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Request for feedback on 20mph schemes - West Oxfordshire

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Good afternoon town and parish council clerks, and County Cllrs,

The implementation of the County Council's 20mph programme saw about 280 parish and town councils participating, and with the new limits in some cases now having been in place for three or more years we are keen to understand how they are working from a local perspective.

The very wide take up of the programme by local councils across Oxfordshire has supported the provision to provide a safer and more pleasant environment for all road users and residents.

We are now contacting all parish and town councils to seek your views on how the 20mph speed limits are working in your community, acknowledging that it will take time for a culture of lower speeds in our towns and villages to become the norm.

We would be very grateful to receive your comments on the following:

- Examples of roads / parts of your town and village where the 20mph limits are working well and why you consider this to be the case.

- Examples where you consider 20mph is not working as effectively or as hoped, and what you think is the cause of this and what might be required to make it more effective.

The County Council is also monitoring changes in the number of reported collisions and changes in traffic speeds. We would be happy to provide this information for roads in your area if of interest.

At the outset of the programme, it was also acknowledged that resources for providing traffic calming measures to help support the new lower limits was not possible through the 20mph programme, and would need to be funded locally through s106, CIL or other funding. This is still the case, but we would be very happy to support – by providing advice etc. – on possible measures should there be local funding opportunities.

Although there is no deadline for sending your observations, we would be grateful to receive any responses (by reply to this email) by the end of November.

Kind regards

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