WEST BERKSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL (A339 & B4640, GREENHAM) (VARIOUS SPEED LIMITS) ORDER 202*

STATEMENT OF REASONS

The proposed order relates to a section of A class dual carriageway that runs north/south through Newbury and is flanked by moderate development including 3 schools, Newbury College and a recycling centre. The proposal is to reduce one section of dual carriageway from 50mph to 40mph, between two roundabouts. It is also proposed that the northern roundabout will adopt the 30mph limit from the local restricted (street lit) road that crosses it east to west. The decision to take these proposed changes forward to public consultation was made democratically through the appropriate procedures, details of which can be found on our website www.westberks.gov.uk/a339-newtown-road-40. The rationale being that a lower speed limit will improve road safety for all users and improve access to the local amenities. The proposed order also seeks to revoke the WEST BERKSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL (A339 NEWBURY AND GREENHAM) (50 MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2007 in full and with exception of the changes made by the proposed new order, all other limits referred to in the proposed new order are consolidations of the 2007 order that is to be revoked.