APPENDIX C Objections

1)	I would like to register my objection to the above. I completely agree that this should be a requirement close to schools and built up areas (outside shops etc) This is absolutely not necessary for the remainder of roads and quite frankly almost an impossible task. I have noted that Springwood Lane is not included until you get to the top. Why?? This Lane is often where drivers race up the road. Are you saying it is ok to drive up that road at speed and then you expect drivers to go at 20mph?? Maybe Sheffield City Council should try and improve the road surface in this area and that way we would not have to avoid potholes etc. This can be dangerous!! Quite honestly it is time SCC invested in this area - but not on this subject.
2)	The currant 20mph areas are being ignored in High Green. I know people who live on Wortley road and the say there are always cars going past at well over 20mph. Sticking to 20mph will increase fuel consumption and pollution due to having to use lower gears. 30mph has worked for many years why change it know.
3)	I do not agree with the speed reduction in High Green (or in any areas) actually. A well highlighted 20 mph near every school across the UK would be a better option that everyone understands & can follow. To sway me away from this decision, it would have been helpful to know the stats on: • how many accidents there have been in the High Green area identified? • And of those accidents, what would have been the outcome at 20mph rather than 30mph It feels like a lot of cost is going into a scheme that will be difficult to police & manage. The signage needs to be crystal clear for drivers if this is pursued. Broad brush, I feel that this will penalise the majority of the public that drive sensitively anyway & will not deal with the reckless speeding that is witnessed at times of others. Budgets are tight but the lack of policing on the street to deal with petty/violent/serious crime would be much more valuable to me than stopping and fining a driver for driving at 30mpy on a 20mph road
4)	I find this proposal frankly ridiculous. We have speeding bikes at over 50-60 MPH and people parking on double yellow lines but zero action. Never see any traffic enforcement officers but want to propose a lazy solution to the problem.

Under freedom of information can you give me the following please

How many people received a parking ticket in High Green for double yellow Line infringements in the last 12 months.

How many accidents due to excessive speeding have been documented?

Once you can show me progress on current law enforcement I would be keen to help

- 5) I wanting to object to the proposal of making High Green 20 mph
- I object to the imposing of a blanket speed limit to the whole of High Green. It is totally over the top and in many areas totally unnecessary. Just studying the map, you can see how many cul-de-sacs there are in the area, which means you can't travel at any speed. Other roads are too narrow or congested with parked vehicles to enable you to travel at speed. Other issues include the state of the roads around here. Since the Council sold responsibility for road maintenance to Amey, the state of the roads is disgusting. Amey clearly use the cheapest materials available which the means the road surface rapidly degrades, which, in turn, means there is a self imposed 20mph speed limit so you don't damage your car!

I have no objection to speed limits around schools when children are arriving or leaving school. Other than that, there is no need for blanket speed limits. Most reasonable drivers stick to the exsisting speed limits anyway. As usual, it's the irresponsible drivers who cause the problems - but there is never any action taken against theses people.

Finally, any speed limits are only as good as the enforcement action taken when people break the speed limits. You only have to witness the speed some drivers drive at on Wortley Road -which already has a 20mph speed limit- to realise this.

7) I am writing to express my concern at the proposed 20mph speed limit in the High Green area of Sheffield.

High Green has long been plagued by anti-social behaviour of various types including motorbike and scooter riding youths who do not have any regard for the neighbourhood or its residents, the vehicles used display no licence plates and in most cases there are no helmets used.

The 20mph speed limit will not deter these individuals but will only make it a safer place for them to ride with even less regard to the tax paying motorist in the hope that the legitimate cars on the road will be travelling slower to make them safer.

The issue is not the speed in the area its the lack of Policing as deterrent to these law breakers, in reducing the speed limit to 20MPH in High Green I see it as an attempt to punish the law abiding motorist with fines that will be bought in and enforced with mobile camera and fixed ones as time goes on.

I would imagine this is going to be rolled out area by area across Sheffield to further congest our already choked city to reduce it further to a standstill for s reason best known to the Sheffield City Council hierarcy.

I would suggest rather than fining the already stretched motorist, the money spent on signs, cameras and the enforcement thereof would will be better deployed in Policing and catching people who have no regard for the laws of the land rather than a continued punitive measures on oppressing car owners.

8) I am writing to register my objection (for all the good it will probably do) to a 20 mph speed limit in High Green.

I would like to suggest that before this idea is considered, you take steps to prevent

- Pavement parking
- Kids on "off road" bikes using pavements

Both of which would make it safer when trying to get around in the village. I run/walk a LOT and am frequently unable to use the pavement because vehicles are parked on there. The police aren't interested and, when I have asked for help from the council I have been told there's no money & to call the police.

BUT YOU HAVE MONEY FOR ROAD SIGNS/SPEED BUMPS?

Quite often I'm unable to leave my property (as a pedestrian) or put my bins out. Services I actually PAY FOR.

I'm tired of having to step out into the road at busy junctions because I can't get by on the pavement. And I'm tired of being yelled at/almost hit by cyclists/motorcyclists - on the pavements.

Do you actually think a speed limit sign will stop the boy racers on off road vehicles/Corsas/Fiestas etc who don't obey the speed limits now?

You could immediately reduce the risk of injury to people trying to walk/run around the village by looking at the above measures. Double yellow lines are usually observed and have to be cheaper than this silly idea.

I have noticed that, wherever double yellow lines are put, people tend to make adjustments to their houses, paving off their front yard, extending their driveway etc, taking cars off the road in order to avoid a fine. That has to be a good idea, surely?

Finally, you'd be hard pressed to actually achieve 20 mph in most of the village, because of double parking. Or horses.

9) I oppose the proposed 20mph speed limit in High Green.

If the council only intend to have the speeds indicated by "traffic signs and road markings only" will no real enforcement supported by fixed speed cameras on the main roads, it will achieve absolutely nothing. Speeding is already rife, particularly down Greengate Lane.

There have been many close calls down this road, one which is a bus route (though the frequency and routes of said buses is another matter entirely, but, a bus route nonetheless), parked cars on the road from local residence,

convenience shops and a primary school. Just this summer in the late hours of the 25th June, several cars were significantly damaged on Greengate Lane as a result of a speeding car at midnight (I'm sure you could verify with police and get the log number for further as they had attended the scene).

What the town needs is a reasonable number of fixed speed cameras to enforce the current 30mph speeds. It is entirely pointless using or relying upon police who would only attend during the week and daytime hours rather than during the evenings and weekends when speeding is particularly prevalent and problematic. Furthermore just having a token speed camera won't be of any value either as motorists will simply so down for it and speed up again once it's passed.

Unless the council are proactive and enforce a speed limit then having signs and markings up for 20mph will have zero no impact on drivers who are already flouting the rules as there's no consequences of their actions.

I hope you and your team will give some serious and genuine consideration to speed cameras as an alternative approach. Perhaps the risk of a financial penalty and possible points on drivers licenses they may think twice and drive appropriately.

10) I am writing to register my OBJECTION to High Green being added to the 20mph block area.

The ONLY time we have an issue with rogue motorcycles is in the small hours of the night. NOT during the day or evening. Typically, when the police are tied up in other areas of the city is when we have a problem - reducing the speed will have no effect on the people who commit road crimes. They don't stick to the roads - more often they ride over the grass as can be witnessed by the churned up grass!

I doubt the city will listen to the public - they never have before but let's see.

I object to the proposal. Buses and Police cars do not follow 20mph speed limits on the current 20mph roads anyway. In my opinion the people causing most the accidents will be going over the speed limit anyway. But I would love to see your data on how you have come to the following conclusions.

- 11) I wish to object to the proposed 20 mph limit in the High Green area of Sheffield.
 - 1. Who is going to pay for the new road signs?
 - 2. Who is going to enforce the 20 mph speed limit as the present 30 mph speed limit is not enforced now?
 - 3. Pollution levels locally will be raised due to the proposed 20 mph limit.
 - 4. Do not give the only bus service we have to High Green another excuse to stop running completely.
- 12) I OBJECT to this proposal it's ridiculous. I can see the need for speed restrictions outside schools but to place a blanket 20mph speed limit is totally unnecessary. It's not policeable and I would suggest that most residents would be against any blanket ban. Please think again

13	The proposal of 20 mph around high green is silly and not workable. It's also against government proposals. Sheffield council always seem to be against motorists. They put things in place which always make things worse. In certain parts of Sheffield you have one break down and the whole city gets grid locked. Good planning Also look at Wales. They've put in the 20 mph speed limit in place. Look at how popular that is. It's a real vote loser. All those objections. Even more than how many voted for labour.
14)	I object to the 20mph restrictions intended for High Green. As stated in many studies the negatives outweigh the positives greatly and actually do very little to stopping accidents. The 20mph zones also have a larger impact on the environment with increased co2 emissions. The 20mph we currently have are largely ignored including by our emergency service vehicles and public transport. The cost of implementing 20mph zones is obscene and are generally ignored and not policed. Surely the money would be much better spent on tackling the illegal and unsafe parking and putting safe crossings in around the local schools. It seems very strange that money could be found for something like the 20mph zones but no money can be found to be spent on the lacking services in our local areas.
15)	I don't think that a reduction to 20mph is feasible so I object. Driver education and better policing of the existing 30mph would be more beneficial in my opinion. Yours faithfully,
16)	I strongly object to this proposal, it's just another waste of money and resources for SCC, that we are all contributing to. Instead spend the money on surfacing the carriageways around High Green all of which are in a shocking state.
17)	I am emailing you to Object to you lowering the speed limit to 20mph in all of High Green it is not necessary especially when it is snowing you need to keep your speed up because if it was 20mph you would have a lot of problems with people trying to drive the road's and getting stuck in it and it'd going to cause more problem's than it is going to cause accidents people crashing.
18)	It does not appear that Greengate Lane has been included in the 20mph proposed area Greengate Lane is used as a racetrack and needs some traffic control I would also like to see speed bumps the likes of wortley road outside the Lidle but 20mph would be a good start please consider this as it would be a sensible measure Thank you Mr and Mrs finch 60 Greengate Lane
19)	I am emailing to object strongly about the proposal. It's yet another wasted money proposal. Speed bumps ruin cars even at very slow speeds and you risk drivers speeding outside of cameras installed so how will it be policed? Responsible drivers already drive safely. In an area where investment is needed in so many areas this feels like another money making scheme.

For example traffic lights have been needed at the junction where the Acorn pub is as there have been numerous accidents there same as the junction out of High green onto the A61.

You risk increasing traffic volume at slow speeds building emissions! I can't write how much I object to this ridiculous proposal.

I've driven for almost 40 years without any problems, so what's changed?

Proposed/planned introduction of a 20 mph area of high green Sheffield, as all it is is another way to start to lock people down and start of the "15 minuet cities" and as I understand it it will make very little difference to as you say "lower speeds reduce severity of injuries for anyone involved in a collision" yes it will make a slight outcome to some but not all accidents, especially pedestrian/cyclists which overall is a good thing.

As for the 20mph areas being indicated by signage only !! is not going to govern itself and WILL allow the following of cctv/speed enforcement cameras at a later date to be placed around the area to enforce the 20 mph zones hence resulting in fines etc payable to the council/government to increase their revenue another way of taking more money off already struggling people, also slower moving vehicles causes more congestion, more emissions being released with stood vehicles and lower gears being used to maintain lower speeds releasing more emissions so therefore also not helping the environment.

So to conclude I DO NOT CONSENT TO THE ABOVE SCHEME as I just see this as a way of restricting peoples movement and creating more environmental issues

I am writing to formally raise objection to Sheffield City Council's proposal to introduce a 20mph speed limit in the High Green area. On the letter I have received from yourselves, the primary reasons given for this change being introduced are to reduce severity and likelihood of collisions, and to make pedestrians and cyclists feel more safe. Whilst there is likely some merit to this, in my mind this is merely addressing a symptom of the problem and not the cause.

As the Council is no doubt aware, the roads throughout High Green are consistently congested with cars parked on either side of the road, thus funnelling vehicles into narrower corridors and particularly increasing the likelihood of both head-on collisions, and drivers colliding with pedestrians they could not see due to visual obfuscation behind parked vehicles. Incidences of vehicles parked illegally (i.e. directly beside junctions) are also a daily occurrence in the area.

This being the case, would the most sensible long-term solution not be the creation of more publicly-available space on which to park vehicles? This would reduce incidences of unsafe parking and thus make the roads more safe to drive on, as well as reducing risk for pedestrians crossing roads (as clearer sight lines for drivers and cyclists will improve safety during crossing) or cyclists being passed by moving vehicles (as there would be more room to safely pass cyclists). Having lived in the area for the past year, I could personally point out several areas of 'wasteland' within 300 meters of my home that I would be more than happy to be paved over for these purposes.

In summary, imposing limitations upon the speeds at which we are legally permitted to drive through the local area does not, in my mind, adequately address the primary issues we are currently experiencing on the roads throughout High Green.

22)	Just a quick email to object the new proposed speed limit area in my area of High Green. Think there are far more useful things the money for signs etc. Could be spent on. Absolute waste of time. How about stop spending so much money on housing illegal im in our pubs and hotels. Sooner Labour council leave the better.
23)	I have just seen the map of the proposed 20mph speed restrictions for High Green. I am firmly of the opinion that Greengate Lane should be inclusive of these plans, as some people think this road is there own personal race track, there are schools shops and elderly residents on this road and the speeders are a danger. I have reported them to the police on several occasions, and they advise taking it up with the council, and asking for speed bumps or other traffic restrictions on here.
24)	I would like to object to the proposal of a 20mph speed limit all over the area of High Green. The roads around the school areas and shopping areas are always very busy at the relevant times anyway so vehicles will not be able to get to the speed limit let alone break it and most accidents occur in these areas when traffic is moving slowly due to parked cars blocking the roads both for vehicles and pedestrians. This proposal is a waste of money and resources in the area as not many people will adhere to it anyway. I think a better idea is to introduce more parking restrictions in busy areas in order that traffic can move more freely causing less tension and stress for everyone concerned. I believe council money could be put to better use than introducing more speed limits adding to congestion.
25)	Just received this letter showing the proposed 20mph limit in High Green. Generally speaking I think this is a waste of time and money but doubt any number of objections will change minds. I live on Springwood Lane which curiously has been left out of this plan. Springwood Lane is notorious hereabouts for speeding. By that I mean serious speeding. Residents have complained on many occasions to local councilors and the police to no end. Recently a token 30mph warning light has been attached to a lamp post (beyond the houses which makes no sense) which is roundly ignored. If you are to proceed with yet more regulation why not take the opportunity to include Springwood Lane as leaving it out will no doubt invite yet more speeding motorists. Common sense perhaps?

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