

The Essex County Council (Layer Road, Abberton)(30mph Speed Limit)
Order 20**

Statement of Reasons

The County Council is proposing to extend the existing 30mph Speed Limit on Layer Road, Abberton and introduce a 30mph speed limit on Rectory Lane, Abberton in order to reduce vehicular speeds and improve the pedestrian environment.

The Parish Council, supported by their local County Councillor wish to extend the 30mph speed limit move to just past the junction with Rectory Road. The speeds along Layer Road and Oxley Hill are generally compliant. Outside of the 30mph limit, average speeds are 35.53mph. The 30mph speed limit terminal point is located in the correct location, the point at which you enter the village. The surroundings are different to that of the national speed limit and the average speeds reflect this, however the County Councillor would like the speed limit to be extended.

It was noted that it is difficult for people to leave and enter Rectory Lane, which is currently outside of the 30mph speed limit.

The request was then progressed to the validation process, whereby a Design Engineer investigated the issue raised, as well as any suggested solutions, and for him to put forward any feasible engineering solutions where possible.

With this particular request, the 30mph extension was found to not meet the Essex Management Strategy, and as such the Design Engineer could not recommend that this scheme progress.

The request was then taken to Cabinet Member Authority (CMA) and as a result has since been decided upon.

The five day call in period came to an end on 11/09/20.