

PUBLIC NOTICE

**BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL PROPOSE TO REDUCE THE SPEED LIMIT ON
PART OF PARK ROAD IN STEVINGTON**

Reason for Proposal:

It is proposed to introduce a 40mph speed limit on a 400 metre stretch of Park Road in order to act as a buffer zone, so that drivers can decelerate in a staggered fashion from 60mph to 40mph in advance of the existing 30mph speed limit rather than braking from 60mph to 30mph in one go.

Effect of the Order:

1. To introduce a 40mph speed limit on the following length of road:-

A	Park Road, Stevington
(i)	From the end of the existing 30mph speed limit (approx. 305m metres south-east of the centre of Windmill Lane), for a distance of approx. 400 metres in a south-easterly direction.

Relevant proposal documents may be examined during normal office hours at Borough Hall, Cauldwell Street, Bedford, MK42 9AP. They will also be available for viewing on the council's website at www.bedford.gov.uk/proposedtro. The documents will be placed on deposit until 6 weeks after the Order is made or until it is decided not to continue with the proposal. For further information, please contact Andrew Prigmore at Bedford Borough Council on 01234 276691.

Comments supporting or objecting to the proposal should be put in an email, stating the grounds on which they are made, and sent no later than 14th December 2023 to highway.consultations@bedford.gov.uk.

Order Title if made will be:

1. Bedford Borough Council (40mph Speed Limit) (The Parish of Stevington) Order 20**.

Dated: 16th November 2023

Borough Hall, Cauldwell Street
Bedford, MK42 9AP

Craig Austin
Director of Environment

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
(40MPH SPEED LIMIT) (THE PARISH OF STEVINGTON)
ORDER 2023

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL ("the Council") in exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 82(2), 83(2), 84(1) and 84(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended ("the Act") and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act, hereby make the following Order:-

- 1) This Order may be cited as the "Bedford Borough Council (40mph Speed Limit) (The Parish of Stevington) Order 2023" and shall come into force on 27th December 2023.
- 2) As from the date upon which this Order comes into force any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order shall cease to be a restricted road for the purposes of Section 81 of the Act.
- 3) No person shall drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 40 miles per hour on any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order.
- 4) As from the date upon which this Order comes into force the speed limits imposed by this Order shall supersede any previous speed limits on any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order, and any part of any previous speed limit Order shall hereby be revoked insofar as it applies to any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order.
- 5) No speed limit imposed by this Order applies to vehicles falling within Regulation 3(4) of the Road Traffic Exemptions (Special Forces) (Variation and Amendment) Regulations 2011 when used in accordance with Regulation 3(5) of those Regulations.

SCHEDULE

A 40mph speed limit shall apply on the following length of road:

A	Park Road, Stevington
(i)	From the end of the existing 30mph speed limit (approx. 305m metres south-east of the centre of Windmill Lane), for a distance of approx. 400 metres in a south-easterly direction.

**THE COMMON SEAL of the
BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL**
was hereunto affixed this
21st day of December 2023
in the presence of:

Authorised Signatory

AUTHORITY FOR EXECUTION		
COUNCIL/COMMITTEE	MINUTE No.	DATE
DELEGATED POWER	By whom executed ENVIRONMENT	20/12/2023
	OFFICERS INITIALS	DATE
ORIGINATED AND CHECKED BY	GM	20/12/2023
APPROVED BY	AP	20/12/2023

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STATEMENT OF REASONS

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