Police Object to Village Speed Limit Extension.

Police objections appear to have called a halt to Surrey County Council Plans to extend the 30mph village speed limit north along Clandon Road as far as Green Lane.

£7000 funding for the proposal had been approved by SCCs Local Committee but speed surveys undertaken early in July recorded current speeds of 36.6 mph northbound and 39.1 mph southbound. Although Surrey County Policy predicts that based on these figures average speeds are likely to reduce by between 4 to 5 mph overall the same policy requires additional physical measures, such as speed humps or road tables if the prevailing speeds are in excess of 35 mph. These may prove controversial and, in any event, the available funding will not cover this.

The same reasoning was previously used to dismiss calls for a 20mph limit within the 30mph section. The average speed recorded in the recent speed survey near Clandon Park recorded similar average speeds implying that changing the speed limit without additional physical measures would achieve only modest results.

On a more positive note the Parish Council funded variable speed sign on the southern end of The Street has been installed and should be commissioned shortly. There is as yet no start date for the repairs to the road surface in Clandon Rd or the road safety work at the junction with the A3 but both are expected within the current financial year.

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