

**ECONOMIC REGENERATION AND TRANSPORT SCRUTINY PANEL
20 MPH SPEED LIMITS – ACTION PLAN**

APPENDIX A

DATE: 15th July 2014

SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATION	PROPOSED ACTION	BY WHOM	BUDGET COST	TIME SCALE
<p>1. That further, long-term, monitoring and evaluation is undertaken to measure the effectiveness of the introduction of 20 mph speed limits across residential areas of Middlesbrough.</p>	<p>An additional appraisal study is to be undertaken. This will further examine the effectiveness of the new 20 mph speed limits, looking at speeds and casualties, allowing an extra year’s monitoring / evaluation for the first phase and a full year for the 2nd phase.</p> <p>Longer term monitoring of speed complaint sites will also be carried out as required and appropriate measures implemented.</p>	<p>MC & North East Regional Road Safety Resource</p>	<p>N/ A</p>	<p>October 2014</p> <p>In place</p>
<p>2. That if, or where, persistent problems of speeding in 20 mph areas do occur, consideration should be given to the most appropriate means of addressing this - such as the use of mobile speed signs; additional 20mph repeater signs and/or road markings; the use of community speedwatch; further monitoring; requesting the involvement of the police for enforcement purposes; or introducing physical traffic calming measures.</p>	<p>As indicated to the panel, further monitoring and investigation of speeding concerns and implementation of appropriate measures detailed will be carried out as required.</p> <p>The mobile speed signs have now been delivered, appropriate testing is completed and they will be in operation from mid-June.</p>	<p>MC</p>	<p>Traffic Management budget</p>	<p>In place</p>

<p>3. That Cleveland's Police and Crime Commissioner is requested to clarify the position concerning the role and responsibility of the police in enforcement in respect of 20 mph speed limits.</p>	<p>The office of the Police and Crime Commissioner has responded stating "The deployment of staff is an operational matter and having reviewed the correspondence, the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) supports the Chief Constable's stance of following the ACPO guidelines on this matter. The PCC also supports the Community Speedwatch initiative."</p> <p>However, the aim throughout has been to introduce these new limits with the general consent of the public, change the mind set of the motorist and reduce speeds and consequently road casualties rather than gaining compliance through enforcement using fines and penalty points.</p> <p>There has actually been a welcomed increase in intervention by Cleveland Police in relation to speed limits on residential streets in Middlesbrough since the introduction of the new 20 mph limits through the use of Community Speedwatch.</p> <p>Under this scheme, the police and volunteers, (including some local councillors) work together in areas, (often those identified by the public) and the motorists initially receive advisory/warning letters from the police rather than fines and penalty points. It was introduced in Cleveland following success in other areas.</p>	<p>Cleveland Police</p>	<p>N / A</p>	<p>In place</p>
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