

# SOLIHULL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

## The Metropolitan Borough of Solihull (Various Roads in Solihull) (20 MPH Maximum Speed Limit) Order 2026

### Statement of Reasons

In accordance with Department for Transport guidance, it is expected that the Council as the Local Highway Authority keeps speed limits under review with changing circumstances, gives consideration to the introduction of more 20mph limits and zones and over time in urban areas and built-up village streets that have a high proportion of vulnerable road users.

A speed limit review which focused on the locations around schools within the Borough was undertaken during 2021/22. The study identified roads adjacent to schools where the existing speed limits may be inappropriate and where a lower speed limit of 20mph would be more suitable and promotes a safer environment for everyone.

Every school location within the Borough was assessed and it is expected that the programme to address lowering the speeds near to schools will run over consecutive years.

This has resulted in the above-named proposed Traffic Regulation Orders, which have the aim of achieving safe and appropriate driving speeds, preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the roads run and to avoid the danger to persons or other traffic using the roads or any other roads, or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising.

The proposal to amend the speed limits on these roads was approved at the Cabinet Member for Environment & Highways Decision Session on 3rd July 2025.

In respect of the proposed new and changes to the speed limits in Dorridge we are taking this opportunity to consolidate the 20mph orders for simplicity in this immediate area.

It is recommended that the existing speed limits be revoked, and speed limits introduced as shown on drawing no.'s 9756-S1 – 9756-S5.

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