

Statement of Reasons

Proposed 20mph Zone, Stopping and Waiting Restrictions, Road Humps and Traffic Calming – Various Roads in the vicinity of Hopton Road and Everlands, Cam, Dursley

Proposals

The proposals are to:

- introduce a new 20mph zone on a section of Hopton Road, Cam, within the vicinity of Cam Hopton Church of England Primary School as well as on Hopton Green and Millbank; and
- introduce new No Stopping on Entrance Markings and No Waiting at Any Time restrictions on Everlands, Cam, within the vicinity of the Scout Hut; and
- remove, amend and introduce speed cushions and chicane build-outs on Hopton Road and Everlands.

Reasons

The proposals have originated as a result of a development which has planning consent (S.15/0476/278/2/ S/15/0476/OUT) relating to land at Hopton Road, Littlecombe. As part of the highway works for this development, the proposals have been requested in order to reduce speeds in the vicinity of Cam Hopton Church of England Primary School to improve road safety for all road users. The chicane build-outs and speed cushions are being proposed to complement the new 20mph zone to help keep speeds low.

The No Stopping on Entrance Markings and No Waiting at Any Time restrictions have been proposed outside the Scout Hut to improve visibility and road safety for all road users.

The Council is exercising their powers under different legislation to implement the proposals as follows:

Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (“RTRA”)

- 20mph Zone - Section 84 and Part IV of Schedule 9; and
- No Stopping on Entrance Markings and No Waiting at Any Time restrictions:
 - Section 1 (a) For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.
 - Section 1 (c) For facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).
 - Section 1 (f) for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs.
- Thorough consideration has been given to the factors set out in Section 122 - it is the duty of a highway authority to ‘manage their road network’ and ‘to improve road safety’ and local authorities must, so far as is practicable, exercise their functions under the RTRA so as to ‘secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of traffic’.

The proposals therefore accord with the RTRA.

Highways Act 1980

- Speed cushion road humps - Section 90A; and
- Traffic calming features - Section 90G

Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016

All of the associated signing and lining 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

A consultation process has been undertaken with all of the Statutory Consultees, including the Police, Emergency Services, Freight Transport Association, Road Haulage Association, the local Parish Council, Local Highways Manager and County Councillor. No objections have been raised.