

Statement of Reasons

Gloucestershire County Council (40mph Speed Limit) (B4228 Staunton Road, Coleford) Order 2017

Proposals

To reduce the length of the existing 40mph speed limit, and thereby extend the existing 30mph speed limit on the B4228 Staunton Road, Coleford.

(N.B. The existing 30mph limit will therefore become by virtue of street lighting.)

Reasons

A new housing estate is currently under construction on land that was part of Owen Farm on the B4228 Staunton Road, Coleford. However, the new access road for the estate is currently outside the existing 30mph speed limit, so for reasons of road safety, it is proposed to extend the 30mph speed limit to include this new junction. This will make it safer and easier for traffic to access and egress onto the B4228 from the estate.

To achieve this requires the existing speed limit Order on Staunton Road (which includes both the 30mph and 40mph limits) to be revoked and a new 40mph limit made over a shorter length. By doing this, the existing 30mph speed limit is by default extended by virtue of street lighting.

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

The specific grounds which the County Council are using for the implementation of the proposed no waiting at any time restriction as above, are the following sections of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984:

- Section 1 (a) for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other such road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
- Section 1 (f) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.

In addition, thorough consideration was given to the factors set out in Section 122 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 in proposing this Traffic Order.

Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016

All of the associated signing will be in accordance with traffic signs regulations and general directions 2016.

Equality Act 2010

Thorough consideration was given to the equalities duty of the County Council under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010.

Statutory Consultation

The Police, Ambulance Service, Fire Service, Town Council, Road Haulage Association and the Freight Transport Association have not raised any objections to the proposals.