



# EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISION

<b>REPORT OF:</b>	Executive Member for Regeneration
<b>LEAD OFFICERS:</b>	Director of Environment and Operations
<b>DATE:</b>	13th February 2019

<b>PORTFOLIO/S AFFECTED:</b>	Regeneration	
<b>WARD/S AFFECTED:</b>	Billinge and Beardwood Darwen Blackburn South East Darwen East Darwen South Darwen West Little Harwood and Whitebirk Roe Lee West Pennine	Blackburn South and Lower

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Speed Limit Consolidation Order – various roads

## 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

To inform the Executive Member for Regeneration of the proposal to introduce a Speed Limit Order as detailed below and seek approval to make it:-

**Proposed Speed Limit Order consolidation.....various roads as per schedule**

## 2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Executive Member:

Authorise the Director of HR, Legal & Governance to advertise the proposed Traffic Regulation Order as per the attached schedule and make the order should no objections be made.

*(Note that any unresolved objections will be reported to a meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee)*

## 3. BACKGROUND

Anomalies in a 1997 Speed Limit Order were highlighted by Lancashire Police as part of their speed camera programme.

There are a significant number of disparate legal orders for different speed limits across the Borough, so the opportunity is being taken while addressing the anomalies raised by Lancashire Police, to consolidate all the existing Speed Limit Orders for speeds above the National Speed Limit for Restricted Roads and below the National Speed Limit for Unrestricted Roads in to a single Borough-wide Order.

This will simplify future administration and amendments and as the speed limit information will be contained in a single legal order will also be easier for the public to access and digest.

*Note: The National Speed Limit for a Restricted Road is 30mph and the National Speed Limit for an Unrestricted Road is 60mph (for single carriageways) or 70mph (for dual carriageways).*

#### 4. KEY ISSUES & RISKS

No risks arising from this proposal have been identified. The proposal is of benefit to the social and economic well being of the Borough.

#### 5. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The proposal to make and revoke Traffic Regulation Orders requires delegated approval from the Executive Member for Regeneration and Chief Officer. Traffic Regulation Orders are required to be published in the local press and on site to comply with the Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984. Directly affected properties are consulted in line with current procedure.

The proposal meets the requirements of the Traffic Management Act 2004 in managing the expeditious movement of traffic on the highway network.

#### 6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The cost of making and advertising this Traffic Regulation Order will be approximately £8000 and will be funded from the Traffic and Transportation element of the Highways Maintenance budget.

#### 7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The necessary legal powers to implement this scheme are within the Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984 under Section 84 and Part III of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended, and all other enabling powers and in accordance with its duty with Section 122 of the said Act.

The advertising of the proposals will provide the public the opportunity to comment/object which will be considered appropriately by officers. Any unresolved objections will be reported to a meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee and then brought back for a decision by the Executive Member.

#### 8. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

None

#### 9. EQUALITY AND HEALTH IMPLICATIONS

**Please select one of the options below. Where appropriate please include the hyperlink to the EIA.**

Option 1 ☒ Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) not required – the EIA checklist has been completed.

Option 2 ☐ In determining this matter the Executive Member needs to consider the EIA associated with this item in advance of making the decision. *(insert EIA link here)*

Option 3 ☐ In determining this matter the Executive Board Members need to consider the EIA associated with this item in advance of making the decision. *(insert EIA attachment)*

#### 10. CONSULTATIONS

Members of the public will be given the opportunity to object to or comment on the proposal following statutory advertising on site and in the local newspaper.

#### 11. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The recommendations are made further to advice from the Monitoring Officer and the Section 151

Officer has confirmed that they do not incur unlawful expenditure. They are also compliant with equality legislation and an equality analysis and impact assessment has been considered. The recommendations reflect the core principles of good governance set out in the Council's Code of Corporate Governance.

## **12. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

All Declarations of Interest of any Executive Member consulted and note of any dispensation granted by the Chief Executive will be recorded and published if applicable.

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<b>BACKGROUND PAPER:</b>	Appendix 1 - schedule Appendix 2a,b,c - plans
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