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Dear Parish Clerk

Speed Limit Reduction on Hollington Road, Croxden

I wonder if you could pass this letter to your Parish Councillors.

The Chair of Croxden Parish Council, Mrs Marion Kent, has asked me to write to all neighbouring Parish Councils and their Councillors to ask for support with a project that Croxden Parish Council are trying to undertake.

As you may know, the speed limit on Hollington Road, Croxden is currently the national speed limit – 60 mph – even though this road is a narrow country lane, with many bends and bridges to navigate and the Parish Council would like the speed limit reduced to 40 mph or even 30 mph.

The Parish Council believe that because the speed limit is 60mph, it encourages drivers to use this route rather than other more major routes where additional speed limits are in place.

The residents of Croxden would like to start a Speed Watch Team, but are unable too, due to the rules being that only roads that are 30 mph or 40mph are able to have a speed watch team in operation.

JCB Speed Watch team would also like to carry out their community duties to help monitor the drivers on this road, but again are not able too, due to the speed limit and the Police Speed Watch Vans are also not allowed to operate due to the 60-mph limit currently in place.

Because of the speed limit being 60 mph, no action can be taken by any law enforcement activities to help to reduce the dangerous driving that occurs on this road.

The Parish Council approached Andrew Griffiths MP so that he could witness the issue first hand and during his time at the side of the road – he was based at Keelings Lane junction on Hollington Road, he witnesses the double over of taking of cars that occurs frequently and numerous drivers exceeding the speed limit and as a result he has backed the Parish Council project to request a speed reduction.

The Parish Council has started a petition to send to Staffordshire County Council, this can be signed at St Giles Church, Croxden or by sending an email to the Clerk at croxdenparishclerk@gmail.com



once we have enough names, this petition will be sent to Mr Richard Rayson, Highways, Staffordshire County Council.

Mrs Kent, Chair of Croxden Parish Council, would request that all neighbouring Parish Councils publicise this project, either by adding a new item to your websites or to your newsletters, asking for residents to sign the petition, either in person or by an email to croxdenparishclerk@gmail.com or to write to Croxden Parish Council with a supporting letter so that we can present these letters of support to Staffordshire County Council and hopefully they will reduce the speed limit and keep residents of all parishes safe on this road.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Kind regards

Mrs VRE Gibson
Parish Clerk