



BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
(20MPH SPEED LIMITS) (DOVER CRESCENT AREA, BEDFORD)
ORDER 2022

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL (“the Council”) in exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 82(2), 83(2), 84(1) and 84(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended (“the Act”) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act, hereby make the following Order:-

- 1) This Order may be cited as the “Bedford Borough Council (20mph Speed Limits) (Dover Crescent Area, Bedford) Order 2022” and shall come into force on 1st August 2022.
- 2) As from the date upon which this Order comes into force the speed limits imposed by this Order shall supersede any previous speed limits on any length of road specified in Schedule 1 or Schedule 2 to this Order, and any part of any previous speed limit Order shall hereby be revoked insofar as it applies to any length of road specified in Schedule 1 or Schedule 2 to this Order.
- 3) As from the date upon which this Order comes into force any length of road specified in Schedule 1 or Schedule 2 to this Order shall cease to be a restricted road for the purposes of Section 81 of the Act.
- 4) No person shall drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 20 miles per hour on any length of road specified in Schedule 1 or Schedule 2 to this Order.
- 5) No speed limit imposed by this Order applies to vehicles falling within Regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011 when used in accordance with Regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

SCHEDULE 1

A 20mph speed limit shall apply over the entire length of each of the following roads in Bedford:

Dover Crescent	Tamworth Road
Colchester Way	Clare Road
Bewcastle Close	Farnham Way
Newark Avenue	Mitford Close
Taunton Close	Eastnor Gardens
Helmsley Avenue	Tintagel Walk
Devizes Avenue	Dunster Gardens
Somerton Close	

SCHEDULE 2

A 20mph speed limit shall apply over the following length of road:

Wentworth Drive, Bedford	That length of Wentworth Drive, Bedford which extends from Dover Crescent to the dead end at the front of no. 121 Wentworth Drive.
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**THE COMMON SEAL of the
BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL**

was hereunto affixed this

28th day of July 2022

in the presence of:

Authorised Signatory

AUTHORITY FOR EXECUTION		
COUNCIL/COMMITTEE	MINUTE No.	DATE
DELEGATED POWER	By whom executed ENVIRONMENT	26/07/2022
	OFFICERS INITIALS	DATE
ORIGINATED AND CHECKED BY	JH	26/07/2022
APPROVED BY	AP	26/07/2022



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STATEMENT OF REASONS

Bedford Borough Council has received a request from local Ward Councillors to reduce speed limits from 30mph to 20mph on some residential roads in the Dover Crescent area of Bedford.

The proposed 20mph speed limits are intended to help provide a safer road network for all highway users, including pedal cyclists, motor cyclists and pedestrians.