

Planning Committee – 26th August 2021

Highway improvements on B3090 Oldford Hill between Frome and Oldford, particularly at the junction with Cuckoo Lane and Gypsy Lane

Somerset County Council are investigating the provision of highway improvements on B3090 Oldford Hill between Frome and Oldford, particularly at the junction with Cuckoo Lane and Gypsy Lane. This is as a result of a request from County Councillor Linda Oliver for a Small Improvement Scheme to improve road safety in this area.

A set of proposals has been identified to improve road safety, the main features of which are:

- A new '20 When Lights Show' advisory speed limit for the section of Bath Road outside of Frome Community College;
- Extending the existing 30 mph speed limit northwards so that the speed limit change is more visible and so that speeds are reduced on the approach to the junction;
- Reducing the speed limit to 40 mph to replace the national speed limit on the short section of B3090 between Frome and Oldford, as speed surveys have shown that a 40 mph speed limit would be more appropriate on this section of road;
- New and replacement road signs and road markings at the Cuckoo Lane/ Gypsy Lane junction; and
- Cutting back vegetation (which may include removing some existing trees and branches) within or encroaching onto the public highway, to improve visibility for drivers pulling out of Cuckoo Lane and Gypsy Lane.

Plans showing the proposed improvements can be seen on our website at: www.somerset.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/small-improvement-schemes-directory (look for 'T1004348 – B3090 Oldford Hill, Frome').

If you have any comments, please email me at anellist@somerset.gov.uk by **30 August 2021** so that we can take them into account.

The next stage will be for us to commission the detailed design of the proposals, where we would be able to consider any issues that have been raised during this consultation process as we progress the design of these proposed measures.