

TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO) CONSULTATION

CHI2308RC – Loxwood & Wisborough Green: Skiff Lane & Adjoining Roads

22/5/25 – 13/6/25

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WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL
(LOXWOOD & WISBOROUGH GREEN: SKIFF LANE & ADJOINING ROADS)
(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 introduce a 40mph speed limit on Skiff Lane, Brookland Lane and Walthurst Lane.

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 13 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/CHI2308/RC. Only correspondence including a full name and address will be considered.

Dated this 22nd May 2025
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 Skiff Lane, Brookland Lane and Walthurst Lane.

Skiff Lane is a single carriageway rural road connecting Loxwood to Wisborough Green and Kirdford. The road is currently de-restricted and subject to a 60mph speed limit. The Parish Council and local community have raised concerns about the speed of vehicles on a narrow country route with the presence of vulnerable road users. Due to the general character of the road they have requested the speed limit be reduced.

The application has been assessed in accordance with the West Sussex Speed Limit Policy. The characteristics of Skiff Lane are supportive of a lower limit and meet the functional hierarchy/route assessment description of a Rural C class and unclassified road not within a village. The road is narrow with a lack of footways for pedestrians, limited visibility due to bends, intermittent trees and hedgerows and no street-lighting. There are sporadic entrances to residential properties and farm accesses located throughout the length of the road, often requiring slow manoeuvres across the flow of oncoming traffic. There is restricted road width where a culvert crosses under the road making it possible for only one vehicle to pass over at a time.

The route has been assessed as being suitable for a 40mph speed limit to include the adjoining roads, Walthurst Lane and Brookland Lane.

To raise driver awareness and encourage compliance with the reduced speed limit it will be introduced with repeater signage.

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 CHI2308 Loxwood – Skiff Lane proposed speed limits (30.07. 2024) shows the length of road, which is the subject of the proposed order.

Director of Law & Assurance
County Hall
Chichester
May 2025

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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 2025 and may be cited as "West Sussex County Council (Loxwood & Wisborough Green: Skiff Lane & Adjoining Roads) (40mph Speed Limit) Order 2025"
2. No person shall cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour in the lengths of roads specified in the Schedule to this Order
3. Nothing in Paragraph 2 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.

SCHEDULE
(40mph speed limit)

Lengths of roads in Loxwood

Brookland Lane	The entire length
Walthurst Lane	The entire length

Length of road in Loxwood & Wisborough Green

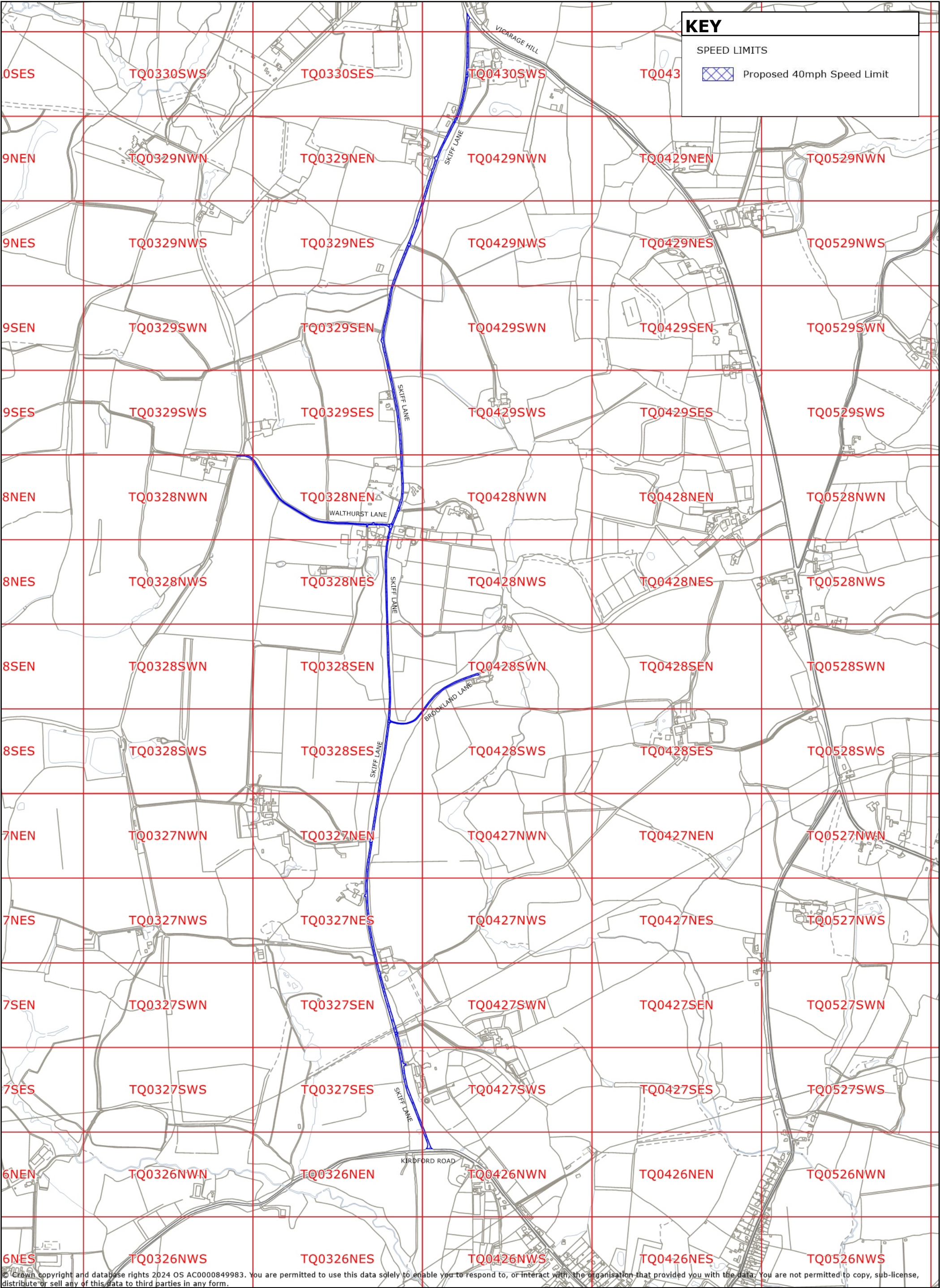
Skiff Lane	From the B2133 to Kirdford Road
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For and on behalf of WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

Authorised Signatory:

NAME:

DATE MADE:



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