

Statement of reasons

High Street and Bagshot Road, Chobham

St Lawrence School Road Safety Scheme, Chobham Village

Order 1

Surrey County Council is proposing to introduce the following speed limit changes on the following roads detailed below:

20mph Zone

- A3046 High Street, Chobham – from its junction with Station Road/Castle Grove Road, continuing north to its junction with A319 Bagshot Road (approximate 225m)
- A319 High Street, Chobham – from its junction with Bagshot Road, continuing northeast to the Bridge over Mill Bourne River. Lamp column 17 (approximate 164m)
- A319 Bagshot Road, Chobham – from its junction with A3046 High Street, westwards to 10m east of the entrance to the Chobham Fire Station (existing 30/40mph Speed Limit Terminals) (approximate 205m)

New 30mph Limit

- A319 Bagshot Road, Chobham – from 10m east of the Chobham Fire Station (existing 30/40 Speed Limit Terminals). To continue west along A319 Bagshot Road to 96m west of the junction with Pennypot Lane (approximate 673m)
- D26 Pennypot Lane, Chobham - from its junction with A319 Bagshot Road to the junction with C11 Beldam Bridge Road. (Approximate 1726m)
- D37 Clappers Lane, Chobham – for its entire length (approximate 469m)

Order 2

Raised Table Zebra Crossing A319 Bagshot Road

New zebra crossing on new flat topped road hump. Centre of road hump positioned 21.0metres west from the western edge of the separation island on Bagshot Road at the Bagshot Rd/High Street roundabout. The zebra crossing is to be place centrally on the road hump.

Flat topped road hump; full carriageway width; height 75mm; length 7.27metres with 1500mm 1:20 gradient ramps.

Zebra crossing limits, 2400mm; length 40.2metres including limits of crossing and controlled area, along centre line of carriageway.

Traffic Calming A319 Bagshot Road 20mph Zone

One pair of new speed cushions positioned 8.96 metres from the boundary between 1 Holly Bank and Two Elm Bank Bagshot Road to centre line of cushion.

Cushion size; 1650mm x 3500mm x 75mm;

Main ramp gradient 1:8,

Side gradient 1:4

Reasoning

Chobham High Street is a busy A-class road with a significant number of businesses, on-street parking and high levels of pedestrian footfall (including parents and children walking to and from the St Lawrence primary school). Similarly, the initial section of the A319 Bagshot Road immediately west of its junction with the High Street is a busy A-class road with a parade of shops and a Co-op store. A significant number of parents and children cross this section of Bagshot Road when travelling to and from the school (which pedestrians can access both via Chobham High Street and Bagshot Road). A petition signed by a large number of parents was previously presented to the Surrey Heath Local Committee requesting measures to help reduce vehicles speeds and improve pedestrian crossing facilities. Chobham Parish Council have also requested the introduction of a 20mph speed limit in the centre of the village.

Introducing a new length of 30mph Limit on Bagshot Road is designed to act as a “buffer zone” between the proposed 20mph speed limit and the existing 40mph limit westbound on Bagshot Road. The proposed 30mph speed limit should help to gradually slow traffic so that the desired speed is achieved as it enters the village.

Pennypot Lane & Clappers Lane

Speed surveys showed that the average speeds complied with the SCC Setting Local Speed Limits Policy for a signed only 30mph limit.

Speed limits can help to reduce accidents and improve safety for all road users. It has been shown that the slower a vehicle is travelling then the less likelihood there is of a serious or fatal injury occurring. It is expected that by introducing lower Speed Limits in High Street and Bagshot Road, this will contribute to help reduce vehicle speeds, improve safety, reassure pedestrians and support sustainable travel more generally.