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ALLERDALE SPEED LIMIT REVIEW 2018: THURSBY (WEST)

Site description:

Thursby is an increasingly sizable village situated a few miles west of Carlisle. The village is subject to a 30mph limit; however a new housing development has been constructed to the west of the village, which therefore necessitates an adjustment of a speed limit in an area which is presently National Speed Limit.

Existing traffic conditions:

The existing section of highway is subject to the National Speed Limit; however the new housing development necessitates re-assessment. The new development is "self-contained", where all houses are within the boundary of the new site and there are no frontages on the section of road under review — only a single access road. The access road has been designed with "visibility splays" sufficient for speeds up to 50mph. It is therefore proposed that a 40mph limit is implemented in this area; in order to maintain speeds at a reasonable level whilst retaining the prominence and relevance of the 30mph limit further into the village.

Proposed changes to the speed limit:

To add a 40mph "buffer" to the west of the village running adjacent to the new housing development; tying into the existing 30mph speed restriction through the rest of the village.

Summary of reasons for proposed change:

To ensure that speeds are kept to moderate levels outside the new development whilst retaining the prominence and relevance of the 30mph limit further into the village.

