

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Officer Decision Record

Decision Maker:	Adrian Gray
Title:	Traffic Order Proposals : 30 and 40mph Speed Limits in Henry Cort Way at Gosport
Reference:	A1039

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1. The decision:

- 1.1. That a traffic order be implemented under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (RTRA), the effects of which will be to impose a 30mph speed limit and extend the existing 40mph speed limit in specified lengths of Henry Cort Way as follows:

30mph

Between its junction with Rowner Road and a point approximately 342 metres north-west thereof.

40mph

Between a point 342 metres north-west of its junction with Rowner Road and a point 74 metres south-east of the centreline of its junction with the Tichborne Way bridge at Gosport, an approximate distance of 646 metres.

2. Reason(s) for the decision:

- 2.1. The Eclipse busway was opened in 2012 between Redlands Lane and Hutfield Link serving the area with a high specification public transport and cycling experience. The proposed scheme including the 900m extension of the current busway from Hutfield Link to Rowner Road will improve the experience even further by reducing the journey time significantly.

To ensure the route is kept free of other vehicles and enable the Eclipse bus services to run efficiently, it is proposed to introduce a range of restrictions on traffic manoeuvres. As the route will be available to cyclists and approved buses only, the proposed 40mph speed limit was considered appropriate, same as the first phase, for the first 530m of the extension and reduced to 30mph for the rest of the busway due to the presence of a busy pedestrian / cyclists crossing at this location.

- 2.2. No objections or representations were received in response to the public consultation which took place between 30 April and 21 May 2021.

2.3. Due consideration has been given to RTRA 1984 sections 122(1) and 122(2) and any other relevant legislation. In this case the Decision Maker acting on behalf of the Local Authority considers this TRO expeditious, for the convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians).

2.4 The decision outlined in paragraph 2.3 (above) to exercise the functions of the Local Authority under RTRA 1984 sections 122(1) and 122(2) has been reached on the basis of what is reasonably practicable after due regard has been given to:

- the importance of facilitating the passage of public service vehicles and of securing the safety and convenience of persons using or desiring to use such vehicles
- and any other matters appearing to the authority to be relevant.

3. Other options considered and rejected:

3.1. None

4. Scheme Funding:

4.1. Capital

5. Conflicts of interest:

5.1. None

6. Dispensation granted by the Head of Paid Service:

6.1. None

7. Supporting information:

7.1. Local Members, Councillors P Hayre and S Philpott support the proposals

7.2. Police – do not object

7.3. Draft order

Approved by:

Adrian Gray

Date:

06/07/2021

Adrian Gray, Head of Highways (Traffic)

On behalf of the Director of Economy, Transport and Environment