

SHEFFIELD CITY COUNCIL

INDIVIDUAL CABINET MEMBER DECISION RECORD

The following decision was taken on 16 October 2017 by the Cabinet Member for Transport and Sustainability.

Date notified to all members: Wednesday 18 October 2017

The end of the call-in period is 4:00 pm on Tuesday 24 October 2017

Unless called-in, the decision can be implemented from Wednesday 25 October 2017

1. **TITLE**

Sheffield 20mph Speed Limit Strategy: Responses to a Proposal to Introduce a 20mph Speed Limit in Sheffield City Centre

2. **DECISION TAKEN**

(i) Make the Sheffield City Centre 20mph Speed Limit Order in accordance with the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and inform the objectors accordingly; and

(ii) submit a proposal to affect the necessary works to introduce the proposed 20mph speed limit in accordance with the Capital Gateway Process.

3. **Reasons For Decision**

Reducing the speed of traffic in residential areas will, in the long term, reduce the number and severity of accidents, reduce the fear of accidents, encourage sustainable modes of travel and contribute towards the creation of a more pleasant, cohesive environment.

A 20mph speed will also make the City Centre a more attractive place to visit, thus enhancing the regeneration of the central area.

The introduction of a 20mph speed limit in the City Centre would be in-keeping with the City's approved 20mph Speed Limit Strategy. The long term objective of the Sheffield City Council's 20mph Strategy is to establish 20mph as the maximum reasonable speed in all suitable residential areas of Sheffield. This strategy is currently being rolled out across the City and it follows that a city centre 20mph limit will link in with this and improve road safety in the central area.

4. **Alternatives Considered And Rejected**

Those objections that relate to the principle of introducing sign-only 20mph speed limits are effectively objections to the approved Sheffield 20mph Speed Limit Strategy. As such, no alternative options have been considered.

5. **Any Interest Declared or Dispensation Granted**

None

6. **Respective Director Responsible for Implementation**

Executive Director, Place

7. **Relevant Scrutiny Committee If Decision Called In**

Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee