Scrutiny Commission for Rural Communities 2 November 2010

Recommendation to the Cabinet Member for Housing, Neighbourhoods & Planning and the Network Team Manager

Item	Recommendation	Response from the Cabinet Member for Housing, Neighbourhoods and Planning
Speed Limits in Rural Areas	The Cabinet Member for Housing, Neighbourhoods and Planning is recommended that 20mph speed limits are introduced around rural schools.	I've given this proposal due consideration and, whilst officers are unsupportive of this implementation, I do feel, on balance, it's a worthwhile recommendation to support.
		In supporting this recommendation however I do recognise the argument against, and in particular I have reservations regarding the effectiveness of legislation attempting to reduce the average speed of vehicles outside rural schools from what, according to the official speed surveys, appears to be particularly low already.
		I hope to be reassured, in future speed surveys after implementation perhaps, that the action recommended by the SCRC has been worthwhile.

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