

RE: CONSULTATION – Various Roads (Witney) Proposed 20mph Speed Limit & Active Travel Measures

We are writing to seek your views on the proposals to introduce various measures aimed at creating an environment that is safer for both walking and cycling within Witney. The proposals have been developed and prioritised in line with DfT criteria and are as a result of funding received from the Department for Transport's Active Travel Emergency Fund. These proposals will aid active and healthy travel, which forms part of the response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, and the Council is seeking feedback on these which aim to: 1) Make walking and cycling safer for everyone 2) Make local shops, schools and employment easier to get to by walking and cycling 3) Provide more choice for travelling in Witney.

Specifically, the proposals comprise of the following measures: a) introduce three distinct 20mph speed limits covering: the 'Cogges' area, an area in the North-east (roads approximately bounded by the A4095 Woodstock Road & Jubilee Way), and an area in the town centre (roads approximately bounded by the A415 Ducklington Lane, Welch Way & Witan Way), b) convert existing crossings to Toucans (for use by pedestrians & pedal cyclists) on Oxford Hill & Tower Hill, and c) introduce sections of un-segregated shared-used cycle paths on: Tower Hill, at the Ducklington Lane roundabout, Witan Way & Oxford Hill.

Additionally - an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order covering the removal of a 15 metre section of parking on Corn Street (as show on Active Travel Plan 1) is also being considered as part of the scheme and your views on this would help shape the details of this.

In light of this, please find the following consultation documents attached:

- Public Notice,
- Statement of Reasons,
- Consultation Plans,
- Draft Traffic Regulation Order.

The proposed Traffic Regulation Orders are due to be advertised in the Witney Gazette newspaper today; Wednesday 20th January 2021, and details are also available to view on the Councils consultation pages at the address below:

<https://consultations.oxfordshire.gov.uk/consult.ti/WitneyActiveTravel/consultationHome>

As stated on the notice, any objections or other representations on the proposal should be submitted by **Friday 12th February 2021**.

Kind Regards,

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