



**BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**(40MPH SPEED LIMITS) (MELCHBOURNE ROAD AND PERTENHALL ROAD,**  
**SWINESHEAD) 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 (40mph Speed Limits) (Melchbourne Road and Pertenhall Road, Knotting) Order 2022” and shall come into force on 1<sup>st</sup> 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 the Schedule to this Order, and any part of any previous speed limit Order shall hereby be revoked insofar as it relates to any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order.
- 3) As from the date upon which this Order comes into force no person shall drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order.
- 4) 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**

**Lengths of roads upon which a 40mph speed limit shall apply:**

<b>A</b>	<b>Melchbourne Road, Swineshead</b>
(i)	Extending from a point approximately 90 metres west of the centre of Green Lane, Swineshead for a distance of approximately 400 metres in a westerly direction.
<b>B</b>	<b>Pertenhall Road, Swineshead</b>
(i)	Extending from a point approximately 178 metres northeast of the centre of High Street, Swineshead for a distance of approximately 400 metres in an easterly direction.
(ii)	Extending from a point approximately 145 metres south of the centre of High Street, Swineshead for a distance of approximately 400 metres in a southerly direction.

**THE COMMON SEAL of the  
BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL**

was hereunto affixed this  
28<sup>th</sup> day of July 2022  
in the presence of:



*[Handwritten signature]*

Authorised Signatory

*AND R DOONE  
LAW LEADER (GPA)  
Solicitor*

AUTHORITY FOR EXECUTION		
COUNCIL/COMMITTEE	MINUTE No.	DATE
DELEGATED POWER	By whom executed <b>ENVIRONMENT</b>	27/07/2022
	OFFICERS INITIALS	DATE
ORIGINATED AND CHECKED BY	<b>JH</b>	27/07/2022
APPROVED BY	<b>AP</b>	27/07/2022



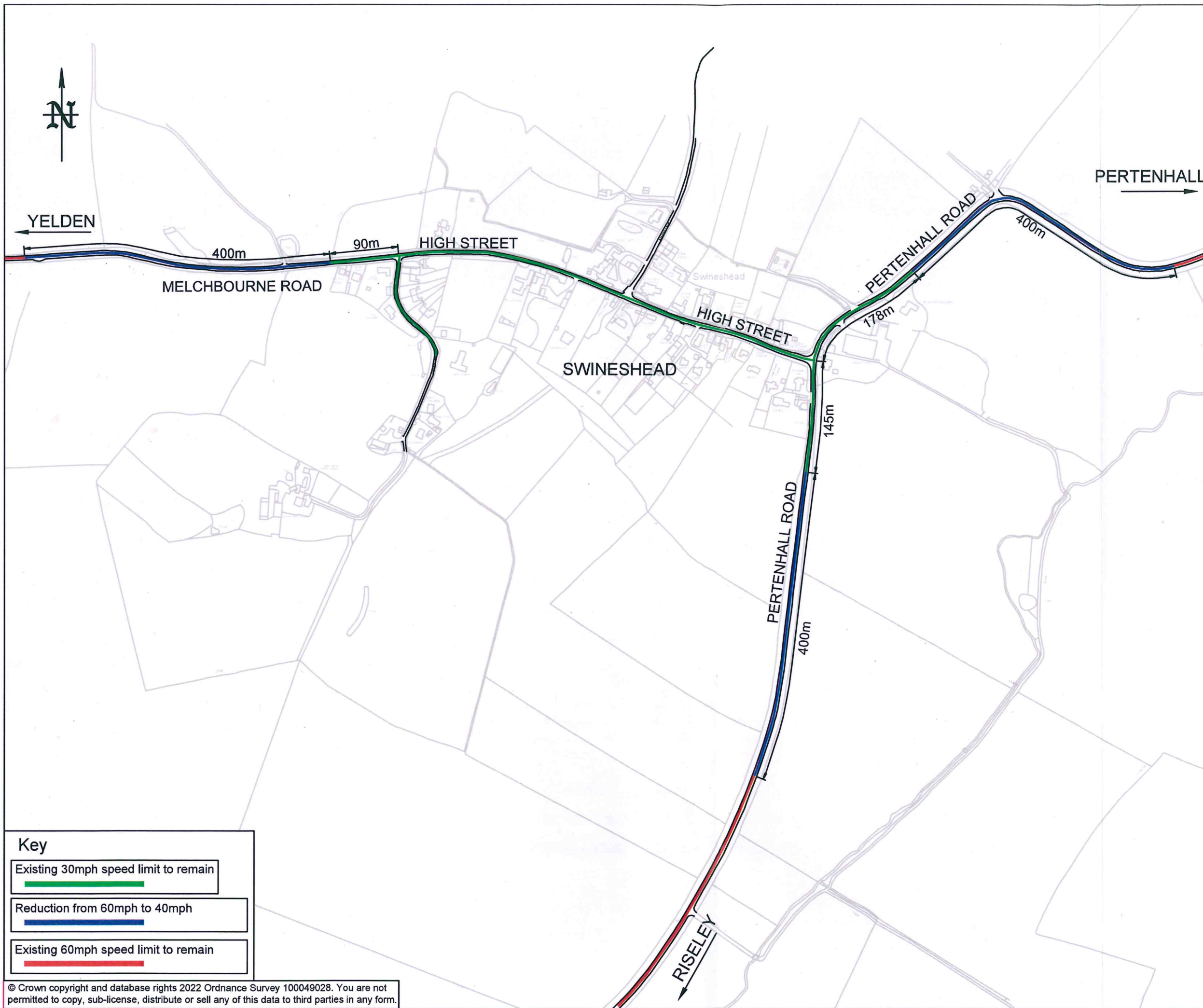
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**STATEMENT OF REASONS**

Bedford Borough Council has received a request from Pertenhall and Swineshead Parish Council to reduce the speed limits from the National Speed Limit (60mph) to 40mph on the roads approaching the village of Swineshead. As such, it is proposed to introduce 40mph speed limits on three lengths of Melchbourne Road and Pertenhall Road, Swineshead.

These 40mph stretches of road will act as “buffer zones” between existing 60mph and 30mph stretches of road, enabling motorists to decelerate in a smoother manner from 60mph to 40mph and then from 40mph to 30mph, rather than having to brake from 60mph to 30mph.





**NOTES**  
 The speed reductions to 40mph are to extend for a distance of 400m from the end of the existing 30mph speed limits.

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SCHEME  
**Melchbourne Road and Pertenhall Road, Swineshead**

DRAWING TITLE  
**New 40mph Speed Limits**

DRG STATUS  
**TRO**

SCALE @ A3	DATE	DRAWN	CHECKED
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**Key**

Existing 30mph speed limit to remain
Reduction from 60mph to 40mph
Existing 60mph speed limit to remain