

The 24 roads where speed limits are changing in Leicestershire

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More routes are to have their speed limits reduced



Leicestershire County Council has announced that 24 more rural routes will be having their speed limits reduced.

The plans are an extension of a project which has already seen 11 locations having their speed limit reduced from 60mph to 50mph.

The roads that are having their speed limits reduced including routes in Ibstock, Ashby Parva and Thurlaston among others.

The decision to reduce the speed limits was taken after a study on collisions was carried out by the council in 2017.

The study found that 60 percent of collision which cause injury on rural routes involved drivers exceeding the 60mph speed limit or driving at inappropriate speeds.

It was also revealed that on more than half of the 272km of rural routes, the number of collisions resulting in injury was higher compared to other roads.

Councillor Blake Pain, cabinet member for environment and transport, said: "ne're fully committed to reducing risks on our road network and the study

showed that the number of collisions resulting in injuries remains high where the speed limit is 60mph.

"Reducing the speed limit will, hopefully, make a positive change to drivers' behaviour and improve safety and I'm delighted that we are including more routes as part of the scheme."

The road marking and signs will also be reviewed to give enough warning of road conditions to drivers, such as severe bends and junctions.

The council are also monitoring other routes to see where else would benefit from a speed limit reduction.

The routes which will have their speed limits reduced are:

- C5402 Kibworth Harcourt, Tur Langton
- C7701 Ashby Parva, Bittesby
- Melton Road, Scalford
- Melton Road, Clawson
- Shepshed Road, Charley, Ulvescroft
- Gallow Field Road, Foxton
- Wymondham Drift, Wymondham
- C6604 Peatling Parva, Shearsby
- C6601 Lutterworth to Gilmorton
- Oakham Road, Somerby to Cold Overton
- A5199, Kilby, Arnesby, Shearsby, Knaptoft
- A47 Earl Shilton, Thurlaston
- A426 Lutterworth, Bitteswell, Ashby Parva
- A444 Stretton-en-le-Field
- A512 Belton, Shepshed
- A606 Burton and Dalby, Somerby
- A607 Croxton Kerrial, Waltham
- A6006 Broughton, Old Dalby, Grimston
- B585 Ibstock
- B4114 Sharnford, Sapcote, Stoney Stanton
- B4669 Sapcote, Burbage
- B6047 Melton Mowbray, Burton & Dalby
- C4308 Houghton on the Hill, Billesdon
- Green Lane, Eaton

The first stage of the speed limit reductions to 50mph are on the following rural routes:

- B591 – from Ingleberry Road to the A511, Copt Oak

- Fleckney Road, Wistow
- Oakham Road, Tilton on the Hill
- Fenn Lanes, Sutton Cheney
- C8314, Sproxton to Croxton Kerrial
- Long Lane, Redmile
- Wood Lane, Redmile
- B676 – from Burton on the Wolds to Shoby Crossroads
- A606 – between Nether Broughton and Ab Kettleby
- Oaks Road, Whitwick
- Abbey Road, Whitwick