

# Collingham with Linton Parish Council

## Notes from 20 MPH Public Meeting

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March

**Present: Parish Cllrs:** Philip Skelton (Chair) S Hodges (SH) Sharon Green (SG), Debbie Forsyth-Conroy, (DFC), Diana Lee (DL). **Ward Cllrs:** Matthew Robinson (MR), Ryan Stephenson (RS), Sam Firth (SF)  
**Leeds City Council:** Gary Bartlett (GB). **Residents:** 30

**In Attendance:** T Wormley

### 1 – Introduction

Gary Bartlett (GB) outlined the proposals for the 20-mph zones. The consultation period commenced on 8<sup>th</sup> March and will conclude on the 8<sup>th</sup> April. Comments should be sent to: Mr J Levine at [joel.levine@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:joel.levine@leeds.gov.uk)

GB explained that LCC are rolling out 20-mph zones beyond schools, where they were initially instigated. Zones can be implemented without the need for traffic calming measures ie speed bumps etc.

### 2 – Parish Council (PC) Concerns

The current plan for Collingham is for the 20-mph limit to be restricted to the area outside the school. The 30mph limit will remain unchanged on the rest of the road. Whilst the PC support the 20 mph-zones, they and a number of residents, objected to this position, suggesting that the 20-mph limit should be extended further along Harewood Road up to the junction with the A58.

The PC also expressed concerns about small cul-de-sacs displaying large signs on entry. GB explained that this is required to effectively create a 20-mph zone through-out the area.

### 3 – Resident Concerns

A number of residents expressed concerns about the restriction of the 20-mph speed limit to the area outside the school. GB explained that it is difficult to enforce a 20-mph zone on a fast road like the A659. Residents were unhappy about this position, arguing that a school located on a fast 'A' road is thus penalised, whereas schools on quieter 'B' roads can maintain an extensive 20-mph limit.

Residents also expressed concerns about unnecessary sign cluttering on small streets and cul-de-sacs.

Suggestions from residents included widening the footpath on Harewood road and the use of chicanes to slow traffic down.

### 4 – HGV's on Harewood Road

Concerns were raised both by residents and the PC about the continued threat of HGV vehicles using Harewood Road. Ward Cllrs and the PC have been campaigning for several years to try and reduce or ban HGV's on Harewood Road. Cllr Robinson explained that the current threshold of vehicles for a ban is 10%. Collingham is around 6.5. GB agreed to revisit this issue as he was under the impression that the Collingham threshold was around 2.5.

**Conclusion**

Residents and the PC will be submitting their objections to the restricted 20-mph around the school and will be campaigning to have this extended up to the junction at the A58. They will also be objecting to sign cluttering on small roads and cul-de-sacs.