

Cabinet – 9 December 2020

Petition: Improve road safety on Doe Bank Lane

Recommendations of the Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Summary of report

The Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee considered a petition in regard to improving road safety on Doe Bank Lane which had received more than 500 signatures.

This report presents the comments and recommendations from the Economy and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

The Committee considered a petition calling for the Council to consider improved road safety measures following community concern over excessive speeding and a recent road traffic collision. Members considered the comments and concerns from the Lead Petitioner. There were community concerns that without preventative action, Doe Bank Lane would experience further incidences of dangerous driving and excessive speeding.

The Head of Highways and Transport confirmed that the Doe Bank Lane is classed as a local distributor road, connecting Bridle Lane to Queslett Road in the Pheasey Ward. It was noted that 68 properties were located at the south eastern end of the road, located between the junction with Queslett Road and Doe Bank Wood and a 20mph speed limit extends for the length of this residential section. There is a 30 mph speed limit from Doe Bank Woods to the junction with Bridle Lane.

The Committee noted speed data from 2019 which indicated an average speed of 26mph inside the 20mph speed limit. However, the Council has agreed to install additional repeater signage throughout the length of Doe Bank Lane and Bridle Lane to reinforce surrounding speed limits.

The wider area including Doe Bank Lane and Bridle Lane had also been included as part of the Community Health and Safety Programme (CHSP). All proposed community schemes would be assessed as part of the Road Safety Review due to be undertaken in early 2021.

A lengthy discussion commenced on the petition and approaches to alleviate community concerns about dangerous driving and excess speeding. The Committee welcomed the Council's commitment to install additional repeater signage and consider further measures as part of a borough road safety review. As part of a wider scrutiny review, a Member requested that a report on the annual review of road safety is considered prior to Cabinet consideration.

The Committee thanked petitioners and the wider community for highlighting their concerns.

The Committee Resolved:

1. That, the Cabinet:

- a. Note the installation of additional repeater signage throughout the length of Doe Bank Lane and Bridle Lane to reinforce both the 20mph speed limit and the adjoining 30mph speed limit as part of the 2020/21 minor highway works programme.**
- b) Further engineering works on Doe Bank Lane be considered as part of the annual borough wide road safety review.**

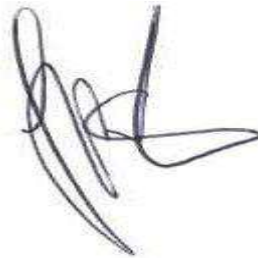
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