

Email Sent to Assistant Director

on 13 April 2022

Dear Assistant Director,

Members discussed, at the Development Committee Meeting on 30 March, the issue of the houses on Halifax Rd where the problems of loud vibrations and wall cracks are increasing. It is believed that this situation is being made worse by traffic passing at the current speed limit – 30MPH. Members resolved that I write to you to request a reduction in the speed limit of this area to 20MPH. I know that Naomi, our new Town Clerk has been trying without success, to set up a follow up meeting with Shelagh, Richard and yourself to discuss this and other issues.

As mentioned at one of the meetings with yourself and the Director, the owners of properties from 132 Halifax Rd to the end of Stanley Terrace (on Halifax Rd) and Sanworth St are experiencing loud vibrations when traffic passes and large cracks on internal walls. You agreed that this is probably caused by the rising water table. Feedback has been received from residents that this situation is getting worse. The suggestion has been made that until the problem is rectified (if it can be) that the speed limit for that stretch of road be reduced from 30MPH to 20MPH. It is believed that this reduction in speed will reduce the sound vibrations and alleviate the possibility of further cracking.

As part of the A646 Corridor Improvements, the 20 MPH stretch is already being extended to just past Sanworth St. Members are in favour of this 20MPH speed restriction zone being extended to the Shell garage in an effort to reduce the level of sound vibrations being experienced and moderate any further cracking in the walls of the properties there.

I should be grateful if you could please let me know whether this request from members is possible.

Kind regards,
Assistant Town Clerk