

TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO) CONSULTATION

HOR2311RC – Rudgwick: A281 Guildford Road

14/3/24 – 9/4/24

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WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL
(RUDGWICK: A281 GUILDFORD ROAD)
(40MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2024

NOTICE is hereby given that West Sussex County Council proposes to introduce a permanent Order under the provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which will be to introduce a 40mph speed limit on the length of the A281 Guildford Road from the Surrey County boundary to the existing 30mph speed limit in Bucks Green and on the northern extent of Tismans Common south of the A281.

Full details of the proposals in this Notice can be viewed on our website www.westsussex.gov.uk/tro. The website includes a response form for comments or objections.

Paper copies of documents will not be available to view in council offices or libraries. People without access to a computer who wish to view details of the scheme should telephone the West Sussex County Council Contact Centre on 01243 642105 to receive the documents by post.

Any objections or comments about the proposal must be received by 9 April 2024. These may be sent via the response form on the website, in writing to: TRO Team, West Sussex County Council, The Grange, Tower Street, Chichester, PO19 1RH; or by e-mail to: tro.consultation@westsussex.gov.uk. All correspondence should be addressed to the undersigned, quoting reference no. TRO/HOR2311/RC. Only correspondence including a full name and address will be considered.

Dated this 14th March 2024
Director of Law & Assurance
County Hall
Chichester

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Statement Of Reasons For Proposing To Make The Order

The County Council in exercise of their powers under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, propose to make a permanent Order the effect of which will be to introduce a 40mph speed limit on the length of the A281 Guildford Road from the Surrey County boundary to the existing 30mph speed limit in Bucks Green and on the northern extent of Tismans Common south of the A281.

Bucks Green lies at the centre of Rudgwick Parish on the main A281 Horsham to Guildford road. Bucks Green village is subject to a 30mph speed limit but the approach from the west is currently de-restricted.

Concerns have been expressed by the Parish Council that the western approach to Bucks Green is down a reasonably steep gradient and, with no buffer speed limit in place vehicles are approaching the 30mph in the village at too high a speed.

The West Sussex Speed Limit Policy states that assessing a road for an appropriate speed limit in West Sussex includes taking the following into account:

- Functional hierarchy of the route
- The length of the route to be subject to the speed limit
- Road Traffic Collision history
- Traffic speeds (speed assessment)
- Other means of intervention to improve road safety.

The application has been assessed in line with the above policy. This route is categorised as being high risk. There have been 3 serious speed related collisions and 2 slight incidents in the last 3 years. A 40mph speed limit is considered appropriate in this location. A 40mph speed limit will also be introduced on the de-restricted northern extent of Tismans Common, south of the A281 junction.

To encourage compliance with the 40mph speed limit, in addition to the 40mph yellow backed terminal signs the speed limit will be supplemented by roundels and repeater signs. The introduction of the reduced speed limit and additional measures aims to reduce the severity of collisions and the likelihood of them happening.

This Order is proposed for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or to minimise the likelihood of any such danger arising and for facilitating the safe passage on the road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians), for preserving or improving the amenity of the area through which the road runs and for preserving the character of the road.

Drawing HOR2311 Rudgwick A281 Guildford Road Proposed Speed Limit shows the lengths of roads, which are the subject of the proposed Order.

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West Sussex County Council in exercise of their powers under Sections 82 and 84 (1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act"), and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Act and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Act hereby make the following Order:-

1. This Order shall come into operation on the x day of x 2024 and may be cited as "West Sussex County Council (Rudgwick: A281 Guildford Road) (40mph Speed Limit) Order 2024"
2. No person shall cause or permit any vehicle to travel at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour in the lengths of roads specified in the First Schedule to this Order.
3. Nothing in Paragraph 3 shall apply to a vehicle being used by naval, military or air force purposes while being driven by a person for the time being subject to the orders of a member of the armed forces of the Crown on an occasion when –
 - (a) the person driving the vehicle is a member of the special forces as defined by the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011; and
 - (b) the vehicle is being driven-
 - (i) in response, or for practice in responding, to a national security emergency by a person who has been trained in driving vehicles at high speeds; or
 - (ii) for the purpose of training a person in driving vehicles at high speeds.

FIRST SCHEDULE
(40mph speed limit)

Lengths of roads in Rudgwick

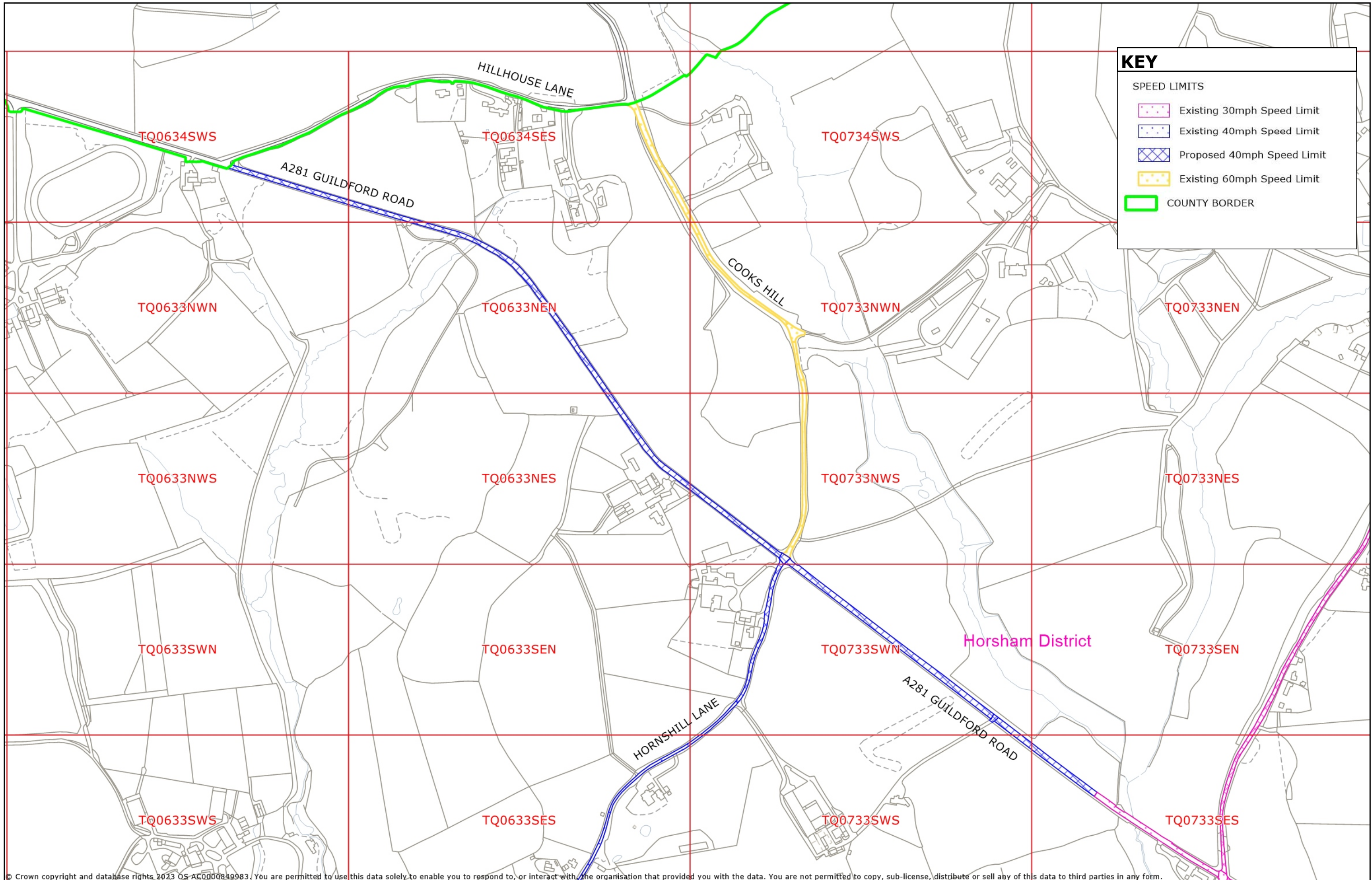
A281 Guildford Road	From a point 220 metres north-west of Lynwick Street north-westwards to the Surrey County boundary.
Tismans Common	From the A281 southwards for a distance of 180 metres.

For and on behalf of WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

Authorised Signatory:

NAME:

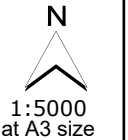
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HORSHAM DISTRICT: RUDGWICK - A281 GUILDFORD ROAD
PROPOSED SPEED LIMIT (04.03.2024)



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