

TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO) CONSULTATION

CHI2419RC – Bury & Fittleworth: B2138 Bury Gate / Tripp Hill

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WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL
(BURY & FITTLEWORTH: B2138 BURY GATE/TRIPP HILL)
(40MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 202*

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 extend the 40mph speed limit on the B2138 Bury Gate/Trip Hill from south of Fittleworth village to the A29.

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 6 June 2025. 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 the reference TRO/CHI2419/RC. Only correspondence including a full name and address will be considered.

Dated this 15th May 2025
Director of Law & Assurance
County Hall
Chichester

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WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL
(BURY & FITTLEWORTH: B2138 BURY GATE/TRIPP HILL)
(40MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 202*

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 extend the 40mph speed limit on the B2138 Bury Gate/Trip Hill from south of Fittleworth village to the A29.

The section of the B2138 south of Fittleworth village is currently de-restricted and subject to a 60mph speed limit. There is no pavement or verge. There are 2 Public Bridleways, a Public Footpath and 2 local lanes crossing the B2138 but with a staggered access so walkers have to walk in the carriageway. The route is also well users by equestrians and cyclists. The local community have raised concerns about the speed of vehicles and requested the speed limit be reduced to 40mph.

The application has been assessed in accordance with the WSCC Speed Limit Policy. This section of the B2138 is a rural route that carries high volumes of traffic. There are several property frontages and farm accesses. There are progressive bends located throughout the road. There is a high presence of vulnerable road users with public rights of way accesses located sporadically along the route. There have been 4 slight road traffic incidents on this stretch of road, 2 of which relate to failing to judge other vehicles speeds.

The character of the road, collision history and presence of vulnerable road users means a 40mph is considered appropriate. It is intended to introduce the 40mph speed limit with repeater signage throughout in addition to the terminal signs.

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

Drawing *CHI2419 Bury Bury Gate/Tripp Hill proposed speed limits (13.02.2025)* shows the length of road, which is 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 202* and may be cited as "West Sussex County Council (Bury & Fittleworth: B2138 Bury Gate/Tripp Hill) (40mph Speed Limit) Order 202*"
2. The Orders in the First Schedule to this Order are hereby revoked.
3. No person shall cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the length of road specified in the Second Schedule to this Order.
4. 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
Order to be revoked

	Extent of revocation
West Sussex County Council (Fittleworth: Various Roads) (Traffic Regulation) (Consolidation) Order 2008	THIRD SCHEDULE Item 3
West Sussex County Council (Bury and Houghton: A29 & Various Roads) (30, 40 & 50mph Speed Limits) (and Consolidation) Order 2009	THIRD SCHEDULE Item 2

SECOND SCHEDULE
(40mph speed limit)

Length of road in Bury & Fittleworth

B2138 Bury Gate/Tripp Hill

From its junction with the A29
to a point 39 metres north of

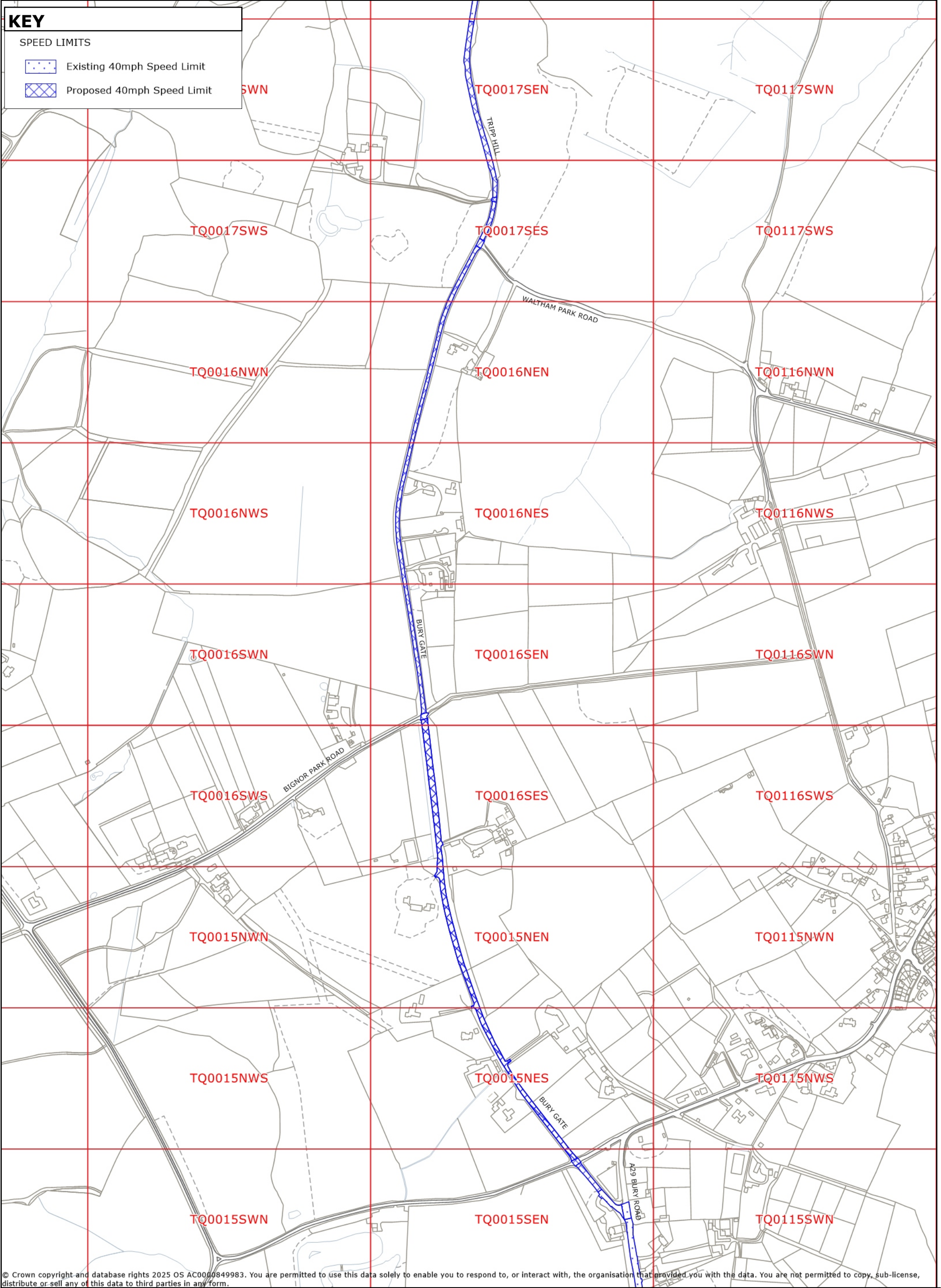
the access road to the old
station.

For and on behalf of WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

Authorised Signatory:

NAME:

DATE MADE:



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