

PROPOSED 40mph SPEED LIMIT

KIRKNEWTON

STATEMENT OF REASONS

Planning condition seven of approval 0322/MS/19 required the developer to relocate the existing 30mph road markings to a new location unless otherwise agreed in writing by the planning authority.

After discussions with the council road safety team and site inspections of the new junction it was identified that there was a possibility of rear shunts due to restricted forward visibility of right turning traffic into the site for other westbound vehicles approaching the village. Forward visibility was measured at 71m, fractionally below the stopping distance for the speed limit of the road. Rather than extend the 30mph limit as there is no street lighting covering the new access and with no further development planned it was agreed to the introduction of a 40mph buffer zone.

The proposal is to introduce a mandatory 40mph speed limit for a distance of 200m. The introduction of this speed limit reduction will help reduce approaching traffic speed and give time to see traffic movements at the new junction.

SCHEDULE 1

Length of roads in Kirknewton subject to a speed limit of 40 miles per hour

C27	From 63m or thereby west of the extended west kerbline of Hillhouse Wynd westward for 200m.
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