases hazards as hitting poles makes an accident more likely to cause injury.

	Instead focus the limit on the area and times of risk where it is more likely to save lives by introducing a timed limit of 20 or even less by the school during drop off and pick up times. Travel change: No
(48) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object No need, limits are already ruining the rest of the county 30mph on A4095 – Object No need for it Travel change: No
(49) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object Increase frustration that leads to more dangerous driving. 30mph on A4095 – Object The road is large enough, with close to no pedestrian at all, and acts as a nice buffer zone between the town speed limit and the 50mph Travel change: No
(50) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object I object 30mph on A4095 – Object There is no need Travel change: No

(51) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object I do not see any added value this would bring for this location 30mph on A4095 – Object I do not see any added value this would bring for this location. It is not suitable here Travel change: No
(52) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object Unnecessary 30mph on A4095 – Object Unnecessary Travel change: No
(53) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object Speed reductions are being imposed, unnecessarily, on a widespread basis throughout Oxfordshire but I believe they should only be imposed where there is real data supporting the need for their introduction. I.e if there is a repeat history of accidents then reductions should be implemented. 30mph on A4095 – Object I am not aware of a history of accidents on this stretch of road: therefore, I do not believe there is a requirement for a reduction in the speed limit. Travel change: No
(54) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object Reducing the speed limits to 20mph does not mitigate a risk that is there all of the time. In fact, the perceived risk is only present in a very small proportion of time. There is a clear risk when the school is opening a closing, there is a marked increase in pedestrian activity around the village, for these periods of time, I would actively support the 20mph time.

However, I cannot support this initiative, given that for the vast amount of time Freeland remains a quiet village with little pedestrian activity. I believe there is therefore no need for speed limits to be reduced in to protect a perceived risk that simply isn't present. I have lived in the village for circa 10 years, and I do not recall an RTA resulting in a death occurring, let alone any great volume of RTA's full stop. Therefore, where is the risk and why do mitigating factors need implementing to reduce this perceived risk?? Furthermore, I do not believe that reducing the speed limit to 20mph will stop or even deter those persons who already decide to speed through the village above 30mph. The only way to do that would be to put road blocking measures in place such as speed humps or chicanes. Even then those people would likely speed further between such restrictions. Which leads me to my final concern, that in reducing all of the speed limits, people will simply be encouraged to speed once they clear the "restricted" areas. This will make those roads more dangerous and at a higher risk of seeing accidents and deaths. On a final note, perhaps the funds being spent on this apparent blanket 20mph introduction programme could be spent better elsewhere!! I expect a large volume of money is being spent as well, with the volume of signs being replaced and manpower hours to do that, let alone all of the costs incurred with completing the consultation and implementation programmes. Could that money not have gone towards reducing an actual RTA risk area, such as the Barnard Gate Junction on the A40??

30mph on A4095 – **Object**

I am not aware of a legacy of RTA's on this road, which would suggest a reduction in speed limit is necessary. There is a grass verge between the pedestrian walkway and much of the main road, separating pedestrians from the roadway. There is good visibility out of the junctions onto the A4095, a good line of sight which makes it safe to pull out onto the main road. There is no need for this to be reduced to 30mph in my opinion. Constant changes of speed make it complicated for the driver, a consistent 40mph onto North Leigh and Witney is sensible and appropriate.

Travel change: No

(55) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)

20mph – Object

I think 30mph is plenty. you can't go any more than 20mph around the school because of all the cars parked there anyway.

30mph on A4095 - **Object**

it's a main road into Witney, why do you need to travel at 30mph?

Travel change: No

(56) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object Firstly, in the last ten years, how many fatal or serious accidents have occurred, in Freeland, if any? Secondly, who would police this? Thirdly, the recently introduced 20mph limit in Witney doesn't work, even by bus drivers. I believe 20mph speed should be applicable during arrival and departure times for schools only. The danger of 20mph is that, at this speed, drivers do not concentrate on the road. They drive closer together, the cars are noisier, and give off more emissions. Modern day cars have much better breaking systems, they are built to fold on impact, various safety measures are built into the cars, making them much safer. 30mph on A4095 – Object This is a main road. Many of my previous comment apply here. Travel change: No
(57) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object We understand it has been useful in some places, but this isn't a place it is required 30mph on A4095 – Object We understand it has been useful in some places, but this isn't a place it is required Travel change: No
(58) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object I have lived in Freeland for more than 50 years and I am opposed to the introduction of a 20mph limit on Wroslyn Road. In my experience people regulate their speed according to the prevailing conditions such as parked cars on the main road and school pick up time congestion without the need for further restriction. I would suggest the money would be better spent on supporting children with special needs. 30mph on A4095 – Object In my experience the current 40mph limit seems to be well respected by road users and is sparsely populated. Once again I would suggest the money required on signage, legal fees and additional enforcement would be better spent on children with special needs.

	Travel change: No
(59) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object As as 20+ year resident of Freeland, 30mph is already a perfectly acceptable speed limit. The arguments for 20mph are unreasonable and not entirely logical. 30mph on A4095 – Object The A4059 is a principal through road for the local villages. The current situation of 40 or 50 mph between villages and 30 within a village such as Hanborough is fine. There's no need to reduce the current limits. Travel change: No
(60) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh)	20mph – Object Around the school fine, but elsewhere why? We are not a high accident area. 30mph on A4095 – Object Why is it needed. It is not heavily used by pedestrians or cyclists albeit they have a dedicated path, so who are we trying to protect on this stretch of road. Travel change: No
(61) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object The village outside of school hours is very quiet. There is no necessity to have this. No other village or town where this speed limit has implemented has it worked. It would be better to have temporary speed of 20pm lights around the school at say 8.30 - 9.15 & 3pm - 3.45pm. As well as getting parents to park further away from the school and walk to ease congestion. 30mph on A4095 – Object There is no requirement for this Travel change: No

(62) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object We have had no fatal accidents or many knocks and bangs. I have to travel in Third gear in 20mph zones which cannot be environmentally friendly. I do agree to outside schools etc but not a blanket 20mph let's be different and sensible 30mph on A4095 – Object Will hold the traffic up more. More pollution. Not able to get from a to b in a sensible time Travel change: No
(63) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object Being an avid pedestrian and cyclist I have never felt unsafe in freeland because of a 30mph limit. Also I am unaware of any accidents due to even in part the road being a 30mph limit. This is an utter waste of time and money when we have very little of the latter and some seem to have too much of the former. No one seems to abide by the 20mph limits and I don't blame them. please don't waste our money. 30mph on A4095 – Object Being an avid pedestrian and cyclist I have never felt unsafe in freeland because of a 30mph limit. Also I am unaware of any accidents due to even in part the road being a 30mph limit. This is an utter waste of time and money when we have very little of the latter and some seem to have too much of the former. No one seems to abide by the 20mph limits and I don't blame them. please don't waste our money. Travel change: No
(64) Local resident, (Freeland, Parklands)	20mph – Object Making it 20 will not stop the speedersnever has , never will 30mph on A4095 – Object As above with

	Travel change: No
(65) Local resident, (Freeland, Parklands)	20mph – Object 30mph is a reasonable speed limit on Wroslyn Road People drive slower on the smaller residential side roads so there is no need to reduce the speed limit. 30mph on A4095 – Object 40mph is a reasonable speed limit on the A4095 30mph is excessively slow for a main road that only has a small amount of residential housing set well back from the road. I am not aware that there have been any incidents caused by people driving at 40mph on the main road. Travel change: No
(66) Local resident, (Freeland, Parklands)	20mph – Object Completely unnecessary 30mph on A4095 – Object Completely unnecessary Travel change: No
(67) Local resident, (Freeland, The Blowings)	20mph – Object Freeland is a very quiet and safe village with no issues having been caused by 30mph as opposed to 20mph speeds. Having a 20mph limit will only aggravate drivers, make it harder to cross roads safely with cars taking longer to pass which will also increase congestion at junctions just like it has around Madley Park in Witney where cars are crawling along and cars coming out of Madley Park cannot join the main road due to the level of slow and steady traffic. 30mph on A4095 – Object

	This is again a very safe main road. There is a path and cycle path the entire way along the road so pedestrians and cyclists have no reason to be on the road when they have a safe cycle path for their use. In addition, there are safe designated crossing points for pedestrians. There is no reason to reduce the speed limit on this road and further aggravate drivers. Travel change: No
(68) Local resident, (Freeland, The Blowings)	20mph – Object Having been forced to drive in 20mph limits around Oxfordshire over the past 18 months I can say with certainty that all they do is cause frustration for law abiding citizens. Those who speed in a 30 will speed in a 20. The money would be better spent enforcing the speed limits we currently have. 20mph is a ridiculous speed to travel at for 95% of the time. 30mph on A4095 – Object 30mph is for a built up area. There are not houses on both sides of the road. There is no need for it. There have been no accidents in the past 5 years that I am aware of. Travel change: No
(69) Local resident, (Freeland, Walkers Close)	20mph – Object I don't think the issue is with the speed limit of why casualties happen. Its due to the carelessness of drivers. I travel at 30mph and my reaction times are absolutely fine. Putting the speed limit at 20mph only angers drivers and will cause dangerous driving due to frustrations. 30mph on A4095 – Object I do not see the point at all in changing this as its only a short bit of road that's at 40mph. To go from 50 mph to 30mph whilst going down hill only sounds dangerous to me. Going from 50mph to 40mph then 30mph is a safe transition in speed Travel change: No
(70) Local resident, (Freeland, Woodlands)	20mph – Object Freeland is a low traffic zone with minimal road incidents of any kind. The costs of introducing a 20mph zone must be carefully considered against the benefits.

	There is no congestion in Freeland, nor is the village used for HGVs - therefore two of the main reasons for changing the speed limit are irrelevant. The individuals that do speed through the village will not observe a 20mph speed limit either. Although I can see the benefit of a 20 zone in cities, towns and villages with very narrow or awkward road layouts, I thoroughly object to spending money implementing this across such a quiet straight-forward village. 30mph on A4095 – Object it would be helpful to see why this is necessary; there is no congestion, it is not a HGV route, there have been no recent incidents that I am aware of. What benefit will a speed reduction have here? Travel change: No
(71) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object I don't think it's necessary, anyone doing excess of 30 still will and 20mph on a quiet road with good visibility seems excessive 30mph on A4095 – Object It's an A road, the few homes on the road are set back from the road. Completely unnecessary and a waste of my taxpayer money Travel change: No
(72) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object I would support a 20 mph near the school during school drop off and pick up only. Most of the other times due to the increased number of cars parked on the side of Wroslyn road it's only possible to be able to drive at 20 mph anyway. 30mph on A4095 – Object More important things to focus on. Wilmer of traffic means driving 40 most of the time. Traffic light installment at end or wtoslyn rd would be more beneficial. Travel change: No

(73) Member of public, (Hanborough, Swan Lane)	20mph – Object colossal waste of money and unnecessary 30mph on A4095 – Object Nothing wrong with the current speed Travel change: No
(74) Local resident, (Long Hanborough, Glyme Way)	20mph – Object How many accidents have been reported in this area due to the present 30mph limit? If there has been no accidents then you can't improve safety by reducing the mph. 30mph on A4095 – Object As previous reply. Travel change: No
(75) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object research shows this barely reduces speed on the road by more than 1 mph, while causing more polution as cars are now on the roads for longer as traveling times increase. 30mph on A4095 – Partially support There are houses here so 30 would seem a good idea Travel change: No
(76) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object Unnecessary, most houses are set back from main road, side roads are sufficiently windey that cars don't travel at excessive speeds. I have lived here for 20 years and have very rarely experienced cars doing excessive speeds. 30mph on A4095 – Partially support

	Would make it easier to turn right at the top of the village. Travel change: No
(77) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Object The road is long, straight and very wide, with very little traffic currently. Also pedestrian usage is minimal. Doesn't seem warranted. All things considered, 30mph seems very reasonable for this road. 30mph on A4095 – Partially support A lot of people go about 50mph+ on this road, so reducing it to 30 might help to make them go slower. Travel change: No
(78) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Object 20mph is not needed on the main road (Wroslyn Road). It's not a well used route so traffic is light. There are not many pedestrians outside of school hours, although most people using the school tend to drive. The road is long and wide, so 30mph is suitable speed limit if adhered to. We walk the road often with our dog and don't feel a reduction in speed is required. 30mph on A4095 – Partially support The current 40mph limit is enough if adhered to. Traffic is slowed down already by turning vehicles and buses. A better / safer crossing for pedestrians at the Wroslyn Road junction would be a better investment. We walk along this route often with our dog so we do see some speeding drivers. Travel change: No
(79) Local resident, (Freeland, Blenheim Lane)	20mph – Object There is no evidence that a lower speed limit is needed. There has never been a fatality because of a speeding vehicle. The only accidents recently were because of lack of vision because of overgrown verges/hedges and lack of concentration. At school time cars have to slow down because there are so many cars parked along wroslyn road. This is a complete waste of money which can be used elsewhere.

	30mph on A4095 – Partially support Again very few accidents and they are usually due to lack of concentration. Travel change: No
(80) Local resident, (Freeland, Busby Close)	20mph – Object There is no need for a 20mph limit. It would not prevent accidents. The last accident was caused because of low visibility and bad driving. 30mph on A4095 – Partially support There are not many accidents at that junction and not many pedestrians using that part. Travel change: No
(81) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object It is impossible to go at any more than 20 mph around the school and village hall areas Stop large lorries and buses coming through our village as a way through to A40 30mph on A4095 – Support Will it make any difference to those people who constantly ignore the speed signs Travel change: No
(82) Local resident, (Freeland, Church View)	20mph – Object 30mph is correct for the village! Wroslyn Road is a straight wide road with good visibility and if driven to the conditions the risk are low. I.e drivers drop their speed for the school area, night time and weather conditions. A very high percentage of the road users live within the village, therefore it is the responsibility of these villagers to take responsibility for improving their driving style. The money that would be required to enforce a 20mph zone would be fair better spent on a zebra crossing and zig zags outside of the school zone. 30mph on A4095 – Support

	The 30mph speed limit should be extended from Long Hanborough to beyond Freeland due to the number of houses in this zone. Travel change: No
(83) Local resident, (Freeland, Church view)	20mph – Object 20mph by the school would be beneficial by the rest of the village no! 30mph on A4095 – Support 30mph is suited to the village other than by the school which should be 20mph Travel change: No
(84) Rather not say, (Freeland)	20mph – Object This road is too long and straight to enforce this the majority of people speeding are using it as a cut through but also the residents can't stick to the speed limit now so why bother making 20mph when people can't even stick to that in witney 30mph on A4095 – Support As a delivery person who delivers to this part of the road it is currently very dangerous to deliver along here with the current speed limit Travel change: No
(85) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object 20 mph limit is stated to reduce accidents and make safer driving conditions for all, looking at the accident map for the area nothing has ever been reported so it seems safe enough already. 30mph on A4095 – Support Extend to encompass the new Freeland gate estate is a good idea, just need to enforce it somehow Travel change: No

(86) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object Twenty mph is to slow to travel. Thirty mph is acceptable 30mph on A4095 – Support To reduce the speed along the A4095, around the junction of Freeland and the housing development Travel change: No
(87) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object It's a long village with a wide road. It will penalise the people who will keep to it who are already respecting the 30 but the people who break the 30 will just then continue to break the 20. It is a waste of money on the signage when there are more pressing issues which need money spent on them e.g potholes. Traffic calming would be more appropriate. 30mph on A4095 – Support People regularly go at 50/60 down that road. I often walk down it and cross to access the fields. Travel change: No
(88) Member of public, (Eynsham)	20mph – Object There doesnt need to be speed restrictions of less than 30mph. To do the whole village would be insane. There are so many long cobtinous roads in the village. So far only Bladon have it right with a small section. For me the road near the pub and church would be the only place for about 200 yards if necessary but most sensible people only slower round there. 30mph on A4095 – No objection How many deaths have there been in the last 20 years!!!! It is not need altering Travel change: No
(89) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Object

	The road through the village is primarily straight. When someone parks on the road, which is frequent and especially around school opening and closing times, speeds reduce to under 20 mph. Other than school times the number of people using the road are minimal. 30mph on A4095 – No objection 40mph speed is generally ok as long as cars keep to this speed. A bigger issue is if cars park close to turning and obstruct your view. Would suggest making it a no-parking zone Travel change: No
(90) Local resident, (Freeland, Parklands)	20mph – Object Nobody will take any notice of the speed reduction particularly those collecting/dropping off children at the primary school. Some drive like maniacs as they have the supposed excuse of being late! It's chaos at the junction with Parklands as well as obstructing access due to parking on Parklands. Don't think a speed limit will have any effect on these drivers. 30mph on A4095 – No objection Not sure drivers will obey a reduced speed limit here? Travel change: No
(91) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn)	20mph – Object Focus should be more on traffic lights at both Evenlode junction and Bernard Gate. These are high accident areas many serious and money would be better spent there 30mph on A4095 – No objection Focus on Bernard gate and Evenlode junctions Travel change: No
(92) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object It is not required a waste of time and money

	30mph on A4095 – No objection It's to fast and hard to pull out onto from freeland Travel change: No
(93) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Object Freeland does not need 20mph. It is a long village and drivers for the most part obey the 30moh restriction. I would much rather support 20mph around the school only and have that properly policed along with lollipop person. A 20mph through the whole village will simply frustrate drivers which in turn will Lead to more risks being taken with terrible consequences. Furthermore it will create an increased amount of traffic accumulation at the junctions like the Witney road 30mph on A4095 – No objection It's an arbitrary decision on this road Travel change: No
(94) Local resident, (Freeland, A4095)	20mph – Partially support The existing 30 mph is ignored 20 mph is accepable by school where motorist can see the need. Wide spread use of 20 mph will get ignored. 30mph on A4095 – Object The lenghtening of the 40 mph beyond North Leigh is getting at the most 10% observance. The introduction of a 30 mph will equally be ignored and to what purpose is its introduction. Travel change: No
(95) Local resident, (Freeland, Blenheim Lane)	20mph – Partially support There are 2 places in the village that would benefit from a 20 mph limit - between Pigeon House Lane and Church View and outside the school. In other areas I have seen no evidence that the limit needs to be below 30mph

	30mph on A4095 – Object The road is safe at its current speed Travel change: No
(96) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Partially support 20mph OK in estate areas and locally around school at start and finish times. Maybe also in local area by church and pub. Otherwise 30 is adequate since the road has good visibility. 30mph on A4095 – Object not aware of any problems on this stretch of road Travel change: No
(97) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Partially support I partly support 20mph around the school area in Freeland although the safety of this area could also be improved by parents parking responsible 30mph on A4095 – Object Cannot see any reason to change this from 40 Travel change: No
(98) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Partially support There are certain places where 20mph is advantageous. Estates/side roads and outside the school during drop off pick up times - however the amount of cars that are parked around the school at these times ensures you could not drive at more than 20mph and indeed less than that. More encouragement to walk to school would be advisable !!!!! Seeing this whole exercise is to encourage people to walk and cycle!!!! And the stopping of parking on areas in the village where there is less visibility. By pub and village hall.

	20mph is great where there are a lot of people walking around. I.e burford where tourists congregate and there are shops. In Freeland there are no local amenities to walk to within the village. Only the pub and playing field which is easy to reach without any danger from cars. If there was any real danger then put crossings on road to aid safe crossing but I am able to cycle and walk without any problems within the village and outside 30mph on A4095 – Object Why? I regularly cycle and walk between Freeland and long Hanborough and Freeland a North Leigh and have no problem with the speed of the traffic. There is a cycle path provided and it would be better to make it mandatory for cyclists to use this than use the roads. If provided use it!!!!! If a pelican crossing was placed at the top of Freeland on the A4095 to aid the crossing of the road this would be a better use of the money. And a roundabout to aid cars turning right out on to this road better use of tax payers money would make it a safer environment for all drivers walkers and cyclists. This would naturally slow down traffic Travel change: No
(99) Local resident, (Freeland, Church View)	20mph – Partially support 20 mph in the centre of the village seems fine, particularly on the side roads off Wroslyn Road. 30mph on A4095 – Object I can see no need for this, apart from the crossing at the top of Wroslyn Road Travel change: No
(100) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Partially support Happy with 20mph for 100m either side of the school but a blanket 20mph is not required. People just need to pay attention. 30mph on A4095 – Object It just is not necessary.

	Travel change: No
(101) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Partially support Partially support - 20 around the area of the school would make sense and be a good idea, however, 20 across the whole stretch I object. Seeing as many villages and towns have adopted 20mph I don't see a benefit when it is applied as a whole. Drivers don't take it seriously and I would argue actually make them more distracted and less cautious drivers. The main culprits seem to be delivery drivers and to be honest even in small dead-end residential streets they drive fast and unsafe. 30mph on A4095 – Object Object - the last thing we need as a community is for traffic to start building up. You already notice a difference in traffic flow once you enter the 30 in Hanborough. It also does not seem safe to go from 50 to 30. If anything a pedestrian crossing to get across to the field side of the road would make more sense (like the one further down, which works and is in a 40). Travel change: No
(102) Local resident, (Freeland, Parklands)	20mph – Partially support It is only necessary in specific areas such as Pigeon House Lane. Elsewhere it will only serve to ass congestion and driving frustration. Better to police the 30mph limit than change to an unpoliced 20mph than everyone will ignore!!! 30mph on A4095 – Object Why???? Travel change: No
(103) Local resident, (Freeland, The Blowings)	20mph – Partially support why does the part of wroslyn rd that has most cases of excess speeding (the green to pigeon house lane) not get included. surely the aim is to reduce speeding in the village. road safety will not be improved as there have not been any incidents causing injury in the last few decades. pollution will be increased by at least 50% by driving at 20mph vice 30mph, has this been taken into consideration? 30mph on A4095 – Object

	This is an 'a' road! It already has many sections where the speed limit has been reduced, why do we need this one. When you add these reduced speed limit sections up, the delay and cost to transport is more than a few minutes. Also this will encourage developers to think that the road is already a residential road and we can have more housing in our overstretched infrastructure. We have no public transport and so motor vehicle is the only way to get to work, get to shops etc. This will not affect how often we walk or bicycle. Put in cycle tracks if that is your aim. Travel change: No
(104) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Partially support The section close to the village hall is tight and the busiest area, a 20mph speed limit in this section could be beneficial however it's hard to physically drive faster than 20mph due to the road layout and local residents parking on the road the majority of the time. Please don't allow the whole of the road be 20mph 30mph on A4095 – Object A speed camera would be more effective at keeping control vs having a small section of 30mph Travel change: No
(105) Local resident, (Freeland, Oakland Close)	20mph – Partially support 20 mph only needed near school, not all the way along Wroslyn road. Also needed near pub/village hall 30mph on A4095 – Object Not needed as current speed limit is fine here Travel change: No
(106) Local resident, (Freeland, Witney Road)	20mph – Partially support I can see the sense of a 20mph speed limit (1I past Freeland Primary School and (2) between the junction of Wroslyn Road and Church View and the junction of Wroslyn Road and Pigeon House Lane, as well as down the side streets. I'm assuming that the reason for having it in between the school and Church View is to avoid too many changes in speed limit through the village. I would definitely be against a 20mph limit down the whole of Wroslyn Road.

	30mph on A4095 – Object I don't see that this is necessary in open countryside between Freeland and Long Hanborough. I also don't think that drivers are any more likely to stick to a 30mph limit on the A4095 than the current 40mph limit on what is an open road on one side. The speed limit is often exceeded significantly anyway, particularly in the evenings, and I think a measure such as a speed camera at 40mph would be more effective at lowering driving speeds than lowering the limit. Travel change: No
(107) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Partially support Whereas I understand the element and desire to reduce the speed limits for 'safer and more attractive places to walk and cycle' (your words), this cannot work in isolation for two very specific reasons: 1. Within the proposed 20mph area is the school, which to be honest has the most self centred and entitled parents during school 'drop off and pick up'. The parking is selfish, dangerous and likely breaks a number of laws of the road, I.e. ignoring Road markings, close to junctions, double parking to name a few. Being a local resident, the 'but I drop my child off on the way to work' is in many occasions not true. One of my neighbour drives 200metres, drops their children off (ages 8 & 10) and comes straight home. Therefore, reducing the speed limit in this part of the village is only a small fix! 2. Parking on curbs/ roadways (Wroslyn Road). Due to the width of Wroslyn Road all this practice does is inconvenience bpt(other motorists and pedestrians. If enforcement could be used to ensure people park as necessary 100% on the roadway why is will drive two simple benefits: a natural traffic calming as traffic needs to slow / give way and secondly pedestrians will be safer to walk on the areas dedicated for them. Happy to chat through more specifics if it helps 07470673221 30mph on A4095 – Object Not sure the benefits, limited accidents at the junction so unsure what the real benefits or driver is? Travel change: No
(108) Local resident, (Freeland, Blenheim Lane)	20mph – Support I support the Proposal for safety, noise and pollution reasons but also to deter rat running to the new Eynsham Park and Ride site through the village when it opens.

	30mph on A4095 – Object Too many speed limits within a limited area. This is a busy A Road with cycleway/footpaths which should remain as 40mph. Travel change: No
(109) Local resident, (Long Hanborough, Main Road)	20mph – No objection Sensible given it is residential and passes the school etc. 30mph on A4095 – Object There is no reason to put this in place - not many houses, very few accidents. Travel change: No
(110) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Partially support Whilst I would like to see slower speeds, I would be happy if people stuck to 30MPH which some do not. In my opinion this is a complete waste of money to put all this in place when we have signs which say 30 and people take no notice. There is no deterrent. Wroslyn road is used as a rat run and measures should be made to prevent those speeding rather than introducing signs which is pointless. 30mph on A4095 – Partially support No comment Travel change: No
(111) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Partially support I support the 20mph limit around the school and village hall / pub where there is often a lot of traffic and a need due to the risk of children running into the road. I do not support the whole village being 20mph as I feel this is unnecessary and will just lead to people not following this. 30mph on A4095 – Partially support

	With the new housing development I can see this makes sense to change the speed limit however would be interested to know if there have been accidents or concerns raised regarding the current 40mph limit. Would it not be better to have flashing speed signs to indicate if people are going too fast - this seems quite effective in Hanborough Travel change: No
(112) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Partially support I do not understand why the northern end of Freeland is not being seen as important for safety as the southern end to reduce the speed limit to 20mph. Between the A4095 and the Industrial estate on Wroslyn Road it is a racetrack. We find it very exclusive and divisive to only consider the safety of the residents of the southern end of the Freeland. Once people are out of the 20mph zone they will speed up through the rest of the village. Therefore we only partially agree with the proposal. 30mph on A4095 – Partially support It will still be dangerous for all the people who have to cross the road at the Wroslyn Road junction. The island that you stand on is not even wide enough for a bike. I've had a few near misses at that crossing. As well as the 30mph limit I would like to see a controlled crossing in place. Travel change: No
(113) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Partially support Whilst the whole village is not in need of 20mph, I feel it would be a good idea near the school and the pub 30mph on A4095 – Partially support I don't have an opinion either way Travel change: No
(114) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Partially support The cost of updating the signage could be used elsewhere (e.g fix potholes). Concerns on managing and implementing this as vehicle users don't always stick to the 30mph speed limit as it is. 30mph on A4095 – Support

	Hopefully this would stop people speeding on the main road as this is incredibly common and makes the aligning footpath feel very dangerous (which also isn't wide enough and/or to updated DMRB standards as use of a footpath/cycleway that's very popular for users). However, the cost of updating the signage could be used elsewhere (e.g fix potholes). Concerns on managing and implementing this as vehicle users don't always stick to the 40mph speed limit as it is. Travel change: Yes – walk/wheel more
(115) Member of public, (Freeland, Nash Lane)	20mph – Partially support I don't think that the 20mph limit should extend over the entire length of Wroslyn Road but from The Green through the village centre to beyond the Parklands junction and the school. 30mph on A4095 – Support I feel that the 30 mph limit should extend from the beginning of housing at Cuckoo Lane to the present limit. There are new estates along this route and the junction with Wroslyn Road can be very busy. Travel change: No
(116) Local resident, (Freeland, Pigeon House Lane)	20mph – Partially support 20 mph zone should start at the beginning of the village by the green as you come from A40 end. 30mph on A4095 – Support The road is becoming busier and it makes sense to reduce the speed limit further Travel change: No
(117) Local resident, (Freeland, Walkers Close)	20mph – Partially support Happy for it to be 20mph where needed from school to nursing home 30mph on A4095 – Support It will make the journey junction safer Travel change: No

(118) Local resident, (Freeland, Oakland Close)	20mph – Partially support I agree with the 20mph on wroslyn road from junction with Oakland close and pigeon house lane, leave the rest at 30mph 30mph on A4095 – Support Nightmare pulling out of wroslyn rd into a4095 - 30mph is safer Travel change: No
(119) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Partially support I support the 20mph zone but I do not understand why it does not continue further up Wroslyn Road given the dips in the road down to the school. I think it should be further extended. 30mph on A4095 – Support I agree 40mph is too fast Travel change: No
(120) Local resident, (Freeland, Parklands)	20mph – Partially support Having 20 mph near to the school, village hall, pub, nursery all make sense as are busier with human traffic by car, foot and bike. The existing 30 mph zone surround this area makes sense. One exception the sharp turn near the green could also be a 20mph or with better signage as is a dangerous corner. Having a 30 mph extending further is also a good idea as a measure to encourage cycling and a strong message that it isn't a fast short cut. 30mph on A4095 – Support Good idea to make a village feel like a village. 40 mph tend to push further. 30 mph is a good message. Travel change: Yes - cycle more

(121) Local resident, (Freeland, Church View)	20mph – Partially support I'm against 20mph limits for 'miles on end' (eg through Witney) but support them where there are schools and/or narrow or dangerous roads. I don't believe 20mph limits will stop drivers who regularly speed but the proposed stretch in Freeland is becoming quite dangerous with parked cars on Wroslyn Road forcing drivers onto the 'wrong' side of the road as they approach bends that they can't see around or dips in the road which may (albeit for a split second) hide an oncoming vehicle. So, short of adding a lot more yellow lines along the road, I can't see a better option to reduce the possibility of more accidents. 30mph on A4095 – No objection I don't feel it should be necessary if drivers are driving appropriately but if others have raised it as a concern then I wouldn't object. Travel change: No
(122) Member of public, (Charlbury, Hundley Way)	20mph – Support Speeding has been a problem in Freeland for years. Physical traffic calming is also needed. 30mph on A4095 – Partially support Support in principle but enforcement will be needed and Thames Valley Police's record in this respect is very poor Travel change: Yes - cycle more
(123) Local resident, (Freeland, Church View)	20mph – Support Support in general terms. However, I am still concerned about the speed of traffic on the whole of Pigeon House Lane, despite traffic calming measures being introduced. I feel increasingly unsafe walking on this road between Freeland and Long Hanborough as I frequently encounter cars driving far too fast. How anyone from the stables has the bravery to attempt to ride horses along this road amazes me. I fail to understand why the speed bumps were removed. 30mph on A4095 – Partially support Given the number of cars that speed up as soon as they leave Long Hanborough, I cannot see this being respected.

	Travel change: No
(124) Local resident, (Freeland, The Green)	20mph – Support I believe similar zones in other villages have been effective in pulling the overall speed down. Seen areas of the villages are quite unsafe due to cars driving at an unsafe speed. 30mph on A4095 – Partially support It seems sensible if it's an extension of the hanborough speed limit, plus that is part of the village. However, I would question what happens if both hamborough and freeland adopt a 20mph limit. This will mean that part of the village is again out of line. Travel change: Other Maybe cycle a bit more but not sure.
(125) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn)	20mph – Support Slower roads are safer and enables more of us to cycle lowering emissions. 30mph on A4095 – Partially support Will help with dangerous junction Travel change: Yes - cycle more
(126) As part of a group/organisation, (Abingdon, Bostock Road)	20mph – Support We support this speed limit reduction based on growing evidence from Wales, London and other UK cities that 20mph limits result in a 20-30% reduction in road casualties across all users: pedestrians, cyclists, motorcyclists, motorists and their passengers. This happens even with current low levels of enforcement, although we consider that better enforcement should also be applied. We support Oxfordshire's policy of 20mph limits with community support and schemes designed to be where the people are. This scheme is a mix of 20 and 30 - 20 limits could be extended to the northern part of the village. The route via Cuckoo Lane is a frequently used by cyclists, and this will increase when the Eynsham Park and Ride comes into operation.

	Lower speeds also create a more friendly street environment for people to walk, wheel and cycle, encouraging healthy forms of transport that reduce road danger further, reduce traffic, reduce damage to the environment, and lead to healthier and happier lives. 30mph on A4095 – Support This benefit of this speed limit would be to residents. The cycling on this part of the road is relatively limited as it has been rendered unsafe and unattractive by increasing traffic volumes without compensating infrastructure improvements. Travel change: Yes - cycle more
(127) Local Cllr (Freeland, Blenheim Lane)	20mph – Support I was part of Parish Council traffic calming working group and would very much like to see the speed limit introduced to make our village safer and more pleasant to walk through. It is a long village and the temptation to speed through is very strong, so anything that reduces this must be encouraged 30mph on A4095 – Support See previous answer - safety and environmental reasons Travel change: Yes – walk/wheel more
(128) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Support Congestion by school and on bends is dangerous. Should also include Broadmarsh Lane. 30mph on A4095 – Support Dangerous turning in and out of Freeland turning. Travel change: No
(129) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Support Statistics show 20mph infinitely safer and less fatalities than 30mph 30mph on A4095 – Support

	Again, 30mph infinitely safer than 40mph Travel change: No
(130) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Support Young children and animals in the village especially in this area. Drivers do not abide to the current limits and there has been some worrying near misses. 30mph on A4095 – Support A busy road with lots of traffic that do not abide the current speed limits. Travel change: Yes – walk/wheel more
(131) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Support Safer 30mph on A4095 – Support V busy road, safer Travel change: Yes - cycle more
(132) Local resident, (Freeland, Busby Close)	20mph – Support So many cats have been injured or killed recently. Only a matter of time before that is a child. People race through the village at dangerous speeds. 30mph on A4095 – Support Sam as before Travel change: No

(133) Local resident, (Freeland, Church View)	20mph – Support Its safer, there are lot of young children in the village. And No one can object to keeping them safer. We dont want something awful to happen and regret not making our village safer 30mph on A4095 – Support easier pulling out on to the main road from freeland village Travel change: No
(134) Local resident, (Freeland, Church View)	20mph – Support Freeland is a busy little village, full of children going to school, cycling around after school and going to the park. It's also home to lots of local wildlife and of course family pets. I see no reason why a 20 mph wouldn't beneficial to everyone, it hardly adds any time to the journey through the village and drastically decreases the chance of death from being hit by a car. As a mom to 3 children I wholeheartedly support the reduction. 30mph on A4095 – Support it makes no sense having a 40 at the moment when there are houses close to the main road and just one minute later it drops down to 30 for long hanborough. It would make a lot more sense just being 30 along the entire stretch after the 50mph stops Travel change: No
(135) Local resident, (Freeland, Church View)	20mph – Support The system works well in Wales, crashes have decreased and presumably there are less deaths (including domestic and wild animals). 30mph on A4095 – Support Safety for the community Travel change: No

(136) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Support Safer for cyclists & pedestrians, makes route through the village less attractive as a 'rat run' to & from the A40. Deters heavy traffic. 30mph on A4095 – Support Access to A4095 becoming increasingly difficult from residential roads. Would reduce traffic noise & pollution for adjacent housing. Would reduce congestion at junctions. Travel change: No
(137) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Support I support a 20mph limit in the part of the village where Wroslyn Road is congested with tight bends and parking issues, approximately from the church until the nursery entrance. the existing 30mph limit along the remainder of the road appears to be adequate. 30mph on A4095 – Support The intersection of A4095 with Freeland Gate has not had an additional lane added to assist vehicles turning right, so a dangerous situation has been created. This may be partially mitigated by a reduction in the speed limit to 30mph. In addition, the "Freeland" traffic sign to the west of Roslyn Road is directly opposite the entrance to Freeland Gate causing confusion with motorists, who often turn into the cul-de-sac by mistake. The sign should be relocated. Travel change: No
(138) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Support Make it safer. Pavements are narrow in places. 30mph on A4095 – Support Pedestrians cross this road to get to the bus stop. It is also crossed for the footpaths across the fields and also to get on the footpath from Freeland to Long Hanborough. Vehicles already go above the speed limit and the centre island for waiting is very small. Travel change: Yes – walk/wheel more

(139) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Support I have a child at Freeland Primary school and I've seen some horrible speeding along Wroslyn Road recently that's made me fear for his safety and others at the school. I believe a 20mph limit would potentially save lives. 30mph on A4095 – Support I live in the Oakland Grange development and have witnessed crashes due to speeding vehicles on this stretch of road. I sometimes feel unsafe pulling on to the main road there. I'd endorse anything that slows this down, including speed cameras. Travel change: No
(140) Local resident, (Freeland)	20mph – Support Too many people speed through the village 30mph on A4095 – Support Crossing a4095 would be safer Travel change: No
(141) Local resident, (Freeland, Oakland Close)	20mph – Support Reasons to Support the Proposed 20mph Speed Limit in Freeland: 1. Enhanced Safety: - Reduced Accidents: Lower speed limits have been shown to decrease the likelihood and severity of accidents, particularly involving pedestrians and cyclists. There have been a number of accidents and animals killed in the past 6 months due to careless driving Child Safety: With Freeland school and the village playing fields and grounds in the vicinity, a 20mph speed limit ensures a safer environment for children. 2. Improved Quality of Life:

- Reduced Noise Pollution: Slower speeds contribute to quieter streets, improving the living conditions for residents.
- Healthier Environment: Lower speeds encourage walking and cycling, promoting a more active lifestyle among residents.
- 3. Environmental Benefits:
- Lower Emissions: Vehicles traveling at 20mph produce fewer emissions compared to higher speeds, contributing to better air quality.
- Sustainable Living: Encouraging slower speeds supports initiatives for sustainable village living.
- 4. Community Appeal:
- Increased Pedestrian Activity: Safer streets encourage more foot traffic, which can boost the local Yeoman pub and Garden Centre and foster a stronger sense of community, including the village hall.
- Aesthetic Improvement: Calmer traffic can lead to more pleasant and visually appealing village life.
- 5. Traffic Management:
- Consistent Traffic Flow: Lower speeds can lead to more consistent and manageable traffic flows, reducing the likelihood of congestion. This is particularly around the parked cars near the church/pub.
- Reduced Wear and Tear: Slower speeds mean less stress on road infrastructure, potentially reducing maintenance costs. Therefore reduced numbers of potholes in Freeland.
- 6. Support for Vulnerable Road Users:
- Elderly and Disabled Safety: A 20mph limit provides a safer environment for the elderly and those with disabilities, who may need more time to cross Wroslyn Road.
- School Zones: Enhanced safety around Freeland school, with children being a particularly vulnerable group.
- 7. Public Health:
- Reduced Stress: Lower speeds can reduce driver stress and road rage incidents, contributing to better mental health for all road users.
- Emergency Services: Slower speeds can mean fewer severe accidents, which can free up emergency services for other critical needs.
- 8. Alignment with Best Practices:
- Local Trends: Many nearby roads are adopting 20mph speed limits in residential areas due to the proven benefits.
- Compliance with Vision Zero Goals: Aligning with initiatives aimed at eliminating traffic fatalities and severe injuries.
- 9. Economic Benefits:
- Cost Savings: Fewer accidents can lead to significant cost savings for local authorities in terms of emergency response and healthcare.
- Property Value: Enhanced safety and a better living environment can lead to increased property values. By implementing a 20mph speed limit, Freeland can expect a range of benefits that enhance safety, improve quality of life, and support environmental and economic sustainability.

	30mph on A4095 – Support This is a main road with fewer pedestrian crossing points. It makes sense to keep this at either 40 mph or reduce to 30 mph. I see no reason to drop to 20 mph, with a clearly allocated cycle and pedestrian path. Travel change: Yes – walk/wheel more
(142) Member of public, (Freeland, Pigeon House Lane)	20mph – Support I believe that the limit of 20mph will improve safety - and it certainly can't make it worse. I believe it's especially important on Pigeon House Lane. I live on the lane at number 7 & see numerous cars and vans going too fast every day. As the lane is used by wildlife, horseriders, walkers, schoolchildren & cyclists it always feels to me like a serious accident is waiting to happen. A 20mph limit here might also discourage use of the lane as a through route/ratrun - which happens a lot, especially if the A40 or A4095 are disrupted in any way.
	30mph on A4095 – Support In my view, the junction between Wroslyn Road and the A4095 would be made safer by this 30mph limit. Travel change: Other No - but only because I walk whenever I can anyway!
(143) Local resident, (Freeland, Pigeon House Lane)	20mph – Support I live on Pigeon House Lane and the 20mph limit can't come soon enough for me. I don't want any person or creature to be injured or killed on the road. Life and safety is more important than knocking a few seconds off a journey. 30mph on A4095 – Support It will make it safer to turn onto it at its junction with Wroslyn Road Travel change: No
(144) Local resident, (Freeland, The Green)	20mph – Support I support any mechanism that slows traffic through the village. Some people currently exceed the existing 30pmh limit, putting people and animals at risk.

	30mph on A4095 – Support It will be safer for people living just off the A4095. Travel change: Other I currently cycle alot anyway and wouldn't cycle more, but I'd feel safer cycling with the lower speed limits.
(145) Local resident, (Freeland, Walkers Close)	20mph – Support Traffic needs calming 30mph on A4095 – Support Busy junction with wroslyn road too many speeding over 40mph Travel change: Yes – walk/wheel more
(146) Local resident, (Freeland, Witney Road)	20mph – Support The lower speed makes little difference to journey times but a big safety difference. I live on the Witney Road and am particularly pleased that this is being included in the traffic survey - the cars come down the hill from North Leigh direction and hit the Freeland gates at way more than 40mph, I am fully supportive of this being included in the 30mph and makes sense that this joins with the rest of the road through Long Hanborough to Freeland Gate development etc 30mph on A4095 – Support See previous answer - the gates make the perfect zone marker for 30mph Travel change: Other Drive slower!!
(147) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Support Lower emissions, less dangerous for kids walking back from school (and everyone!!) 30mph on A4095 – Support

	Lower emissions, safer for everyone! Travel change: Yes - cycle more
	Travel change. Tes - cycle more
(148) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Support I support this in the forlorn hope that those that currently insist on going through Freeland much faster than 30mph, will be persuade to at least come under 30mph. I'm aware that the Freeland Speedwatch team regularly clock drivers doing 45mph, and even as fast as both 65 and 70mph in a couple of instances!
	30mph on A4095 – Support Hopefully it will make turning out of Freeland onto the A4095 easier, and also for pedestrians trying to cross the A4095 to the footpath that only runs on the north side of the A4095 when going towards Hanborough from Freeland.
	Travel change: Yes - walk/wheel more
(149) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Support I have been a member of the Speedwatch team in Freeland and as such have seen careless driving and speeding in the village. The 20mph will hopefully ensure the safety of our children, cyclist and walkers. I do also feel the whole of Pigeon House lane should be included rather then the first 300mtrs or so. It is a country lane and is used a lot by walkers and cyclist and yet we still see big HGV's coming down it as well as drivers at great speed.
	30mph on A4095 – Support The 30mph speed limit on the A4095 will hopefully ensure a safer negotiation of the junction with Wroslyn Road. Travel change: Yes – walk/wheel more
(150) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Support I wholeheartedly support the proposal to reduce the speed limit through (part of) Freeland to 20mph. I would also like to see it enforced plus other traffic calming measures.
	30mph on A4095 – Support

	Reducing the speed limit to 30 mph will increase the safety of other road users and also produce less noise for this living nearby. Also install traffic calming measures Travel change: Yes - cycle more
(151) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Support People tend to speed through the village currently despite the 30mph limit and I believe a 20mph zone would at least encourage them to slow down sub 30mph. 30mph on A4095 – Support It would make exiting the Wroslyn Road safer and encourage the observance of a new 20mph limit in the village as a whole. Travel change: No
(152) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Support I live in wroslyn Road Freeland, and have done for a very long time. Fully support 20 mph, but needs to be the complete from The Green to Red City. The speed of traffic is well over 30 mph, if the 20mph stops at Oaklands, will encourage speeding up the top end of wroslyn road. 30mph on A4095 – Support Help with the junction. Travel change: No
(153) Local resident, (Freeland, Blenheim Lane)	20mph – Support I support a 20mph limit.

	Why? If you check in with the reports from the village Speedwatch team they will tell you the statistics. During each session about 20 cars exceed the 30mph limit. Recently there have been reports of parked cars being hit by speeding drivers. Several cats have recently been run over: check Facebook. One day there will be an injury to a human. Wroslyn road is a cut through between the 4095 and the A40. People speed along the route. The village is being treated badly, residents have to deal with the noise and pollution. Even school buses do not obey the limit. What more do I need to add? 30mph on A4095 – Support This makes complete sense, better actually for drivers due to the new 40mph limit along the A4095 from North Leigh into Freeland. It will make that part of Freeland integrated better into the main part of the village. It should prevent fatalities to residents of Freeland on A4095 Travel change: Yes – walk/wheel more
(154) Local resident, (Freeland, Busby Close)	20mph – Support Our cat was run over and killed on wroslyn road, and since then (back in February) at least 4 more cats have been run over and killed. 30mph on A4095 – Support People drive too fast Travel change: No
(155) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Support WroslynRoad is becoming a short cut and traffic speeds can be excessive. The road is very much multi use with cyclists and horses. Parking causes congestion particularly at school start and finish times and needs addressing. The centre of the village is basically a blind chicane. Young children do cycle the road on their own. 30mph on A4095 – Support

	Pulling out onto the road is an issue and with more housing proposed this will increase as a problem. The A4095 is increasingly busy as traffic avoids the A40. Cuckoo lane is now very busy as a cut through to avoid the 20 limit in Witney and the junction with the A4095 is increasingly difficult as westbound traffic is accelerating out of the 40 limit so the limit boundary needs extending westwards beyond the junction Travel change: No
(156) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Support The section of the village covered by the proposal includes both the primary school and the area of the village hall, pub and church where vehicles can only travel in single file and therefore restricting the speed of vehicles is vital. 30mph on A4095 – Support Traffic turning out of Wroslyn Road, Freeland Gate and the other properties along this section of the A4095 can struggle to do this safely due to the traffic speed and restricted view resulting from the overgrown verges. Travel change: No
(157) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Support With one main road through Freeland which has a school on it, wroslyn road is used by children to walk to school and a 20mph speed limit would increase safety 30mph on A4095 – Support Alike to previous answer, safer for children Travel change: Yes – walk/wheel more
(158) Local resident, (Freeland, Pigeon House Lane)	20mph – Support Too many people in the village and those passing through drive too fast and reckless. We have lots of kids and people with mobility issues that needs to feel safe to cycle, walk or use mobility vehicles. In addition the entire Pigeon house lane should be a 20mph zone and closed off completely for non-residents. We have had too many near misses with reckless and speeding cars that use the lane as a shortcut.

	30mph on A4095 – Support Most people speed up past the gates. And there are many hidden entrances to freeland, and properties. Travel change: Yes - cycle more
(159) Local resident, (Freeland, Walkers Close)	20mph – Support To encourage drivers to slow down and consider others 30mph on A4095 – Support Speeding vehicles make exiting Wroslyn Road difficult and dangerous Travel change: Yes - cycle more
(160) Local resident, (Freeland, Witney Road)	20mph – Support I live in Freeland with young children. We'd love to be able to cycle up to the playground and would feel safer with a lower speed restriction. Also, I have to walk along the Witney road (A4095) first to get to Wroslyn road and it's not great walking alongside oncoming traffic driving between 40-50mph with a buggy! 30mph on A4095 – Support Please see previous page. I'll have a newborn soon and a toddler and walking along the road can be quite frightening with some cars speeding! Also, Will be easier to get out of our estate (Freeland Grange) Travel change: Yes - cycle more
(161) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Support Keen to reduce accidents and pollution

	30mph on A4095 – Support Reduce accidents and pollution Travel change: Yes – walk/wheel more
(162) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Support Safer and lower pollution 30mph on A4095 – Support Safer and lower pollution Travel change: Yes - cycle more
(163) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Support Many vehicles travel through the village along Wroslyn Road at excessive speeds. In order to minimise the danger and risk to our residents, especially children and the elderly, a 20mph limit is essential. Also, with the building of Freeland Gate there are many families living close to the A4095 so this should be reduced from 40mph to 30mph 30mph on A4095 – Support Children cross theA4095 to get to school and their safety would be much greater with a 30mph limit Travel change: No
(164) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Support Cars travel far too fast through Freeland endangering residents, pets and wildlife 30mph on A4095 – Support New housing on the A4095 with many young families makes a 30mph essential Travel change: No

(165) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Support We live on Wroslyn Road opposite Willoughby Fields at the bottom of the hill and countless times motorists speed up to get up the hill as well as fail to brake when descending the hill so again speeding through the village. In addition to this, visitors to the flats often park on the midnight road during night time hours further adding to health and safety concerns and road traffic hazards to both cyclists and dog walkers etc. especially so as the main road has NO street lighting non what-so-ever. Incidentally, there was an incident about two weeks ago when a driver crashed into a parked car on the hill on Wroslyn Road during night time hours and speed as well as under the influence was believed to be cause of the accident. We strongly suggest 20 mph throughout the WHOLE main road through the village and NOT just the centre part as proposed. We also have two young dogs and always fearful of them escaping onto the main road in live traffic. We lost our cat a good few years ago to another speeding motorist. 30mph on A4095 – Support We live on Wroslyn Road opposite Willoughby Fields at the bottom of the hill and countless times motorists speed up to get up the hill as well as fail to brake when descending the hill so again speeding through the village. In addition to this, visitors to the flats often park on the midnight road during night time hours further adding to health and safety concerns and road traffic hazards to both cyclists and dog walkers etc. especially so as the main road has NO street lighting non what-so-ever. Incidentally, there was an incident about two weeks ago when a driver crashed into a parked car on the hill on Wroslyn Road during night time hours and speed as well as under the influence was believed to be cause of the accident. We strongly suggest 20 mph throughout the WHOLE main road through the village and NOT just the centre part as proposed. We also have two young dogs and always fearful of them escaping onto the main road in live traffic. We lost our cat a good few
(166) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – Support Reduce risk of accidents. 30mph on A4095 – Support I live at Freeland Gate and consider the road in front of my house to be too fast for the area. Travel change: No

(167) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Support It gets crowded around the Yeoman pub and there are a few blind bends. Having the entire Wroslyn Rd at 20 mph would seem excessive, so I think the proposals seem about right 30mph on A4095 – No objection Don't feel too strongly about this Travel change: No
(168) Local resident, (Freeland, Oakland Close)	20mph – Support The proposed 20mph zone through Freeland is logical, and makes complete sense to ensure the busiest parts of the village (village hall, church, pub, garden nursery, school) are all within the 20mph proposed area. Areas either side to the north (from A4095, southbound through the village to the proposed boundary from 30 to 20mph) remain at 30mph, and the area to the south of the village, northbound from the A40remain at 30mph up to the proposed boundary just past the allotment/memorial garden site. 30mph on A4095 – No objection I'm supporting this initiative as a result of the road safety data in terms of reduction in injuries sustained at lower speed impact events, possibly lower emissions and an overall improvement in road safely. Travel change: No
(169) Local resident, (Freeland, Pigeon House Lane)	20mph – Support Cars drive far too fast through our small village - often significantly more than 30mph. This has resulted in several beloved cars being killed in Wroslyn Rd (including ours). It will be a child next. It seems really odd that Freeland is an outlier in having a 30mph limit compared with other surrounding towns and villages. But please please include Pigeon House Lane in the proposals. It is crying out to be 20mph but is a ludicrous national speed limit in places despite being single track with multiple blind bends and frequented by walkers and horse riders. 30mph on A4095 – No objection Don't feel strongly about this from a Freeland perspective as there's only a tiny stretch at 40 before it changes.

	Travel change: Yes - walk/wheel more
(170) Local resident, (Freeland, The Blowings)	20mph – Support The main road through Freeland can be used as a bit of a rat run and people often speed through the village. With the primary school along the main road along with lots of residents and visitors that park along the roadside, reducing the speed limit will help to reduce the risk of accidents 30mph on A4095 – No objection I have no objection either way on this proposal, whether the road stays at 40mph or drops down to 30mph Travel change: No
(171) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Support Safer for those walking and cycling through the village, particularly children around the school 30mph on A4095 – No objection N/a Travel change: Yes - cycle more
(172) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Support I overwhelmingly support the reduced speed limits as they form the background to a safer and quieter environment, reinforcing the fact that roads are not only for cars and other large vehicles but also cyclists and allow pedestrians to cross the road safely. Reduced speed limits themselves must go in hand in hand with traffic calming methods and speed checks by police or by the use of static cameras. 30mph on A4095 – No objection The reduction to 30 mph is part of slowing down traffic making it safer and more pleasant to live in the vicinity of the A4095

	Travel change: Yes - cycle more
(173) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Support We live on Wroslyn Road, the main road through the village and near to the school. It is a surprisingly busy road at certain times of the day and I don't see any draw back of the speed being limited to 20mph. Safer for children, wildlife and reducing noise 30mph on A4095 – No objection The roads are sufficiently far from built up areas and the school. Could be extended from hanborough up to cuckoo lane without any significant downside. Travel change: No
(174) Local resident, (Freeland, Wrosyln Road)	20mph – Support I support a partial speed reduction within the village- from the green to past first turning to Broardmarsh Lane and again approaching the school. I don't think a complete 20 mile reduction throughout the whole length of Wroslyn Road to be necessary or helpful. 30mph on A4095 – No objection I don't think the road in itself warrants a reduction, however with the increase in traffic flow it is increasingly difficult to exit out of Wroslyn Road right- towards Long Hanborough at certain times of the day. Travel change: No
(175) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – Support Many local drivers are driving too fast. Even in Broadmarsh Lane and through the village hall and public house area to to the village green. 30mph on A4095 – No objection

	The traffic density in this area has increased and needs slowing down to make it safer for drivers egressing the new Freeland Gate housing estate and the Wroslyn Road junction. Travel change: No
(176) Local resident, (Freeland, Wroslyn Road)	20mph – Support I live opposite the school in Freeland. 2 weeks ago my cat was hit by a van that did not stop and was killed. Both my neighbours have also had cats killed on the same stretch of Wroslyn Road. Cars regularly exceed 30mph. I don't think 20 zones reduce speed to 20mph, but if it stops people driving over 30 it will be an improvement. I fear that a child will be hit by a car on Wroslyn Road. 30mph on A4095 – No objection I have no strong views on this proposal. With more housing development on the A4095 reducing this stretch of road to 30 as in Long Hanborough would seem sensible. Travel change: No
(177) Local resident, (Freeland, Freeland Gate)	20mph – No objection Seems a sensible action 30mph on A4095 – Support This is a very dangerous road to cross with such a small island if going to the bus stop towards Hanborough. I have witnessed cars on the wrong side of the road at over 50 mph. An accident waiting to happen. Travel change: No
(178) Local resident, (Freeland, Broadmarsh Lane)	20mph – No objection We have a school on the main road, several cars parking on dangerous bends & a very busy pub, village hall & playing field, so definitely a 20 mph would help 30mph on A4095 – No objection We have several junctions coming off this part of the road so 30 mph would help avoiding accidents

Travel change: Yes - walk/wheel more
Travel change: Yes - walk/wheel more