TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO) CONSULTATION CHI8018RC - A29 Bury Road / Bury Hill

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WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL (BURY & HOUGHTON: A29 BURY ROAD/BURY HILL) (40MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2025

NOTICE is hereby given that West Sussex County Council proposes to introduce a permanent Order under the provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the effect of which will be to extend the 40mph speed limit on the A29 southwards through Bury Village and Bury Hill. The 40mph will apply from a point 100m south of Field House, southwards to a point 125m south of the South Downs Way trail, a distance of 3.5km.

Full details of the proposals in this Notice can be viewed on our website www.westsussex.gov.uk/tro. The website includes a response form for comments or objections.

Paper copies of documents will not be available to view in council offices or libraries. 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 objections or comments about the proposal must be received by 20 March 2025. These may be sent via the response form on the website, in writing to: TRO Team, West Sussex County Council, The Grange, Tower Street, Chichester, PO19 1RH; or by e-mail to: tro.consultation@westsussex.gov.uk. All correspondence should be addressed to the undersigned, quoting the reference TRO/CHI8018/RC. Only correspondence including a full name and address will be considered.

Dated 27th February 2025

Director of Law & Assurance County Hall Chichester

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL (BURY & HOUGHTON: A29 BURY ROAD/BURY HILL) (40MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2025

Statement Of Reasons For Proposing To Make The Order

The County Council in exercise of their powers under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, propose to make a permanent Order, the effect of which will be to extend the 40mph speed limit on the A29 southwards through Bury village and Bury Hill. The 40mph will apply from a point 100m south of Field House, southwards to a point 125m south of the South Downs Way Trail, a distance of 3.5km.

The A29 Bury Road runs through the middle of Bury, with key community facilities such as the Farm Shop and Bury Primary School on the opposite side to most of the residential properties.

Bury Hill is popular with motorcyclists who meet at this location with regular reports of anti-social riding. Sussex Police have this location as part of their Operation Downsway road safety initiative to target anti-social driving and motorcycle riding.

West Sussex County Council received a Community Highway Scheme request for a speed limit reduction from 50mph to 40mph on the A29 through Bury village and Bury Hill.

The application has been assessed in accordance with the West Sussex Speed Limit Policy. A 40mph speed limit is considered appropriate in this location due to the road layout and characteristics.

It is proposed that the existing 40mph speed limit be extended and the speed limit reduced to 40mph on the entire length of the A29 that is currently subject to a 50mph speed limit The 40mph speed limit will be extended from the 40mph terminal signs, located 100m south of Field House, southwards to a point 125m South of the South Downs Way trail, a total length of 3.5km.

This section of the A29 has been identified as a site with a high collision rate of both serious and fatal collisions over the years, many involving motorcycles. In the last five years two fatal collisions, two serious collisions, and eight slight collisions are recorded on this section of the A29. The reduced speed limit aims to improve road safety for the benefit of all road users.

In addition to replacing the existing terminal and speed limit repeater signs the new speed limit will be reinforced by 40mph speed roundels and red surfacing. The Vehicle Activated Signage will be replaced and upgraded along the A29.

This Order is proposed so as to avoid danger to persons or other traffic using the road or to minimise the likelihood of any such danger arising and for facilitating the safe passage of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

Drawing CHI8018: Bury & Houghton A29 Bury Hill Proposed Speed Limit (11.02.2025) shows the length of road, which is the subject of the proposed order.

Director of Law & Assurance County Hall Chichester

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL (BURY & HOUGHTON: A29 BURY ROAD/BURY HILL) (40MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 202*

West Sussex County Council in exercise of their powers under Sections 82 and 84 (1) (a) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act"), and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Act and of all other enabling powers, 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 x day of x 202* and may be cited as "West Sussex County Council (Bury & Houghton: A29 Bury Road/Bury Hill) (40mph Speed Limit) Order 202*"
- 2. The Order in the First Schedule to this Order is hereby revoked.
- 3. No person shall cause or permit any vehicle to proceed at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on the length of road specified in the Second Schedule to this Order.
- 4. Nothing in Paragraph 3 shall apply to a vehicle being used by naval, military or air force purposes while being driven by a person for the timebeing 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.

FIRST SCHEDULE Order to be revoked

Extent of revocation

West Sussex County Council (Bury and Houghton: A29 & Various Roads) (30, 40 & 50mph Speed Limits) (and Consolidation) Order 2009

Third Schedule Item 1 Fourth Schedule

SECOND SCHEDULE (40mph speed limit)

Length of road in Bury & Houghton

A29 Bury Road/Bury Hill

From a point 100m south of Field House, southwards for a distance of 3.5km to a point 100m south of the Southdowns Way trail.

For and on behalf of WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

Authorised Signatory:	
NAME:	
DATE MADE:	

