

Imposition of Traffic Calming Measures on D2575 Grange Road and the introduction of a 20mph speed zone in Grange Road, a certain length of Ottways Lane, D2584 Harriotts Lane and D2575 Taleworth Road, Ashtead

Statement of Reasons for proposing to make the Order

One of the road safety improvement schemes funded from the current financial year is the installation of traffic calming measures in Grange Road and the creation of a 20mph zone in Grange Road, a certain length of Ottways Lane, Harriotts Lane and Taleworth Road

Several site meetings were taken place by Surrey Highways Officers to investigate the current road safety issues. The scheme has been developed in response to concerns raised by the County Councillor regarding vehicle speeds along D2575 Grange Road, D2575 Ottways Lane and D2584 Harriotts Lane.

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 the creation of a 20mph zone will contribute to improving road safety and the environment in the vicinity, particularly near the schools.

The proposed traffic calming measures on Grange Road should help to reduce vehicle speeds in the vicinity of Downsend and St Andrews Catholic Schools, where average vehicle speeds have been recorded as high as 29mph.

Taleworth Road, had a 20mph speed limit installed in 2023, however because the speed limit is being extended into the other roads nearby, this 20mph speed limit will be incorporated into the 20mph zone.

The County Councillor has been consulted and they support the proposal.

The above proposal will be advertised in the local press. County and Borough Councillors, stakeholders and the police will be formally consulted.