Highway Improvement Request Form Abberd Lane Signage

1. Introduction

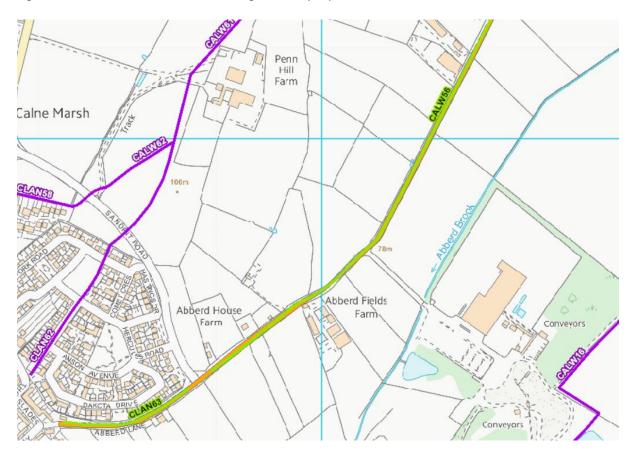
In March 2022, the Council received a Highway Improvement Request Form, from a local resident who lives on Abberd Lane (to the east of Calne). The issue related to speeding Heavy Goods Vehicles using the lane.

The Highway Improvement Request Form (with personal information redacted) is included as Appendix A.

2. Background

Abberd Lane is actually classified as a Bridleway (CALW56). It is not part of the highway network, although it does carry a private road accessing the Hills Waste Recycling Centre, as well as other businesses such as the High Penn Solar Farm.

Figure 1 – extract from Wiltshire Council Rights of Way Explorer:



However, in March 2022, the first section of the Bridleway ostensibly looked like part of the public highway network, particularly given the presence of two large National Speed Limit signs at the entrance, and due to the bridleway being constructed to highway standards, as shown in the photograph below.

Figure 2 – view of Abberd Lane from 5th April 2022



Following discussion with Wiltshire Council, the two National Speed Limit signs have been removed.

3. Proposal

It is proposed to replace the two National Speed Limit signs with two bespoke Public Bridleway signs as shown below:

Figure 3 – proposed replacement signs.



This proposal has been discussed with both Wiltshire Council and Hills Waste Solutions Ltd, with no objections raised.

The cost is estimated as follows:

Item	Quantity	Total Cost (excl. VAT)	Total Cost (incl. VAT)
Bespoke public bridleway sign 450mm x 600mm RA1 aluminium, reflective, with rails	2	£263.60	£316.32
Delivery		£9.91	£11.89
Stainless Steel One Piece 'D' Type Channel Sign Clip 76mm	4	£4.64	£5.57
Delivery		£2.75	£3.30
Total		£280.90	£337.08

4. Recommendation

It is recommended that the Council that the Council considers the proposed scheme and authorises the purchase and installation of the new signs at an estimated cost not exceeding £350 (excluding VAT).

Cllr John Barnes Highways, Transport & Road Safety Working Group

Highways Improvement Request Form

Contact Details

Name:		Date:	09/03/2022
Address:			
Telephone	No:		
Email Addr	ess:		

Issue Details

Location of Issue:	Abberd Lane /Spitfire Road , Abberd , Calne SN11 8TE	
Community Area:	Calne	
Parish or Town Council:	Calne	

Nature of Issue:

We live in a detached house in Abberd Lane / Spitfire road in Abberd, Calne. The road is in national speed limit which leads to couple of factories. With lots of HGV traffic at high speed, the house has been having severe vibrations. We have also noticed new cracks in the first floor walls.

Because of the vibrations caused by the HGV traffic , my wife who works from home , has been finding it very difficult to work . And also disturbs my 5 and 2 year old's early morning sleep because of the HGV traffic early in the morning. This issue has been affecting the physical and mental well being of our family. And also it would cause significant structural damage to our house soon

How long has it been an issue?	Since Moving in Oct 2021

What would you like done to resolve this issue?

We believe if there was significant reduction in speed limit to the road where we reside, the vibrations caused by HGV traffic would significantly reduce

Have you been in touch with your local Wiltshire Councillor? (Yes/No)	No
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This form needs to be completed and e-mailed or sent to your local Town or Parish Council.

Town and Parish contact details are available via the link below:

https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/mgParishCouncilDetails.aspx

Town or Parish Council Comments: (To be completed by Town or Parish Council only)

