TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO) CONSULTATION

CHI2501RC – Whitechimney Row & Old Farm Lane, Westbourne

24/7/25 - 15/8/25

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<u>WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL</u> (WESTBOURNE: WHITE CHIMNEY ROW & OLD FARM LANE) (20MPH & 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 20mph speed limit for the entire length of White Chimney Road and the western extent of Old Farm Lane and to introduce a 40mph speed limit on a length of Old Farm Lane.

Full details of the proposals in this Notice can be viewed on our website <u>www.westsussex.gov.uk/tro</u>. 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 15 August 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: <u>tro.consultation@westsussex.gov.uk</u>. All correspondence should be addressed to the undersigned, quoting the reference TRO/CHI2501/RC. Only correspondence including a full name and address will be considered.

Dated this 24th July 2025 Director of Law & Assurance County Hall Chichester

<u>WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL</u> (WESTBOURNE: WHITE CHIMNEY ROW & OLD FARM LANE) (20MPH & 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 20mph speed limit for the entire length of White Chimney Road and the western extent of Old Farm Lane and to introduce a 40mph speed limit on a length of Old Farm Lane.

The northern section of White Chimney Row is within the bult-up area of Westbourne village and subject to a 20mph speed limit, a 30mph speed limit applies on a section of the road with a system of street lighting and after the road bends to become Old Farm Lane it is de-restricted.

Concerns have been raised locally about road safety due to the sharp bend on White Chimney Row and general traffic speed approaching the village from the east. The Parish Council have requested that the 20mph speed limit be extended southwards so that it applies to the entire length of White Chimney Row including the bend.

The application has been assessed in accordance with the West Sussex Speed Limit Policy. There is evidence of damage to traffic signage and property, including a recent wall strike, due to drivers mis-judging the bend. A 20mph speed limit is considered appropriate on White Chimney Row and the western extent of Old Farm Lane.

Additionally to slow traffic on the eastern approach to the village it is proposed to introduce a 40mph buffer zone on Old Farm Lane which will be approximately 500m to include residential access to The Squirrels.

To encourage compliance with the reduced speed limits it is proposed that repeater signs will be installed at regular intervals along sections of road where the 20mph and 40mph speed limits will apply.

This Order is proposed for facilitating safe passage on the road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians) and for preventing damage to the road or any other building on or near the road.

Drawing CHI2501 Westbourne – White Chimney Road (30.05.2025) proposed speed limits shows the length of road, which is the subject of the proposed order.

Director of Law & Assurance County Hall Chichester

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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:-

- This Order shall come into operation on the x day of x 202* and may be cited as "West Sussex County Council (White Chimney Row & Old Farm Lane) (20mph & 40mph Speed Limit) Order 202*"
- 2. The Order in the First Schedule to this Order shall be revoked.
- 3. The lengths of restricted roads in the Second Schedule to this Order shall cease to be restricted roads for the purpose of Section 82 of the Act.
- 4. No person shall cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 20 miles per hour in the lengths of roads specified in the Second Schedule to this Order
- 5. No person shall cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour in the length of road specified in the Third Schedule to this Order
- 6. Nothing in Paragraphs 4 and 5 shall apply to a vehicle being used by naval, military or air force purposes while being driven by a person for the timebeing 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

West Sussex County Council (Westbourne: Various Roads) (20 MPH Speed Limit) Order 2015 Extent of revocation

SCHEDULE insofar as it relates to White Chimney Row

SECOND SCHEDULE (20mph speed limit)

Lengths of roads in Westbourne

Old Farm Lane

From its junction with Mill Lane eastwards for

a distance of 90 metres

White Chimney Row

The entire length

THIRD SCHEDULE (40mph speed limit)

Length of road in Westbourne

Old Farm Lane

From a point 90 metres east of its junction with Mill Lane eastwards for a distance of 500 metres.

For and on behalf of WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

Authorised Signatory:

NAME:

DATE MADE:

