

**The Essex County Council (Thornhurst Road, City of Chelmsford) (20mph Zone)
Order 202*.**

STATEMENT OF REASONS:

This development off the existing Fox Crescent Road is currently in two phases - to the north will be residential (Still in Planning) whilst to the south is newly constructed School Buildings. As part of the planning consent (21/00396/FUL) the developer has constructed a single storey building for use as a Special Educational Needs & Disabilities School, and a two-storey residential building to accommodate 15 students with associated car parking, incorporating student pick up and drop off. This TRO proposal is not related to a specific condition within the planning consent but has been proposed to help increase the safety for young students attending the new schools by keeping vehicles speeds to a maximum of 20mph.

The 20mph zone has been proposed to help with the road safety for all users of this road, but in particular students with special educational needs and disabilities that will be the main users of this new road during school term times. Lower speeds would help improve the overall environment for the students who wish to cross the new road to access the schools or planned future residential phases. The students with special educational needs and disabilities would benefit greatly from the reduced speeds as they may not be as confident as other road users in navigating the new road and pedestrian crossings.

This scheme is being funded by the developer and all the works associated to this TRO have already been completed on site, the implementation of this TRO will not cause any disruption to the existing highway network.