Dear Occupier,

WOODSTOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL AREA – PROPOSED 20MPH ZONE.

The Leicester City Council is writing to you about a proposal to change the speed limit and install traffic calming in the area of Stocking Farm around Woodstock Primary School.

At the moment, the speed limit on these streets is 30 miles per hour and the Council is proposing a 20 miles per hour speed limit for the area in order to improve road safety. In order to help reduce speeds down to 20mph, it is proposed to install traffic calming features on Marwood Road and Halifax Drive. It is also proposed to install a set of speed cushions on Packwood Road. The proposals are shown on the two maps enclosed with this letter. If you would like further information please see over the page.

The Council would like to hear your views on these matters.

A Response Form is included with this letter. Please send this back in the envelope provided by Friday 28th March 2014 (no stamp is required). The Response Form can also be filled in on-line at http://consultations.leicester.gov.uk/

Your response will be included in a report on the proposals which goes to the City Mayor. He will decide to go ahead with the proposed changes or not.

If you would like to talk with your Ward Councillors about this please contact:

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Or if you would like to talk to me please phone (0116) 454 2868 or you can e-mail me at graham.seaton@leicester.gov.uk

Yours faithfully

Graham Seaton
Transport Development Officer.
Further Information - Proposed 20 mph zone for Woodstock Primary School

1. This proposed change will affect the following streets around Woodstock Primary School:

Appleton Avenue Whole Length
Belgrave Boulevard Whole Length
Blenheim Way Whole Length
Cashmore View Whole Length
Caswell Close Whole Length
Chilcombe Close Whole Length
Elliott Road Whole Length
Felstead Road Whole Length
Greystoke Close Whole Length
Halifax Drive From Red Hill Way to Marwood Road
Hattern Avenue From Cashmore View to Marwood Road
Helena Crescent Whole Length
Kinley Road Whole Length
Marwood Road Whole Length
Pamela Place Whole Length
Ranworth Walk Whole Length
Tolton Road Whole Length
Wheatley Road Whole Length
Woodstock Close Whole Length
Woodstock Road Whole Length

2. For the period 1st January 2008 to 31st December 2012, there were 15 recorded personal injury accidents on streets affected by the proposals. Of these 12 were classed as slight and 3 were classed as serious. There were 6 accidents involving pedestrians of which 3 involved injury to child pedestrians. One accident involved injury to a child cyclist.

3. The traffic calming features are proposed to be speed cushions which can be overridden by ambulances, fire tenders and buses. These cushions are manufactured from recycled shredded tyres.

4. It is proposed to make the existing school keep clear zig zag lines around Woodstock Primary School mandatory. This will prohibit stopping on the markings.

5. The streets on the southern side of Stocking Farm do not form part of the current proposal; however, if this scheme is considered successful, then these streets will form part of a future bid for funds.

6. It is considered that, should the scheme go ahead, there may be a degree of traffic displacement onto Woodstock Road and Cashmore View. Traffic surveys have been undertaken in the area which could be repeated after installation to ascertain the extent of any displacement. Should there prove to be an issue, then further measures can be undertaken to address any problem.

7. This proposed change is part of a programme of new 20mph zones for 2012/2013 and beyond which was confirmed by the Deputy City Mayor on 12th June 2012. Money has been set aside by the Council from the Integrated Capital Programme to pay for these changes. Money from developers will also contribute to the scheme. It is estimated that the cost of the scheme will be £37,000.

8. If this proposal for Woodstock Primary School is approved, then the changes are likely to come into force in the summer of 2014.