STEDHAM TRO SURVEY Comments (79 responses)

Much needed

While I understand the intention this plan will be difficult to enforce while negatively impacting the visual characteristics of the local lanes with the addition of multiple reflective signs required by such a scheme. Common sense should prevail in such plans. 20 by the school makes sense. 20 up mill lane? 30 north of the bridge? Why?

I am very pleased someone is looking at this . Thank you

I narrowly missed having a crash because of a speeding car . Some people will still speed whatever the speed limit is. Let a hope this makes them think!

Living on school lane, cars and large vehicles regularly pass our house at speed, and with young children and a dog it's dangerous. People seem to pick up speed as they pass the school where the road widens

I don't think there's an issue with people going over these speeds really to begin with, people use common sense. It seems like a non issue and a waste of time to change it.

Very good idea

Without pavement in the village and the number and frequency of walkers cyclists and horses moving around this will contribute to a safer environment for villagers and visitors

Being a rural community we have neither pavements nor streetlights, because of this it can be rather perilous as vehicles often steam around the village. It is particularly dangerous as there are lots of families and elderly people along with numerous horse riders and dog walkers, as you would expect in any rural community. Whilst I don't believe a 20mph limit will stop everyone speeding, it will at least encourage the great proportion to travel with more caution around our roads.

People exiting and entering stedham do tend to be travelling faster than the 30mph limit which can be a concern for people walking along the roads as there are no paths. It is even more important during the darker months where there is no lighting. Given that quite a few horses walk along these roads, 20mph would be perfect for safety.

Totally pointless, no one will adhere to it and you can't enforce it.most of the people who speed are parents taking their kids to school - start with them

Strongly in favour of 20mph through the village, but feel the 30 limit from Bridge foot is not needed and will create extra sign disfiguration.

It should absolutely be 20mph. Any speed more particularly along school lane or past the rec where children play is so dangerous

School Lane in particular is a narrow lane with a school and no pavement. Frequently drivers drive as though it is a main road. Real potential for accident

I wouldn't know about Stedham. I never go into that part So it would be very wrong of me to make a comment on this

If it starts to be 20mph from A272 down the Street I think maybe people will ignore it. Perhaps 20 mph should start nearer the village gates.

30 mph max should be safe enough. In practice, I usually drive at less than 30mph anyway. The problem is how do you enforce the limit. Are you going to instal speed cameras? Also, from my experience in London, 20mph limits in residential areas are the thin end of the wedge and before you know it, it's 20 mph everywhere including A roads.

If cars stuck to the speed limit of 30mph there should be no cause for concern

We have many horses and riders in and around the village, my car has been hit (and written off) by a careless van driver speeding through Stedham lane, had I been riding, my horse would have certainly been killed and possibly I too. This is a quiet village with children and animals using the green and roads, a 20 mile an hour limit may prevent an accident waiting to happen, and 30 on the narrow Stedham Lane.

20mph in Common View a good idea due to massive parking issues. Keep our children and pets safe.

People drive far too fast along the street, no paths and when it is dark with no streetlights, very dangerous

Absolutely... have been campaigning this for years

Children playing

What's the reasoning for changing to 20moh, modern cars, which have been in production for decades now can stop from 30mph within a meter.

What we actually need is to moderate who is able to drive. Far too many people with poor reaction speeds are able to drive.

It is blatantly obvious that the limit should be 20mph as in parts the road is narrow and cars have to park on that road as there are no driveways. Just plain common sense.

I would also support extending the 30mph along Stedham lane as there have been a number of accidents

I think it will be a pointless exercise. With the number of cars parked in the village it is difficult to exceed the current speed limit anyway, personally I find that I seldom get to 25mph, usually less. Mill Lane is a private road from the Church to the Mill and does not come under the jurisdiction of WSCC Highways. The obtaining of a TRO is an extremely long winded process and can take tens of years, I cannot see that there will be any benefit to having a lower speed limit. It would have to be enforced to be effective and the likelihood of that happening is remote.

My comment about Stedham lane ... No pavement and it used by walkers , dogs and horses ... must justify as a 20 mph not 30 which is too dangerous

It needn't be 20mph from The Willows to the A272

Not before time

I think it is necessary owing to the amount of pedestrians (inc children , horse riders and dog walkers) in Stedham . There are no pavements and lights in the Street or School Lane. It is scary

There are lots of walkers, horse riders and children.

There are many horse riders, walkers of all ages and children out on their bikes. With there being a bend up at the old end of the village, drivers come round so quickly which could be dangerous and easily spook a horse or hurt someone.

People drive far too fast here and someone will get injured shortly!

A welcome speed Resident 20 mph The street No pavements, children walkers dogs and horses and riders

Please can you also consider reducing the speed on Stedham lane. There is a blind corner and a narrow bridge where cars cannot see children or dog walkers and it currently has a national speed limit sign. That sign would be better placed the other side of Bridgefoot / Bridgefoot Farm and Bridgefoot Cottages.

I'm a Stedham resident and am completely in favour of this

Long overdue, as a parent it is truly terrifying to witness the speed of far to many drivers through the village - "it's only a matter of time before a horrible accident happens" being a far to common statement in our home!!

I love my village but I worry that a child will be run over as the speed cars use the roads is too fast for children animals and the elderly

Much needed especially with the school in school lane. Worst offenders are delivery drivers

I live at Bridgefoot the traffic travel much too fast over such narrow lanes without a thought fir pedestrians and animals .

The area has limited pavements and no street lighting. There is a school within this area and walkers cyclist and horse rider frequently use the roads. A lowering of the speed limit would significantly increase the safety of these groups.

Maybe so but people don't stick to 30 at the moment so I feel like they won't stick to 20

It's a limit not a target. People will be speeding. Everyone I have seen driving has always been around 30mph and slows if needed. This reduction is ridiculous and not needed

It is a residential area

I think 20mph is too low & hard for drivers to stay under. 30mph through villages and these small roads.

Stedham lane needs to be 20 mph too , why make things complicated ? dogs , walkers , horses use that lane , and cars come hurtling past Bridgefoot going into a 30 !! please make it 20 , thank you

Speed himps would also help especially in common view and the street. There has been a huge increase in traffic through both villages in the past few years.

This is all essential for the residents safety.the challenge is how to enforce it.

20mph limit needed on Tote Hill Lane. Very narrow and currently death trap for walkers.

The 20mph restriction must start at the village "gate" and not before. There is no justification in such a low limit in a rural lane with adequate grass verges for pedestrians. You are proposing a 30 limit in Stedham Lane where there is no grass verge for pedestrians, so a similar 30 limit could be applied between the 272 and the Stedham "gate". If speed limits are not clearly seen to be sensible, they will be ignored & if a 20 limit before the "gate" is ignored, it will similarly be ignored after the "gate"

Most of Mill Lane is private. Can WSCC legislate speed on that road? Time to bring us into the 21st century Thank you to the team who have bought this to the forefront. Should have happened along time ago.

Very necessary

Introduction of speed bumps in School Lane

Too many drivers can't keep to speed limits and are a danger to other road users, in particular horse riders.

But how would this be enforced?

can't do the speed limit now in common view and around the yes to school lane and yes to lower 60 to 30 in the other areas

no speed bumps to be anywhere !!!!

What is the point. The 30mph limit is not enforced now.

To be honest some areas in Stedham are so congested with parking issues, a 30/ 20mph limit is meaningless. Please consider improved parking for Common View for example then look at A 20 mph limit

I would prefer the speed limit to begin within a short distance of coming off the A272 on to The Street. Many cars take too long to lower their speed and there are a number of pedestrians who walk along this road. There are also horse riders who may be in danger from speeding vehicles.

People who care already do not speed. People who don't care won't whatever signs are up. It won't be policed. what is the cost? Perhaps the money could be better spent elsewhere.

Weight limit for bridges should be introduced as well as speed limit.

Home owner and people, trades especially drive far to fast in the village

The scheme would also benefit from speed register signs, I think, to smile or frown according to the vehicle's speed.

I'm also in favour of speed ramps as I can't imagine all people would adhere to a 20mph speed limit

WSCC should do the same as Oxfordshire County Council who have delegated decision making to the local Town or Parish Council. As a result almost every village and town in the county has 20mph zones.

This is a small West Sussex village with no kerbs on lanes and no, street lights. I consider 20mph ample for the whole village off the A272.

Traffic far too fast along The Street and also down School Lane where it s narrow

No pavements or street lights make it very dangerous, particularly with children around the school.

Traffic flow is increasing, cars are driving faster through the village and with many delivery vans adding to the traffic flow walking along The Street for pedestrians, riding or cycling is

now becoming hazardous. There are no pavements so the road needs to be shared and traffic slowed which this lower limit will do.

Stedham lane should be 20 mph, it's used by children, walkers and horses

It will only work if accompanied by speed humps or similar

There should be a weight limit introduced on Stedham bridge.

Not in its current form. Not a fan of the 20 zone 'fever' that seems to be going on around the country. Just because you can doesn't mean it is actually needed. Generally not in favour of a blanket approach to Stedham. School Lane perhaps because of the school. Stedham Lane beyond Bridgefoot is a better candidate for a 20 zone being single track, gloomy and with bends. Not a horse rider myself but I think it is particularly hazardous to riders and walkers. A 20 zone out to just beyond Tote Lane would slow incoming traffic down before the blind bend. Mill Lane is private so not really the group's business. Generally speaking road safety would more quickly served by educating the public to put their dogs on a lead on roads in the village.

Traffic comes off A272 and onto School Lane very quickly, and straight past Hamilton Arms which if open the customers are relaxed and crossing the road to seating, and then past the infant school where at certain times of the day there are many children getting into and out of cars etc. There is a nasty accident waiting to happen. Speed humps would be even better.

Please consider lobbying for a 10 mph zone past the school for the safety of children and pedestrians during school hours