## WAVERLEY SPEED LIMIT – CHURCH LANE (D151), WITLEY.

## PROPOSED REDUCTION OF THE 30 MILES PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT ON PART/ALL OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED ROADS TO A 20 MILES PER HOUR SPEED LIMIT -

## STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR PROPOSING TO MAKE THE SPEED LIMIT ORDER

The County Council are promoting the above draft Order on safety and environmental grounds.

Consequently it is proposed to impose a **20 mph speed limit** on the following roads:

**Church Lane (D151)** - Between A283 Petworth Road (at the junction with) to the existing speed limit terminals just north of Churchfields (approx. 207m).

The imposition of lower speed limits can lead to a reduction in the number of road injury accidents if the speed limit is effective. Research published by the Department of the Environment, Transport and Regions (DETR) in 'New Directions in Speed Management' indicates that broadly each 1mph reduction in average speed can reduce accident frequency by up to 5%. The severity of injuries caused by accidents also increases with higher collision speeds.