

Dyddiad/Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2020

Dear Councillor Brencher,

## **Re: Llantrisant Road Speed Limit Petition Response**

Thank you for the petition recently submitted at Full Council regarding the possibility of reducing the speed limit at Llantrisant Road.

Following the submission of the petition, I have asked the Council's Highways Service to look into this matter on my behalf and, following their investigations, I have provided the outcomes overleaf.

Yours sincerely,

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Llantrisant Road is rural in nature with few properties directly fronting the road, therefore the existing 60mph speed limit is in keeping with the characteristics of this road and is consistent with roads of a similar nature across the country.

A review of the personal injury collision history for the most recent five year period has shown there have been no speed related collisions along the section of Llantrisant Road, between the junction with Maendy Road and Black Road. In response to previous complaints received about speeding on Llantrisant Road, officers have visited the site and undertook covert speed surveys which found that all recorded vehicles were travelling below the current 60mph limit, with the majority of vehicles recorded travelling at or below 40mph.

Given the fact that the survey indicated that the majority of vehicles were travelling below 40mph, it is reasonable to suggest that there is indeed scope to review the speed limit and consider reducing the signed speed limit along this road to 40mph.

However, before this may be done, officers would be required to undertake a more detailed survey and assess this road in accordance with the Welsh Government's Policy Document, entitled *Setting Local Speed Limits in Wales*, to determine if such a change would be achievable.

Should the review then indicate that a reduction in the speed limit is indeed appropriate for the location, then funding would need to be identified to implement the change.

Given the Traffic Management programme has been approved and available funding committed for financial year 2020/21, the review would need to be included in next year's programme and any resulting works would need to compete with numerous other locations from across the County Borough for funding with priority being given to those sites with the greatest need.

I have requested this site be included in the review process for next financial year, and should any changes to the limit be identified, then consideration should be given to including this location in the 2021/22 Traffic Management Programme.