

Ampfield A3090 Speed Limit Policy Proposal

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Objective

The A3090 and traffic volume and speed has a significant effect on the environment of Ampfield in the areas of the parish that it passes through. Questions from parishioners on speed issues along parts of the highway are a low level but constant concern, which Ampfield Parish Council (APC) has historically reacted to as and when they arise. The purpose of this paper is to propose a policy for speed limits across the length of the A3090 in the parish, which APC can adopt as a benchmark. It can be used as follows:-

- Communicate to the parish as a vision of what we would like to achieve, a tool to obtain views on the subject and focus dialogue on specifics
- Respond to parishioners who have complaints regarding speed issues
- Use as a benchmark when discussing A3090 alterations in the future with Borough and County Highways
- Set a context for individual decisions (e.g. the 2015 decision regarding the support for a Straight Mile 40mph limit)

APC have no power or responsibility to set speed limits. However, a coherent and agreed policy at parish level will be a useful tool in the framing of future discussions and decisions on the subject.

Proposal

The tables on the following page break down the A3090 into different sections through the parish. They give the current speed limits with a proposal on how and why these should be either maintained or modified to fall within a long term policy.

Section of A3090	Approx Distance	Current Limit	Proposed Limit	Comments
East parish boundary to Hook Road Junction	0.4m	60mph	40mph	Beginning of entrances for Ampfield business and some residential (Yellow Dot entrance 200yds west of parish boundary. Hook Road junction busy at rush hours.
Hook Road Junction to east village 30mph limit sign by St Marks church	0.4m	60mph	40mph	St Marks Church car park entrance is tight and 100yds outside current 30 mph limit which is positioned on a bend with poor visibility.
East 30mph sign to west 30mph limit sign positioned half way down Ampfield Hill	0.8m	30mph	30mph	Section needs improved traffic calming and safer north side pedestrian footway through the village area
West 30mph limit sign to Jermyns Lane junction	0.2m	60mph	40mph	Slower speeds required into junction and residential/business entrances on A3090
Jermyns Lane Junction along Straight Mile to west parish boundary	0.5m	60mph	40mph	Already supported by APC based primarily on traffic noise issues

Other Related Speed Limits

Other Areas	Distance	Current Limit	Proposed Limit	Comments
A3090 Straight Mile outside Ampfield parish boundary to Crampmoor 30mph limit	0.5m	60mp	40mph	Already supported by APC but also requires support of Romsey Extra PC
A3090 outside east parish boundary to Hursley 40mph limit	0.6m	60mph	50mph	A largely uninhabited and straight road section but which Ampfield residents have reported a number of deer accidents. This would require support of Hursley PC
End of Hook Road 40mph limit to A3090 junction	0.1m	60mph	40mph	To match above A3090 proposed change to 40mph at Hook Road junction, plus Broadgate Farm increased traffic flows