

Minute

Development and Infrastructure Committee

Wednesday, 21 June 2023, 16:00.

Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Place, Kirkwall.



Present

Councillors David Dawson, Gillian Skuse, Graham A Bevan, P Lindsay Hall, Kristopher D Leask, W Leslie Manson, Raymond S Peace, James W Stockan, Owen Tierney, Duncan A Tullock and Heather N Woodbridge.

Clerk

- Hazel Flett, Service Manager (Governance).

In Attendance

- Hayley Green, Corporate Director for Neighbourhood Services and Infrastructure.
- Lorna Richardson, Head of Neighbourhood Services.
- Shonagh Merriman, Service Manager (Corporate Finance).
- Karen Bevilacqua, Solicitor.

Declarations of Interest

- No declarations of interest were declared.

Apology

- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.

Chair

- Councillor David Dawson.

1. 20 mph Speed Limits at Isles Schools

After consideration of a report by the Corporate Director for Neighbourhood Services and Infrastructure, copies of which had been circulated, and after hearing a report from the Head of Neighbourhood Services, the Committee:

Noted:

1.1. That, on 7 December 2021, the Council considered a Notice of Motion regarding the installation of a 20 mph zone or speed limit on the roads in the vicinity of each of those schools in Orkney that still did not have one, and thereafter resolved:

- To install, as soon as practicable but no later than the end of 2023, a 20 mph zone or speed limit on the roads in the vicinity of each of those schools in Orkney that still did not have one.

1.2. That one letter of objection, from a Flotta resident, a summary of which was attached as Appendix 1 to the report by the Corporate Director for Neighbourhood Services and Infrastructure, was received during the consultation process in respect of the proposal referred to at paragraph 1.1 above.

1.3. The proposed extents of the variable 20 mph speed limit at Flotta Primary School, as shown on the drawing attached as Appendix 2 to the report by the Corporate Director for Neighbourhood Services and Infrastructure.

1.4. That traffic counts were carried out in February 2022, which indicated that the 85 percentile speed approaching Flotta Primary School from the west was 29.8 mph and 34.1 mph when approaching from the east.

Councillor David Dawson moved that:

- Mandatory, variable 20 mph speed limits be introduced at all island schools, in accordance with the Notice of Motion approved by Council on 7 December 2021.
- The Corporate Director of Neighbourhood Services and Infrastructure make the appropriate Traffic Regulation Order, incorporating the proposal referred to above.

On receiving no seconder, his motion fell.

On the motion of Councillor Kristopher D Leask, seconded by Councillor W Leslie Manson, the Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

1.5. That the Council should not make a Traffic Regulation Order introducing variable 20mph speed limits at island schools.

The Committee resolved to **recommend to the Council:**

1.6. That the Corporate Director for Neighbourhood Services and Infrastructure should submit a report, to the Development and Infrastructure Committee, outlining options for the budget currently allocated towards the provision of variable 20mph speed limits at island schools.

2. Conclusion of Meeting

At 16:20 the Chair declared the meeting concluded.

Signed: David Dawson.