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North Somerset Council 20mph Action Plan – Summary

Active Travel Action Plans 2023-30

One of our seven Active Travel Action Plans (ATAPs) for 2023-30 to help deliver our Active Travel Strategy's vision, to:

'Make walking and cycling the natural choice for a cleaner, healthier and more active North Somerset' **Our Vision**: This 20mph Action Plan sets out North Somerset Council's more consistent, transparent and targeted approach to rolling out 20mphs in the appropriate locations areas where they are most needed



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Guiding principles for 20mph

- 1. We will only introduce 20mph where we have an existing 30mph speed limit.
- 2. We will only introduce 20mph where we have active development frontages apparent on both sides of the carriageway.
- 3. 20mph limits can be on roads where average speeds are 24mph or less. These locations will only require the provision of signage and surface roundels.
- 20mph can be considered where speeds are between 25-30mph. These locations will require traffic calming measures, either horizontal (e.g. chicanes) or vertical (e.g. speed cushions).

Benefits of 20mph

- Reduction in motor vehicle speed, enabling active travel through the creation of safer environments.
- National research notes that in some areas, the introduction of 20mph can encourage 16% of residents to walk more and 9% to cycle more. (Atkins, 2018, 20mph Research Study)







Example scheme proposals

Below are scheme proposals that we could progress subject to funding and engagement. This isn't a list of all our scheme proposals – we want to hear what you think about the proposals listed below and any that you want for your area. We'll collect all scheme requests and use our new scoring and prioritisation process to help us prioritise the most needed and best value for money schemes across the district. This will inform our network planning for when funding becomes available.

Location	Brief issue/improvement concept	Status
Pill	Introduce 20mph throughout Pill, Easton-in-Gordano, Ham Green	Consultation and detailed design
Tickenham	20mph on B3130 Clevedon Road	Early Engagement
Hutton	20mph throughout urban areas of Hutton Village	Design
Locking	20mph across village south of A371	Concept only at present
Congresbury	20mph in the centre of the village	Concept only at present
Weston-super-Mare	Consideration for 20mph in number of areas including: Worle High Street, Coronation, Earlham Grove and Milton Road.	Concept only at present
Bleadon	20mph along Purn Way, Coronation Road, Shiplate Road and adjacent residential roads.	Concept only at present
Backwell	Compliant section of Hyattswood & Oatfield	Concept
Banwell Bypass (Various)	As part of the mitigation measures for Banwell Bypass, 20mph will be introduced in the appropriate places in the following nearby villages: Banwell, Winscombe, Sandford, Churchill	Design
Kenn	Kenn Street	Concept
New scheme proposals from communities and stakeholders	To be added following consultation – subject to review, scoring, prioritisation and funding being available	Awaiting issues/requests from our communities and stakeholders

Current good examples



Uphill (Urban, Local Access)



Clevedon Hill Road (Urban Hub, Neighbourhood Distributor)



Challenges to delivery

- Securing sufficient funding to develop and deliver our initiatives and scheme proposals with our communities
- Varied approaches in other local authorities can create expectations from communities which do not align to our guiding principles or adopted policy.
- Resources to develop and deliver schemes once they have been prioritised.

We want to hear from you!

We want your ideas about active travel interventions you want in your area.

Residents, businesses, visitors and other

stakeholders – we encourage you to discuss issues local to you with your Town or Parish Council and your Elected North Somerset Councillor for your ward area.

You can also add your requests at Widen My Path.

Town and Parish Councils and North Somerset Council Elected Members – please use the Highway Improvement Request Form to submit your transport network improvement requests.



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