



Operations Command

Traffic Management and Road safety Team

Our reference: cdc/136/21

**Ref: 40mph speed limit extension. A21 Level crossing.**

Dear Gardner,

Changing speed limits requires legal consultation with the Chief Officer of Police under s20, (part3) of schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

I am specifically authorised to respond to your communication on behalf of the Chief Constables of Surrey and Sussex Police and I can confirm that you have fulfilled your legal obligation to consult the Police.

I am content that the proposal meets the requirements of the DfT guidance and the guidance of the National Police Chiefs Council. Additionally, the results are consistent with an extension of the 40mph speed limit that will not be over- reliant on enforcement.

**With all this in mind, I am happy for Sussex Police to support this proposal.**

In the unlikely event that the proposed scheme does fail, then there should be no expectation of Police enforcement unless there is specific evidence of deliberate offending. Policing is an ineffective long term solution and an additional burden should not be placed on police enforcement resources for new schemes.

Yours sincerely,

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