

STATEMENT OF REASONS

The general effect will be to introduce a 40mph Speed Limit on the section of Linkwood Road, Elgin as specified in Schedule 1.

Following the approval of the Planning Application (16/01244 APP) submitted to Moray Council to build 870 residential properties together with a new primary school and Sports Centre on Linkwood Road, Elgin on 4th August 2016, a number of conditions were placed upon the developer. This included a requirement to introduce a lower speed limit along the front of the site on safety grounds. It was agreed that because there is no frontage development at this site, and in accordance with the procedure for reviewing speed limits agreed at the Economic Development and Infrastructure Services Committee on 13 October 2009, it would not be appropriate to extend the existing 30mph speed limit and a 40mph would be more in keeping with the driver's perception. Physical measures which seek to reduce traffic speeds, and limit conflicts between vehicles travelling on Linkwood Road and those exiting or entering the new residential/school/sports centre developments have been installed to support the reduction in the speed limit from 60mph to 40mph and in the interests of Road Safety