

Free consultation seminar open to all practitioners and stakeholders

Draft Department for Transport Speed Limit Circular on Speed Limits

Thursday 7 January 2010 3.00-5.45pm
The Gallery, 75 Cowcross Street, London, EC1M 6EL

Convened by the Urban Design Group – www.udg.org.uk

and through the Urban Design Alliance/ICE – Streets Email Forum
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An opportunity to discuss the draft, to make your views known and hear from other practitioners, local authorities and stakeholders, and to help gather thoughts in time for the close of the consultation period – (5th February 2009)

<http://www.dft.gov.uk/pgr/roadsafety/speed-limits/>

AGENDA

An introduction to the proposals in the draft circular

What can be done about speed limits now?

Practical Experience with lower speed limits

Including Portsmouth and other local authorities

Core issues

Arguments for slower speeds/Arguments against

- **accident reduction** – how much?
- **injury avoidance** – how much?
- **noise** – how much reduction?
- **fuel consumption and emissions** – up or down?
- **modal shift** – increased walking and cycling?
- **public health** – reduced obesity and diabetes?
- **children and play** – returning streets to children?
- **localism** – the chance of reviving communities, local shops, and increasing community ties?
- **signage** – how to avoid clutter and cost?
- **implications for sustainability and urban design**
- **the rural dimension**
- **Total 20, authority wide or individual schemes**

Compliance

Ownership
Psychological measures – shared space
Physical measures
Geometry
Enforcement—Speed cameras, ITS, ISA
Education

Debate:

Does the draft circular go far enough?

High Streets – a suitable case treatment?

Does the circular go too far?

Contributors include:

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Rod King 20's plenty for us,

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To take part –

all you need do is enter your name and email on the website below

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/JX6Y2KW>

and turn up on the day!

There is no charge

If you would like to make a short presentation on one or more of the issues – preferably evidence or science based, please let Robert Huxford know.

**Any questions please phone Robert Huxford
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