

ORKNEY ISLANDS COUNCIL

THE ORKNEY ISLANDS COUNCIL (30 MPH SPEED LIMIT) (VARIOUS ROADS IN ORKNEY) ORDER 2021

COUNCIL'S REASONS FOR PROPOSING TO MAKE ORDER

The Council proposes to introduce a traffic order which will create a thirty miles per hour speed limit on sections of the following roads

- A961, Westshore, Bloomfield Road, Burray Village.
- A961, east of St Mary's.
- A960 and B9052 Toab.
- Wardhill Road, Stromness,
- Swartland Road, B9057 Vetquoy Road, B9057 Hillside Road, Dounby.
- Carness Road, St Ola,
- Old Finstown Road, St Ola,

The reasons for proposing to make the order are given below.

- A review of speed limits was discussed at the Roads and Environmental Services Consultative Group (RESCG) on 30 April 2021.
- On 3rd June 2021 the Senior Management Team agreed the consultation process could proceed under paragraph 2.7.29 of the Scheme of Delegation and a briefing note should be issued to all Elected Members, copied to the Chief Executive. There were no adverse comments received from Elected members regarding the proposals.
- The review of these speed limits follows requests from communities and Elected members.
- The development of new housing adjacent to these sections of road have seen the towns, villages and settlements continue to grow thus necessitated the extension of the existing 30 mph speed limits.
- School Travel Plans for Burray and St Andrews Primary Schools requested that the 40mph speed limit in the vicinity of the schools be reduced to 30mph to promote road safety and encourage more active modes of transport within these areas.
- The introduction of lower speed limits will improve road safety for pedestrians, cyclists, walkers and all other road users for all of the roads specified within the Order.



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