

TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO) CONSULTATION

MDS2310MM – Ansty & Staplefield: Rocky Lane & Valebridge Road

9/11/23 – 30/11/23

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West Sussex County Council
(Ansty & Staplefield: Rocky Lane/Valebridge Road) (40 MPH Speed Limit) Order
2023

NOTICE is hereby given that West Sussex County Council proposes to make a permanent Traffic regulation Order under the provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which will be to introduce a 40 MPH Speed limit on Rocky Lane/Valbridge Road in the parish of Ansty & Staplefield, from the junction of Rocky Lane with the A272, southwards to the current 30 MPH speed limit on Valebridge Road near its junction with Medway Gardens.

Full details of the proposals in this notice can be viewed on the Traffic Regulation Order page of the [West Sussex County Council website](#). The website includes a response form for any comments or objections.

People without access to a computer who wish to view details of the scheme should telephone the West Sussex County Council Contact Centre on 01243 642105 to receive the documents by post.

Any comments or objections about the proposal must be received before 30 November 2023. These may be submitted via the response form on the website mentioned above, by e-mail to tro.consultation@westsussex.gov.uk or in writing to TRO Team, West Sussex County Council, The Grange, Tower Street, Chichester, PO19 1RH. For legal reasons, only correspondence including a full name and address will be considered. Please quote reference MDS2310-MM in all correspondence.

Dated this 9th day of November 2023.
Director of Law & Assurance, County Hall, Chichester.

West Sussex County Council
(Ansty & Staplefield: Rocky Lane/Valebridge Road) (40 MPH Speed Limit) Order
2023

Statement of Reasons for Proposing to Make the Order

West Sussex County Council proposes to make a permanent Traffic Regulation Order that will introduce a 40 MPH Speed limit on Rocky Lane/Valbridge Road in the parish of Ansty & Staplefield, from the junction of Rocky Lane with the A272, southwards to the current 30 MPH speed limit on Valebridge Road near its junction with Medway Gardens.

An application for a review of the speed limit on Rocky Lane/Valebridge Road was initially submitted by the manager of the Mill Rose Estate, who raised concern that local developments in the area have significantly increased traffic on the road and that the current 60 MPH speed limit is no longer suitable.

On investigating the application, it was identified that a number of road traffic accidents have occurred on the road, including a relatively high number of bridge strikes on the narrow bridge carrying the railway line over road where Rocky Lane becomes Valebridge Road. The route has been re-assessed and it is considered that a 40 MPH speed limit will improve safety and contribute to reducing the frequency of road traffic accidents on the route. This complies with the current West Sussex County Council Speed limit policy.

The new order is therefore proposed to avoid danger to persons or other traffic using the affected lengths of road.

The attached drawing, numbered MDS2310 shows the lengths of roads affected by the proposed order.

Director of Law & Assurance
22 September 2023
MDS2310-MM

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL
(ANSTY & STAPLEFIELD: ROCKY LANE/VALEBRIDGE ROAD) (40 MPH SPEED
LIMIT)
ORDER 2023

West Sussex County Council in exercise of their powers under Section 84 (1) a of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act"), and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Act hereby make the following Order:-

1. This Order shall come into operation on the ***** day of ***** and may be cited as "West Sussex County Council (Ansty & Staplefield: Rocky Lane/Valebridge Road) (40 MPH Speed Limit) Order 2023"
2. No person shall cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour in the length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order.
3. Nothing in Paragraph 2 shall apply to a vehicle being used by naval, military or air force purposes while being driven by a person for the time being subject to the orders of a member of the armed forces of the Crown on an occasion when –
 - (a) the person driving the vehicle is a member of the special forces as defined by the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011; and
 - (b) the vehicle is being driven-
 - (i) in response, or for practice in responding, to a national security emergency by a person who has been trained in driving vehicles at high speeds; or
 - (ii) for the purpose of training a person in driving vehicles at high speeds.

SCHEDULE
40 MPH Speed Limit

Roads in Ansty & Staplefield	Length of Restriction
Rocky Lane/Valebridge Road	From the junction of Rocky Lane with the A272, southwards to a point 45 metres south of the junction of Valebridge Road with Medway Gardens

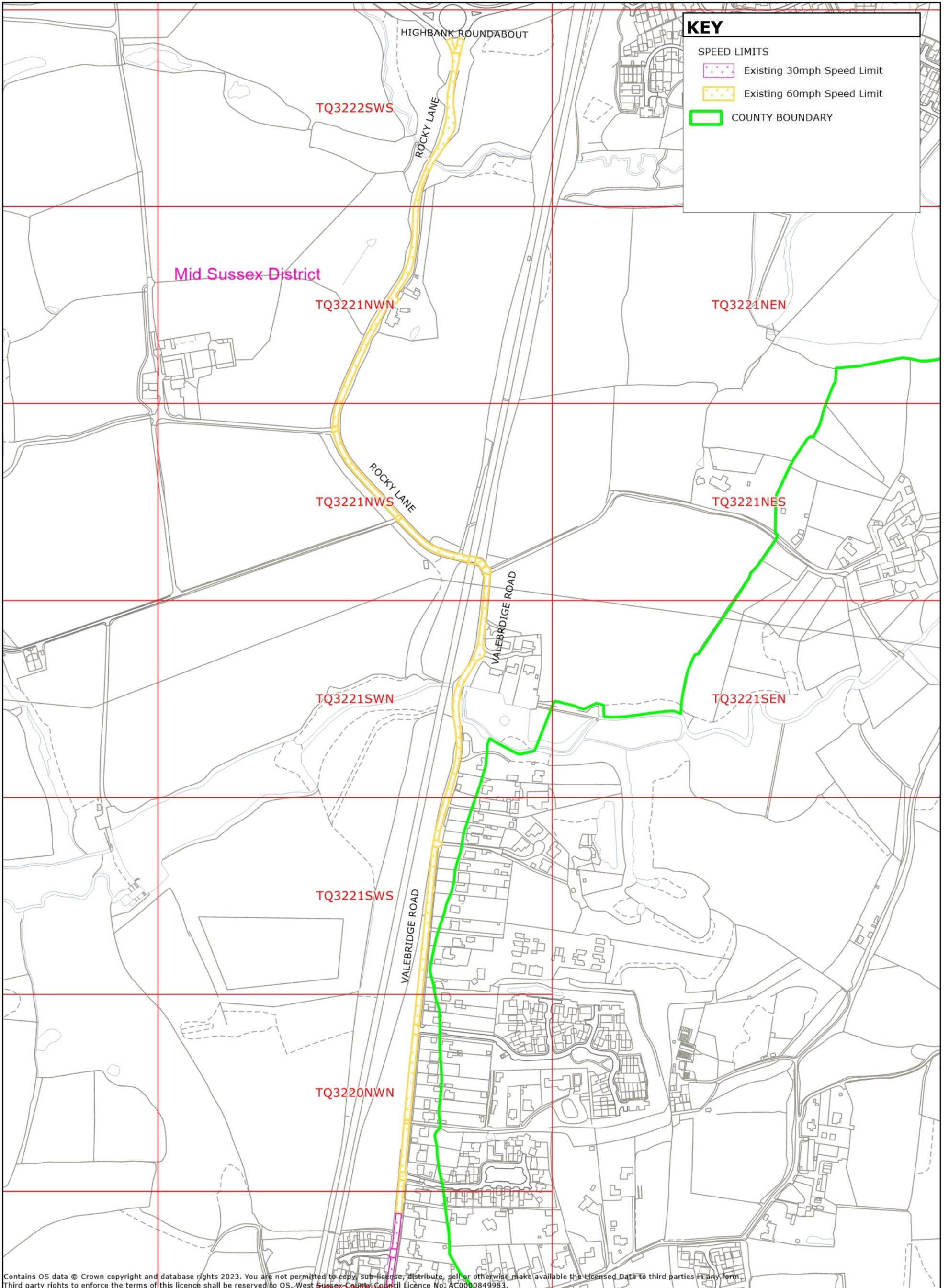
For and on behalf of WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

Authorised Signatory:

NAME:

DATE MADE:

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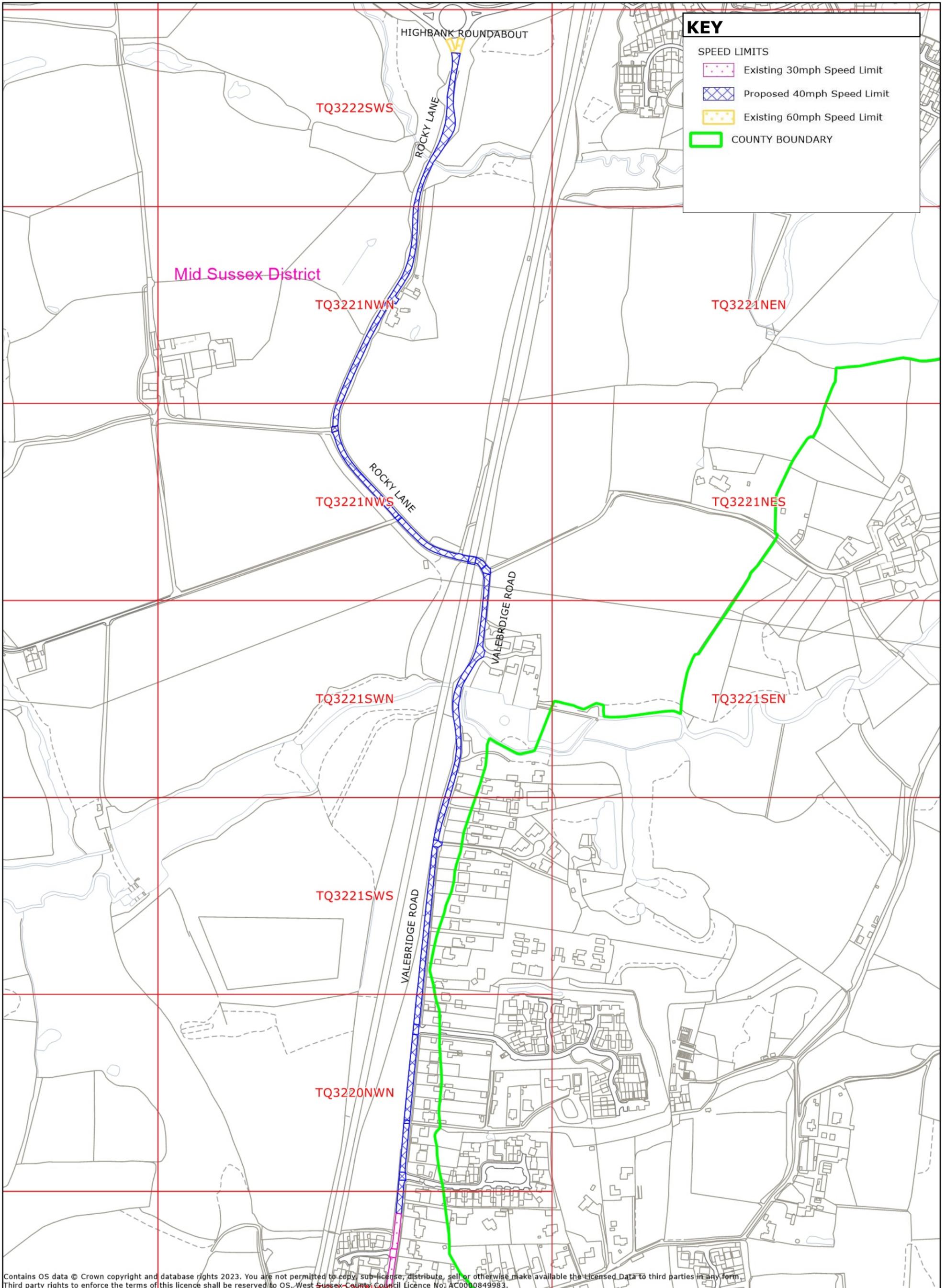
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MID-SUSSEX DISTRICT: ANSTY - ROCKY LAND & VALEBRIDGE ROAD
EXISTING SPEED LIMIT

MDS2310





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MID-SUSSEX DISTRICT: ANSTY - ROCKY LAND & VALEBRIDGE ROAD
PROPOSED 40MPH SPEED LIMIT (25/09/2023 - MMo)

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