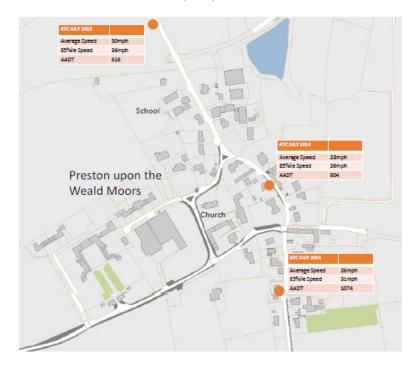
Statement of Reasons

TELFORD AND WREKIN COUNCIL PRESTON UPON THE WEALD MOORS (SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2017

The Council has worked closely with local Councillors and residents groups to develop proposals for a village traffic calming scheme. Funding for the scheme was secured through the planning process from a residential housing application on land opposite the church.

A consultation exercise was undertaken in October 2016 at the local primary school and through letter drops to residents. Residents were able to view and comment on a number of proposals to encourage slower speeds through the village and this included the introduction of a 20mph speed limit.



Speed surveys (see above) indicate that the existing vehicle speeds support the introduction of a 20mph speed limit on the loop road around the church and are close to the levels recommended for the introduction of a slower speed limit in the Department for Transport guidance (Circular 01/13 Setting Local Speed Limits).

Speed surveys on the Preston to Humber Road indicate that the 20mph speed limit will need to be supported by traffic calming features for the 20mph speed limit to be adhered to by vehicles. Traffic calming features will also be introduced on the Wappenshall Road.

It is expected that the traffic calming features will consist of featured gateways, granite sett or imprinted overrun areas and speed indicator devices. The overrun areas will accommodate use by larger agricultural vehicles. A small section of 30mph speed limit is included in the Order for administration purposes only and there are no plan to alter the extent of the 30mph speed limit through Moorhead and Horton.

The introduction of the 20mph speed limit will help to:-

- avoid danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising, or
- for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians), or
- for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs

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