SOLIHULL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Metropolitan Borough of Solihull (Oldwich Lane East, Oldwich Lane West and Fen End Road, Balsall Common) (40 MPH Maximum Speed Limit and Speed Limit Revocations) Order 2023

Statement of Reasons

Currently the above locations are within a 40mph Zone, which means that there are terminal signs to indicate the beginning and end of the zone but there are no 40mph repeater signs to remind drivers of the speed limit.

These zones were originally implemented in 2015 and include lanes which are very narrow, rural, single carriageways with no footways and no verges, so nowhere to install posts and repeater signs safely, these lanes will remain as a 40mph zone.

The proposal is to change the main roads within the zones to a 40mph speed limit which will allow repeater signs to be provided at the prescribed intervals safely, thus reminding drivers of the legal speed limit.

There is a stretch of 260m carriageway which has a 50mph speed limit at the beginning of Oldwich Lane East near to its junction with Fen End Road. It is proposed to include this within the 40mph speed limit.

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