

All representations along with officers' comments and recommendations will be presented in a report to the Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Environment & Housing. **Please note that responses to any representations received will not be made until the final decision is made by the Cabinet Member.** The Council is required to give weight to the nature and content of your representations and not necessarily the quantity. Your reasons are, therefore important to us. Once a decision is made by the Cabinet Member consultees will be informed accordingly.

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Proposed Safety Measures Hillcross Primary School Ashridge Way (between Leamington Avenue and Hillcross Avenue)



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Dear Resident/Business

The Council in partnership with Hillcross Primary School and your local Ward Councillors are proposing some safety measures along this section of road within the vicinity of the school.

It is envisaged that the measures will further improve traffic flows, lower vehicle speeds, safer crossing points and contribute to a "School Safety Zone" ambience in the neighborhood and create a pleasant environment.

The Proposals include

1. To introduce a 20mph speed limit. Associative signs with a virtual speed table in thermoplastic road marking outside the school entrance. This will give the motorist the appearance of a physical vertical 'traffic calming' feature and raise their awareness to further reduce vehicle speeds in the 'zone' specifically on approach to the school entrance where children and parents congregate.

2. The implementation of junction entry tables with Woodland Way and Hillcross Avenue. This will provide a safer area for pedestrians to cross and enable vehicles to drive at lower speeds with improved visibility of the junction 'ahead' where all road users especially 'school children' are waiting to cross.

Further, the footway build-out at its junction with Hillcross Avenue will physically tighten this locality to assist in 'safer' vehicle turning movements at reduced speeds and provide a safer area with more space for pedestrians to cross a shorter distance.

3. The introduction of some road markings such as 'slow', '20mph' and school child legends.

4. To install school flashing signs on both approaches to the school entrance. This will raise motorist alertness to the presence of children on route to and from their school.

The proposed measures are shown on the plan overleaf and can also be viewed online at www.merton.gov.uk/AshridgeWaySchoolSafety.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

The Council carries out careful consultation to ensure all road users are given a fair opportunity to give their views and express their needs on parking proposals and road safety issues.

Proposed measures 1 and 2 are subject to a statutory consultation (but not footway build-out and virtual speed table).

A Notice of the Council's intention to introduce the above measures will be published in a local newspaper (The Guardian), London Gazette and posted on lamp columns in the vicinity. Representations for and against the proposals described in this Notice must be made in writing to trafficandhighways@merton.gov.uk by no later than **10th February 2017 quoting reference Ashridge Way School Safety**.

Copies of the proposed Traffic Management Notice and a larger plan may be viewed at Merton Link, Merton Civic Centre, London Road, Morden Surrey, SM4 5DX during the Council's normal office hours Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm. This information is also available on Merton Council's website www.merton.gov.uk/AshridgeWaySchoolSafety.

