

**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
THE COUNTY OF WILTSHIRE (B3108, BRADFORD ON AVON AND WINSLEY)
(40MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2021**

Length of Road in the Town of Bradford on Avon and Parish of Winsley Subject to 40mph Speed Limit

B3108 From a point 120 metres west of its junction with Downs View, Bradford on Avon to a point 250 metres south west of its junction with C238 Great Ashley Lane, Winsley

Winsley Parish Council Response:

Winsley Parish Council supports the lowering of the speed limit to 40 mph on the B3108 in accordance with the reasons provided in the notice.

**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
THE COUNTY OF WILTSHIRE (B3108, WINSLEY) (50MPH SPEED LIMIT)
ORDER 2021**

B3108 From a point 40 metres east of its junction with Murhill to a point 250 metres south east of its junction with C238 Great Ashley Lane.

Winsley Parish Council Response:

Winsley Parish Council does not support the proposal which restates the 50 mph speed limit along the B3108 to the junction with Murhill for the following reasons:

- Since the B3108 was first designated a 50 mph speed limit road its use has changed dramatically. This has meant an increasing number of vehicles are stopping on, turning from or on to the B3108 at various points together with most residential properties in the Winsley Parish having access along this stretch of road.

Notably these include:

- Bradford on Avon Rugby Club.
- The change to the D1 bus route led to establishing 2 bus stops by the Rugby Club.
- The D1 bus enters and leaves Tynning Road.
- Hartley Farm shop and cafe together with other light industrial use has led to increased traffic and pedestrian activity at the lane opposite Dane Rise (in July 2019 a vehicle a minute either entered or left the lane during daytime).
- There are holiday rental cottages and a Farm Camp located at Church Farm. All generate turning traffic and non-vehicular access.
- The junction with Limpley Stoke Road provides access to Dorothy House Hospice which has significant daily traffic movements.
- The Limpley Stoke junction provides the main access to various Winsley facilities. Notably: Bowls Club, Cricket Club, Pub, 2 Churches and the Village Hall.
- Avonpark Retirement Village access is on a bend in the road, pedestrians (elderly) must cross the road for the bus stop.

- Opposite is a lane to Conkwell where there is limited visibility when accessing the B3108. Vehicles include horse boxes.
- This stretch of the B3108 dissects an area of outstanding natural beauty with a myriad of footpaths and country lanes. These are heavily used by cyclists, walkers and horse riders all of whom are entitled to safely cross a road where speed is commensurate with the use to which it is put. Elderly, disabled and those pushing accompanying young children are particularly vulnerable.

There is no merit in a 50 mph speed limit in terms of reduced journey time and certainly not in terms of vehicle emissions.

Towards Bath vehicles must slow down to enter the 40 mph limit then slow down further as they navigate the single line / alternate access under the railway bridge then again wait at traffic lights to enter the A 36.

Towards Bradford on Avon traffic will slow down in the residential area from Downs View to the A363.

Wiltshire Highways has in hand a review of the B3108 in Winsley which includes traffic management and pedestrian issues in the Area of Dane Rise, Tynning Road and the lane to Hartley Farm. This is an ongoing agenda item within the Community Area Transport Group (CATG).

CONCLUSION

Winsley Parish Council proposes that the entire length of the B3108 from a point 120 metres west of its junction with Downs View, Bradford on Avon to 40 metres east of its junction with Murhill be subject to a speed limit of 40 mph