

**The Essex County Council (Various Roads, Great Dunmow,
and Little Dunmow) (Combined Speed Limits) (Amendment 1) Order 202***

Statement of Reasons

This Order proposes an extension to the speed limit changes previously advertised under consultation reference TRAF/8796.

Following comments received during that consultation, Essex County Council has reviewed the proposed extent of the 40mph speed limit on Woodside Way and considers it appropriate to extend the restriction further north.

The revised extent has been selected to provide a more consistent speed limit environment by incorporating the right-turn lane serving Blackwater Drive and the junction with Woodlands Park Drive within the same 40mph restriction. The proposal better reflects the function and character of the road, reduces the potential for speed changes in the vicinity of key junctions, and provides a safer and more consistent environment for all road users, including pedestrians, cyclists and motorists.

The Council considers the revised extent to be the most appropriate location for the speed limit change, balancing road safety, network function and driver expectation, whilst responding to comments received during the previous consultation.

The proposed Traffic Regulation Order and associated highway work form part of development-related mitigation measures and are being funded in full by the developer. No costs associated with the implementation of the Order or the related highway works will be borne by the public purse or local taxpayers.