

Council: Tuesday, 21 January 2014

Non-Executive Business Item: Councillor Jack Cohen

20mph speed restrictions

This Council notes a large number of evaluation studies have demonstrated a link between the introduction of 20mph zones/ 20mph limits and a subsequent reduction in casualties. The size of the reductions and the consistency of results over a wide number of areas are further evidence for this link.

As well as road safety benefits, Council notes the contribution that 20mph zones /20mph limits can have in encouraging more physical activity, such as walking and cycling, by contributing towards a safer environment. The money spent on the schemes can also greatly improve the character of a residential area and quality of life of the residents.

Council therefore requests that the Cabinet Member with responsibility for traffic management brings proposals, strategies, and recommendations which will increase the number of roads subject to 20mph speed restrictions across the Borough to a future meeting of Cabinet.

Under Council Procedure Rule, Section 1, Standing Order 23.5: if my item is not dealt with by the end of the meeting I ask that it be voted upon at the Council meeting.