

Speed Reduction - A22 Godstone Hill / Godstone Road / Caterham bypass, Caterham, A22 Godstone bypass, Godstone, Surrey.

Statement of Reasons

It is proposed to reduce existing derestricted 60 mph & 70mph speed limit to a 50mph speed limit throughout the sections of highway detailed above.

Change of speed limit (Derestricted 60mph & 70mph to 50mph).

A speed limit reduction scheme to address vehicle speeds and to introduce a more consistent speed limit throughout the A22. Other connecting roads are subject to 30mph, 50mph and derestricted speed limits. There have been various serious and slight collisions throughout

In conjunction with the speed reduction element of this scheme,

No Entry and No U Turn restrictions are to be installed at the central reservation gap between the north and southbound dual carriageways of the A22 Godstone Bypass, opposite the junction with Rooks Nest, to further enhance safety within the scheme.

Speed Limit Reduction from derestricted 70mph to 50mph on the A22.

A22, north of M25 junction 6 Godstone Interchange.

From a point approximately 30m north of the M25 junction 6 roundabout on the north bound carriageway to both, the B2030 Godstone Road junction with Markfield Road and the A22 Caterham Bypass intersection (approximately 70m north of the junction with B2030 Godstone Road). A length of approximately 1.8km.

From a point approximately 185m south of the A22 Caterham Bypass junction with B2030 Godstone Road on the south bound carriageway to a point approximately 30m north of the M25 junction 6 roundabout on the south bound carriageway. A length of approximately 1.6km.

A22, south of M25 junction 6 Godstone Interchange

From a point approximately 100m north of the A25 Oxted Road roundabout junction on the north bound carriageway of the A22 to a point approximately 40m south of the M25 junction 6 roundabout. A length of approximately 1.1km.

From a point approximately 20 m south of the M25 junction 6 roundabout on the south bound carriageway to a point approximately 100m north of the A25 Oxted Road roundabout junction. A length of approximately 1.1km.

Speed Limit Reduction from derestricted 60mph to 50mph on the A22.

A22, south of A25 roundabout junction with A22.

From a point approximately 90m north of the A22 roundabout junction with B2236 Eastbourne Road to a point approximately 95m south of the roundabout junction with A25 Oxted Road. A length of approximately 1.45km.

Surrey County Council engineers raised concerns about various collisions, vehicle speeds and safety concerns within the A22. A speed limit assessment has been carried out on the A22 and following the processes set out in Surrey County Council's Policy for Setting Local Speed Limits. A reduction of the speed limit on A22 Godstone bypass, Godstone and A22 Godstone Hill / Godstone Road / Caterham bypass complies with the policy and is supported by Surrey Police and Local Members for the reduction to 50mph.

In conjunction with the speed reduction element of this scheme,

No Entry and No U Turn restrictions are to be installed at the central reservation gap between the north and southbound dual carriageways of the A22 Godstone By-pass, opposite the junction with Rooks Nest, to further enhance safety within the scheme.

No Entry sign requirement – A22 Godstone By-pass, access to northbound carriageway via central reservation gap opposite Rooks Nest, Godstone.

It is proposed to stop right turns on to the A22 Godstone By-pass northbound carriageway from the Rooks Nest junction with the A22 Godstone By-pass southbound carriageway.

The right turn manoeuvre to be stopped involves crossing the two lanes of the A22 southbound dual carriageway, entering and crossing over a gap in the A22 central reservation, to entering the A22 northbound dual carriageway via its overtaking outside lane.

The crossing gap in the A22 central reservation is fed by a right turn filter lane from the A22 northbound dual carriageway and is primarily intended for A22 northbound traffic to turning right across the A22 southbound dual carriageway into the Rook Nest junction. Traffic attempting to make the opposite right turn manoeuvre out of Rook Nest risks collision conflict with both A22 southbound and / or A22 northbound right turn traffic flows.

Surrey County Council engineers have raised concerns about the sightline and casualty record at this site over a number of years.

No U Turn sign requirement – A22 Godstone By-pass, northbound carriageway, at the central reservation gap for accessing the Rooks Nest junction with the southbound carriageway of the A22 Godstone By-pass, Godstone.

It is proposed to stop U turns from the A22 Godstone By-pass northbound carriageway via the central reservation right turn gap, that accesses Rooks Nest.

The alignment of the carriageway and line of sight at central reservation gap are not conducive with U turning onto the southbound carriageway of the A22 Godstone Bypass and vehicles attempting this manoeuvre risk collision conflict with A22 southbound vehicles and / or vehicles exiting the Rook Nest junction.