

**BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL PROPOSES TO EXTEND THE 30MPH SPEED LIMIT
ON A600 HIGH ROAD, COTTON END**

Reason for the proposal: The proposal forms part of a planning condition following approval to the construction of a new school in Cotton End. Significant infrastructure improvements along the A600 High Road linking Shortstown with Cotton End will take place. The reduced speed limit is intended to improve road safety, particularly for vulnerable road users. The speed limit will be enforced through the use of average speed cameras.

Effect of the Order:

A600 High Road – To introduce a 30mph speed limit over the entire length/section of road which links Shortstown to Cotton End (approximately 147 metres south of the junction with Southcote, Shortstown to a point approximately 116 metres north-west of the north facing boundary to property no.23 High Road, Cotton End).

PLEASE NOTE:

The proposed speed limit will supersede the existing national speed limit and 40mph speed limit over its respective length. In addition to this, the proposed 30mph speed limit will be enforced through the use of average speed cameras.

To revoke the following Order and consolidate the speed limits therein to the new Order:

Bedford Borough Council (20mph, 30mph and 40mph Speed Limits) (The Parish of Eastcotts, Bedfordshire) Order 2015

Further Details of the proposed Order, a plan and a statement of reasons for proposing to make the Order may be examined during normal office hours at Borough Hall, Cauldwell Street, Bedford. Documents can also be viewed on our website at www.bedford.gov.uk/tro. These details will be placed on deposit until 6 weeks after the Order is made or until it is decided not to continue with the proposal. For further information, contact Ron Yuen on 01234 718593.

Objections should be sent in writing to Highway Consultations, Borough Hall, Cauldwell Street, Bedford, MK42 9AP or by email to highway.consultations@bedford.gov.uk stating the grounds on which they are made by 18th January 2018.

Order Title if made: Bedford Borough Council (20mph, 30mph and 40mph Speed Limits) (The Parish of Eastcotts, Bedford) Order 2018

Dated: 14th December 2017

Borough Hall
Cauldwell Street
Bedford MK42 9AP

Craig Austin
Director of Environment

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
(20MPH, 30MPH AND 40MPH SPEED LIMITS)
(THE PARISH OF EASTCOTTS, BEDFORD) ORDER 2018

Bedford Borough Council, in exercise of its powers under Sections 82(2), 83(2), 84(1) and 84(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police for Bedfordshire in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act hereby makes the following Order:-

1. No person shall drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 20 miles per hour on any length of road specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.
2. No person shall drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 30 miles per hour on any length of road specified in Schedule 2 to this Order.
3. No person shall drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on any length of road specified in Schedule 3 to this Order.
4. The lengths of road specified in Schedule 2 to the Order shall become restricted roads for the purposes of Section 81 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984
5. Nothing in Articles 1 to 4 of this Order shall render it unlawful to cause or permit any vehicle to exceed the speed limit detailed within the Schedule to this Order for the provision to have effect as if no speed limit were imposed in relation to a vehicle used for emergency, naval, military or air force purposes while being driven by a person for the time being subject to the orders of a member of the armed forces or the Crown on an occasion when –
 - (a) the person driving the vehicle is a member of the special force; and
 - (b) the vehicle is being driven –
 - (i) in response, or for practice in responding, to a national security emergency by a person who has been trained in driving vehicles at high speeds; or
 - (ii) for the purpose of training a person in driving vehicles at high speeds
 - (iii) by an emergency response unit when used in connection on official duty which includes ambulance, fire and police services
6. From the date that this Order comes into operation, the following Orders shall be revoked:

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL (20MPH, 30MPH AND 40MPH SPEED LIMITS) (THE PARISH OF EASTCOTTS, BEDFORDSHIRE) ORDER 2015
7. This Order may be cited as the "Bedford Borough Council (20mph, 30mph and 40mph Speed Limits) (The Parish of Eastcotts, Bedford) Order 2018" and shall come into operation on the ** day of *** 2018

The COMMON SEAL of the
BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
was hereunto affixed
this ** day of *** 2018
in the presence of:

Director of Environment

Assistant Chief Executive (Governance and Law) and Solicitor to the Council

AUTHORITY FOR EXECUTION		
COUNCIL/COMMITTEE	MINUTE No.	DATE
DELEGATED POWER	By whom executed DOE	DATE
	OFFICERS INITIALS	DATE
ORIGINATED AND CHECKED BY	JS	
APPROVED BY		

SCHEDULE 1
In the Parish of Eastcotts
Roads to which a 20mph speed limit shall apply.

Road	Village	Length
Central Avenue	Shortstown	The entire length
Stirling Road	Shortstown	The entire length
Canberra Road	Shortstown	The entire length
Lancaster Road	Shortstown	The entire length
Wellington Road	Shortstown	The entire length
Blenheim Road	Shortstown	The entire length
Lincoln Road	Shortstown	The entire length
Halifax Road	Shortstown	The entire length
Whitley Road	Shortstown	The entire length
Bell's Close	Shortstown	The entire length
Sopwith Way	Shortstown	The entire length
Brancker Avenue	Shortstown	The entire length
Thompson Avenue	Shortstown	The entire length
Scott Avenue	Shortstown	The entire length
Greycote	Shortstown	The entire length
North Drive	Shortstown	The entire length
South Drive	Shortstown	The entire length
Eastcote	Shortstown	The entire length
East Square	Shortstown	The entire length
Victor Close	Shortstown	The entire length
Hunter Close	Shortstown	The entire length
Brabazon Close	Shortstown	The entire length
Sunderland Place	Shortstown	The entire length
Shorts Avenue	Shortstown	The entire length
Comet Drive	Shortstown	The entire length
De Havilland Avenue	Shortstown	The entire length
Blackburn Close	Shortstown	The entire length
Westwood Close	Shortstown	The entire length
Quantrelle Court	Shortstown	The entire length
Compass Drive	Shortstown	The entire length
Concorde Close	Shortstown	The entire length
The Crescent	Shortstown	The entire length
Mitchell Court	Shortstown	The entire length

SCHEDULE 2
In the Parish of Eastcotts
Roads to which a 30mph speed limit shall apply.

Road	Village	Length
The Highway / Tinkers Hill	Shortstown	From its junction with Southcote in a generally northerly direction to a point in line with the rear property boundary of No.4 Compass Drive
Carmicheal Drive	Shortstown	The entire length
A600 High Road	Cotton End / Shortstown	From a point 73 metres south-east of the common boundary of property no's 159 & 161 High Road, Cotton End in a most northern direction to its junction with Southcote, Shortstown
Hermitage Gardens	Cotton End	The entire length
Manor Way	Cotton End	The entire length
Hall Way	Cotton End	The entire length
Wood Lane	Cotton End	The entire length
Bunkers Drive	Cotton End	The entire length
Meeting Close	Cotton End	The entire length
Trevor Close	Cotton End	The entire length
Bell Lane	Cotton End	The entire length
Trow Close	Cotton End	The entire length
Church lane	Cardington	The entire length
Chapel Lane	Cardington	The entire length
Holm Oak Green	Cardington	The entire length
The Green	Cardington	The entire length
Yeomans Gate	Cardington	The entire length
Howard Close	Cardington	The entire length
Cople Road	Cardington	From its junction with Bedford Road in a north-easterly direction for a distance approximately 708 metres
Bedford Road	Cardington	From its junction with Cople Road in a north-westerly direction for a distance approximately 460 metres
Southill Road	Cardington	From its junction with Bedford Road in a south-westerly direction and then a south-easterly direction for a distance approximately 666 metres.
Harrowden Lane	Cardington	From its junction with Bedford Road in a south-westerly direction for a distance approximately 497 metres

SCHEDULE 3
In the Parish of Eastcotts
Roads to which a 40mph speed limit shall apply.

Road	Village	Length
High Road / Tinkers Hill	Shortstown	From a point in line with the rear property boundary of No.4 Compass Drive in a generally northerly direction to a point 46 metres south-east of its roundabout junction with Cambridge Road and Harrowden Road
A600 High Road	Cotton End	From a point 73 metres south-east of the common boundary of property no's 159 & 161 High Road in a south easterly direction for a distance approximately 168 metres
Cople Road	Cardington	From a point 708 metres north-east of its junction with Bedford Road in a north-easterly direction for a distance approximately 770 metres
Bedford Road	Cardington	From a point approximately 460 metres north-west of its junction with Cople Road in a north-westerly direction for a distance approximately 180 metres
Southill Road	Cardington	From a point 666 metres south-east of its junction with Bedford Road in a south-easterly direction for a distance approximately 184 metres
Harrowden Road	Cardington	From a point 497 metres south-west of its junction with Bedford Road in a south-westerly direction for a distance approximately 180 metres



STATEMENT OF REASONS

The proposal forms part of a planning condition following approval to the construction of a new school in Cotton End. Significant infrastructure improvements along the A600 High Road linking Shortstown with Cotton End will take place which include the construction of a new path over the entire length of A600 High Road. The footpath is being constructed to encourage sustainable forms of transport (walking and cycling). The new school is anticipating the admission of 600 students residing in Shortstown. The infrastructure improvements are being made to accommodate the anticipated footfall. The reduced speed limit is intended to improve road safety, particularly for vulnerable road users such as pedestrians and cyclists. The footway will be shared use (walking and cycling). The speed limit will be enforced through the use of average speed cameras

As part of an administration process, Bedford Borough Council proposes to revoke the existing speed limit Orders and consolidate the speed limits along with the proposed speed limit changes into a new Legal Order for the Parish of Eastcotts.