

COMMENTS, QUESTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS from 23 November 2011 meeting**Albrighton Area Local Joint Committee**

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1	A local resident expressed concern about the amount of traffic and the speed at which it is entering Albrighton from the A464 and the amount which enters from the A41. He asked whether a counter could be used so that statistical information could be available. The Chairman added that some heavy vehicles use those roads following sat nav instructions and suggested a sign might resolve the issue.	Alice Dilly – Principal Engineer Road Safety	<p>When the mini roundabout was installed a couple of years ago at the Elm Road junction, discussions were undertaken between the Police and Council Officers. It was deemed that the existing 30mph speed limit was not well adhered to by motorists and that speeds needed to be reduced further on the approaches to the new miniroundabout. The introduction of a 40mph “buffer” zone was implemented to allow drivers to slow down significantly before they reached the 30mph limit rather than going from a 60mph to a 30mph limit in one step, as the situation previously.</p> <p>A buffer zone is a recognised method of slowing speeds progressively to achieve an overall speed reduction where a speed limit changes from a high speed limit to a much lower limit. The fact that the driver can see the 30mph limit approaching enables them to continue slowing down to the appropriate speed before the 30mph terminal signs and the miniroundabout.</p> <p>In view of this we have no proposals to amend the current situation which we believe works well.</p>
2	A question was asked as to whether the speed restriction from the A464 into Albrighton could be	Alice Dilly – Principal	See comment above.

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	reduced to 30 mph for the full length from the A464 rather than the current 40 mph from the A464 and then reducing to 30 mph. Apparently, the 30 mph sign can be seen from the 40 mph sign. The Chairman said that advice would be sought from the Highways Officer.	Engineer Road Safety	