

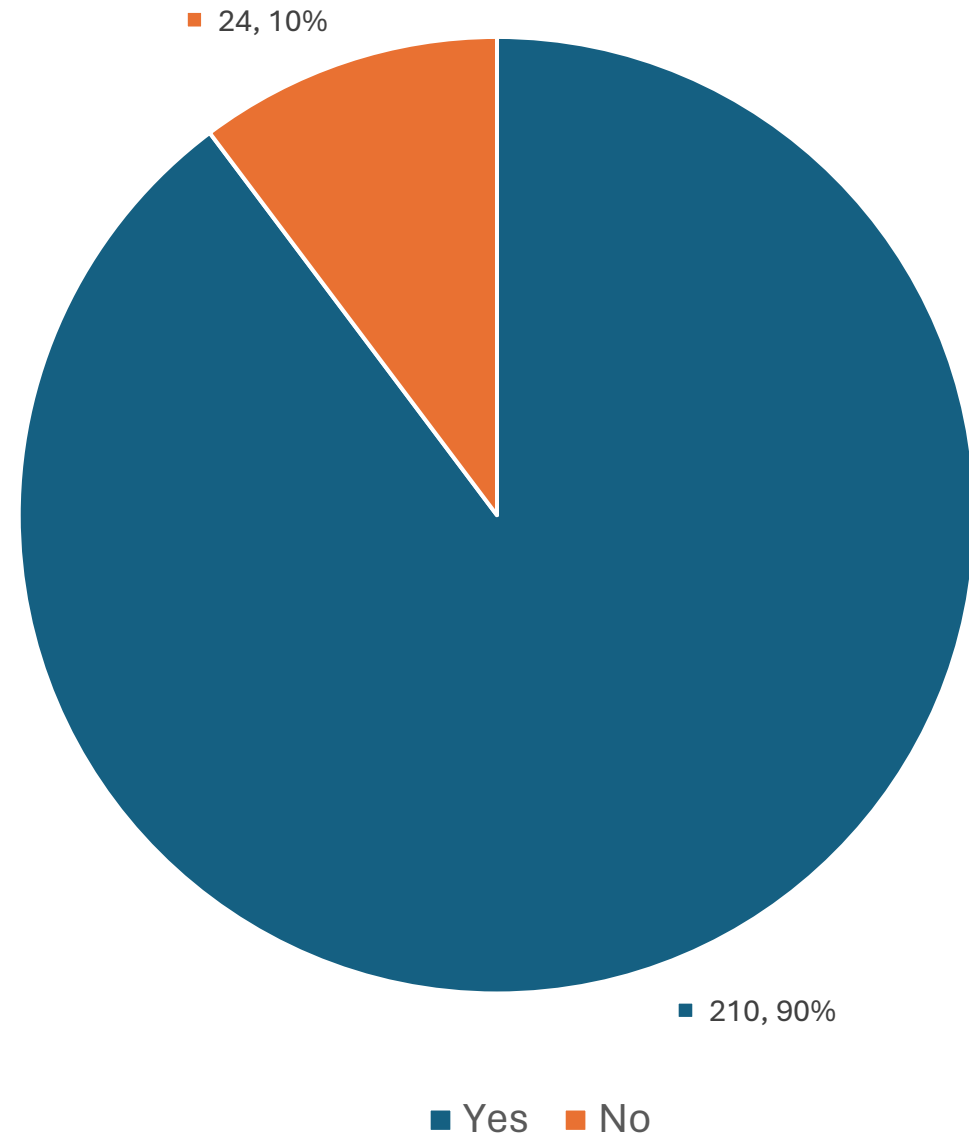
Survey Results

Traffic Calming in Cuckfield



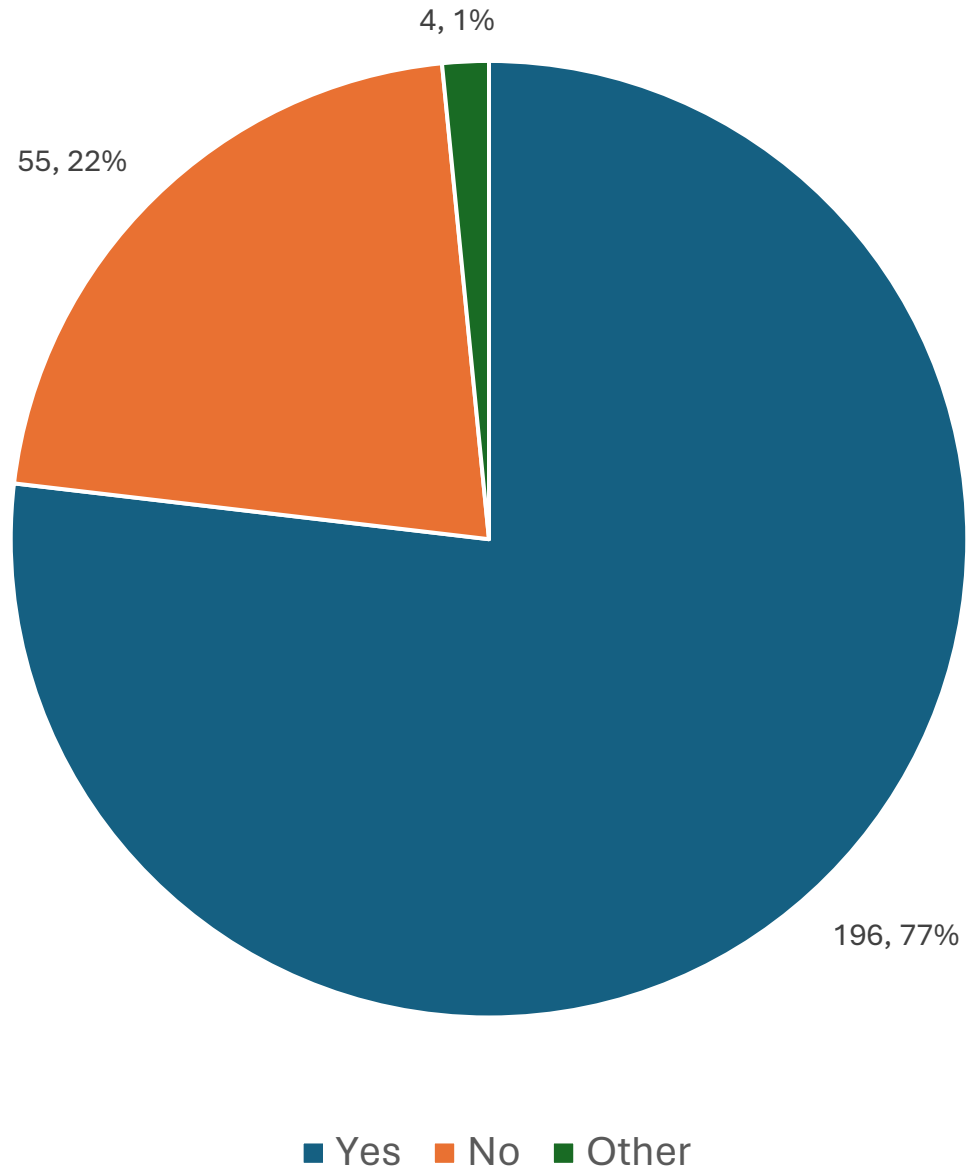


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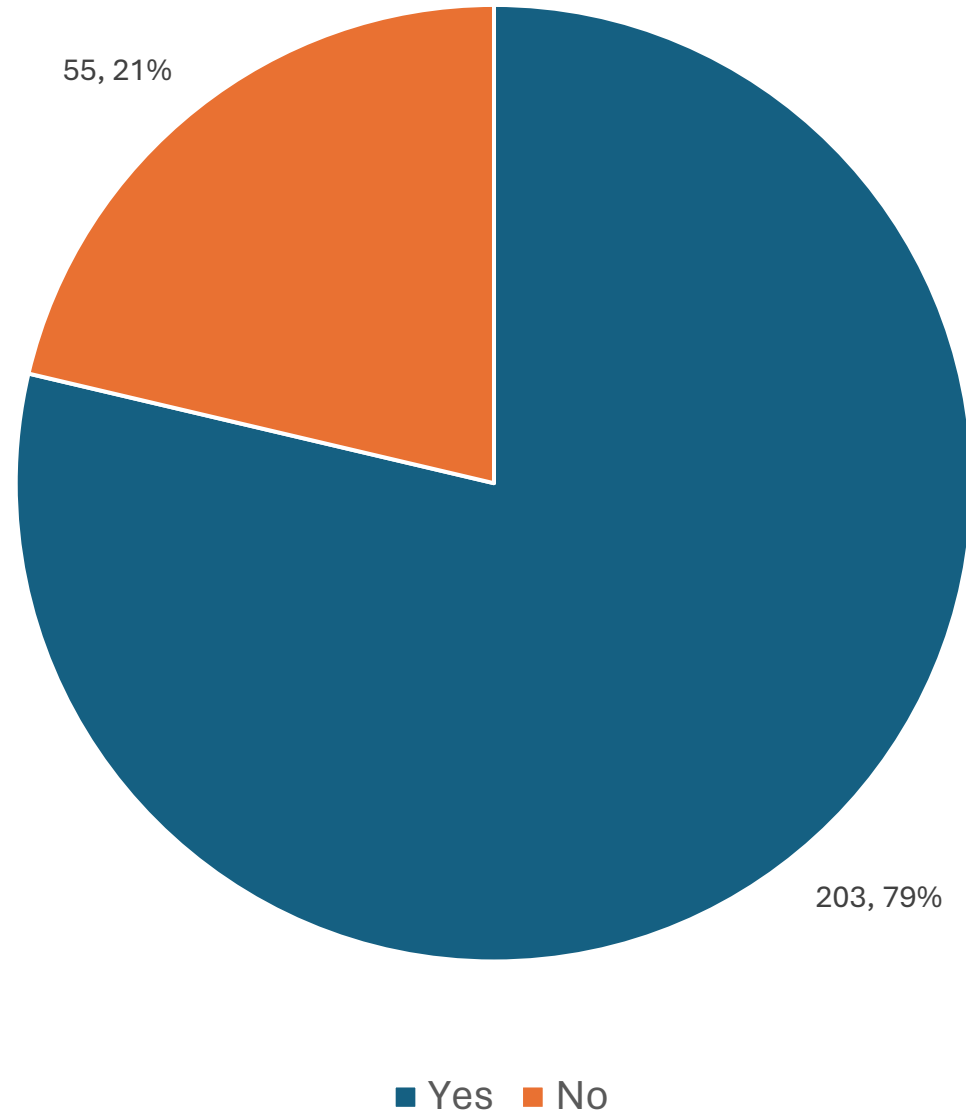




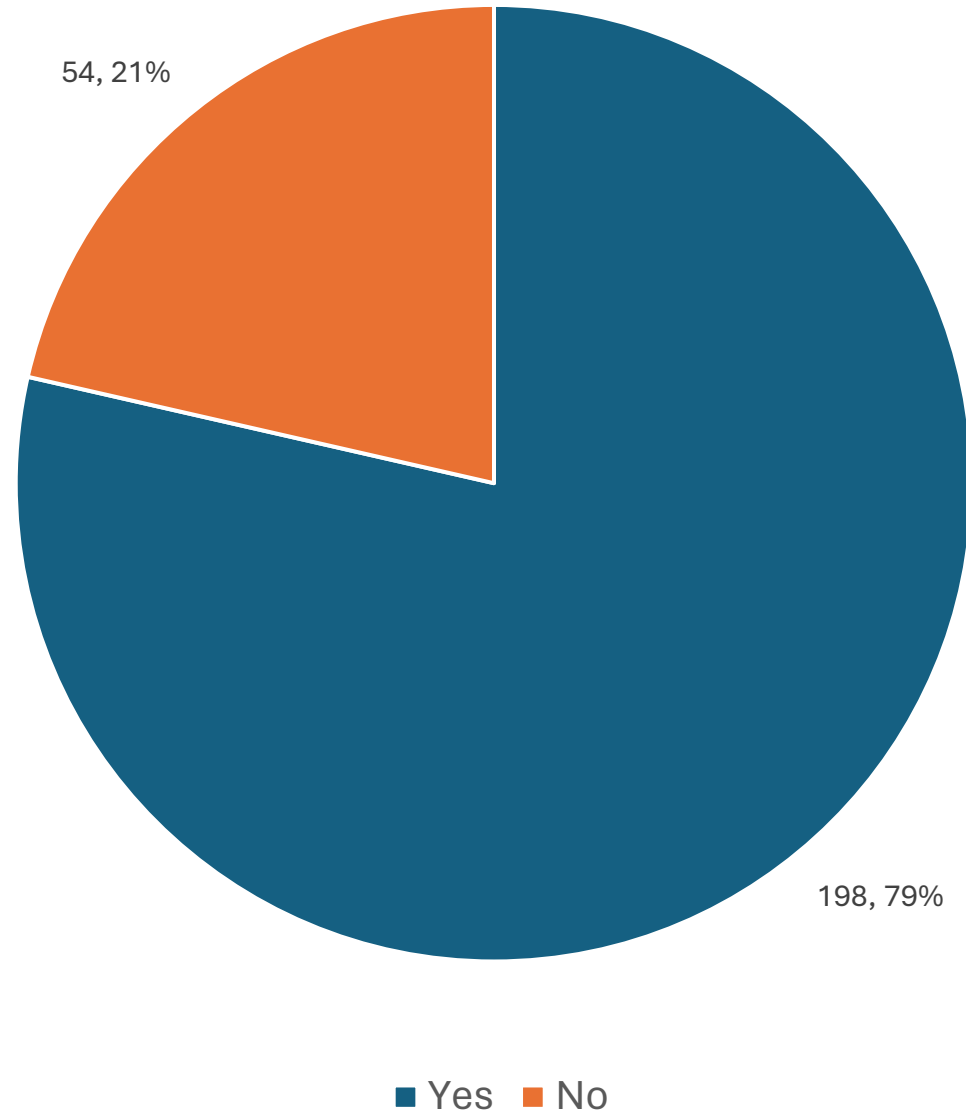
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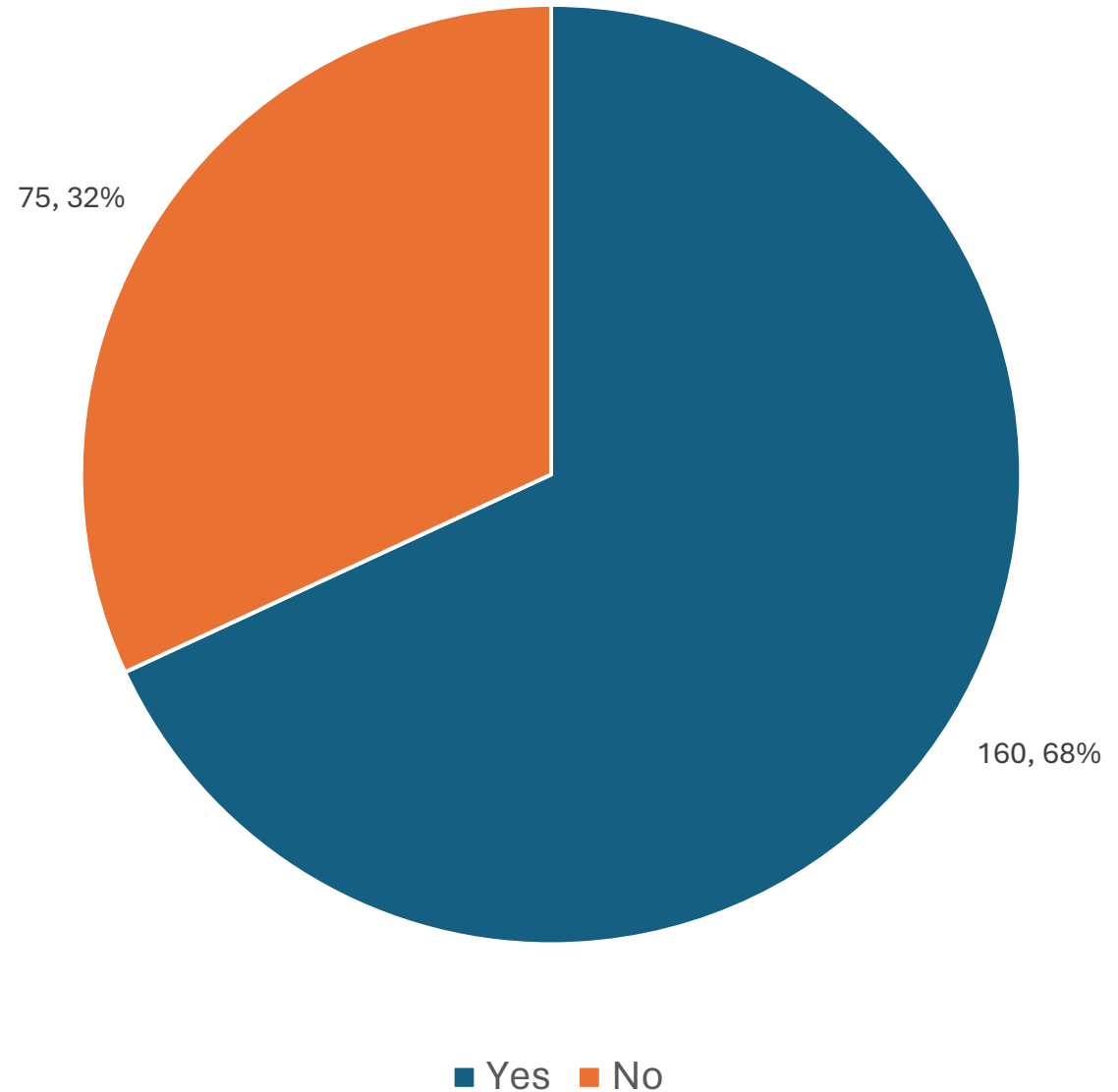
Would you support 20mph limit on London Lane?



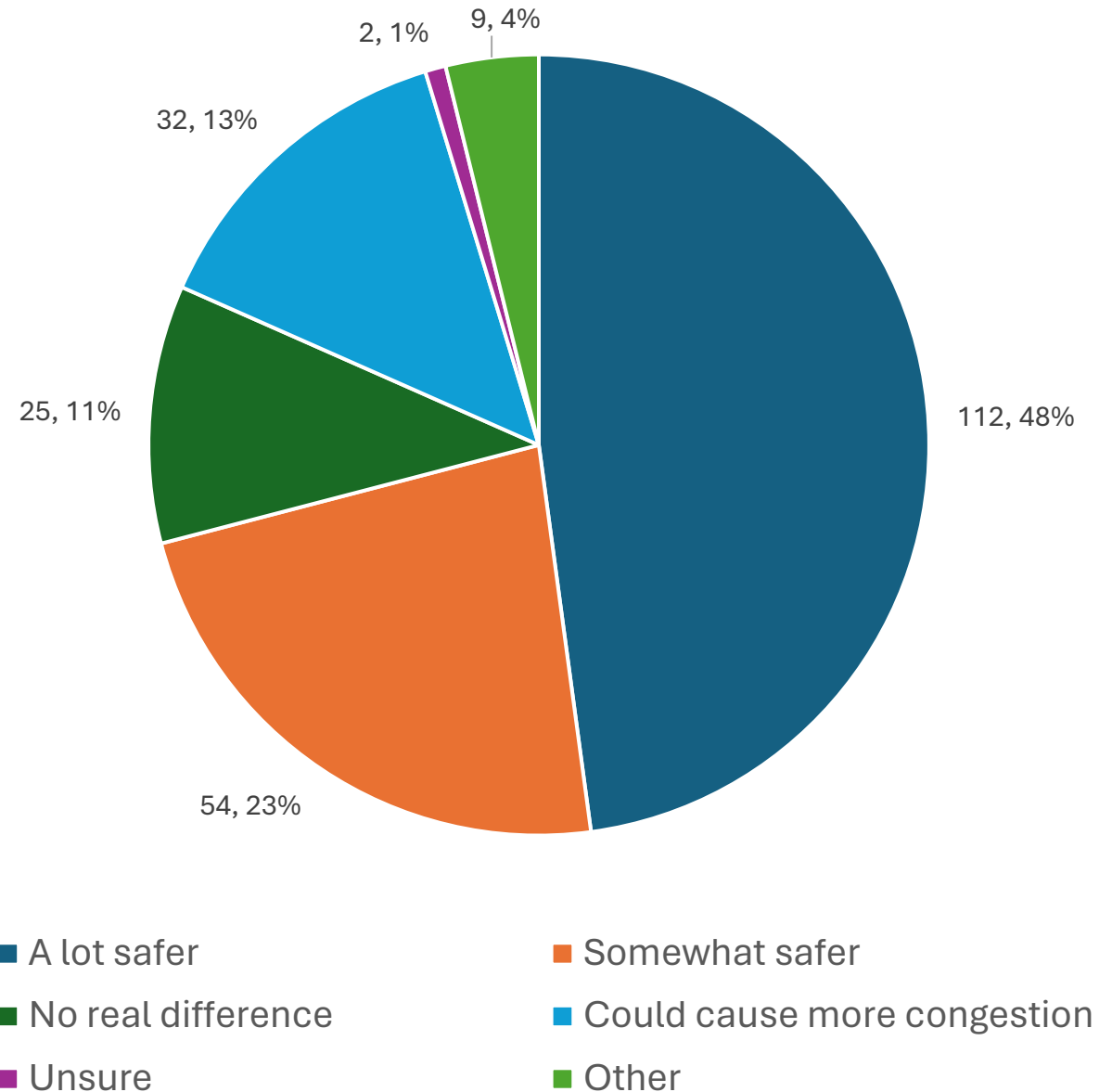
Would you support 20mph limit on South Street and High Street?



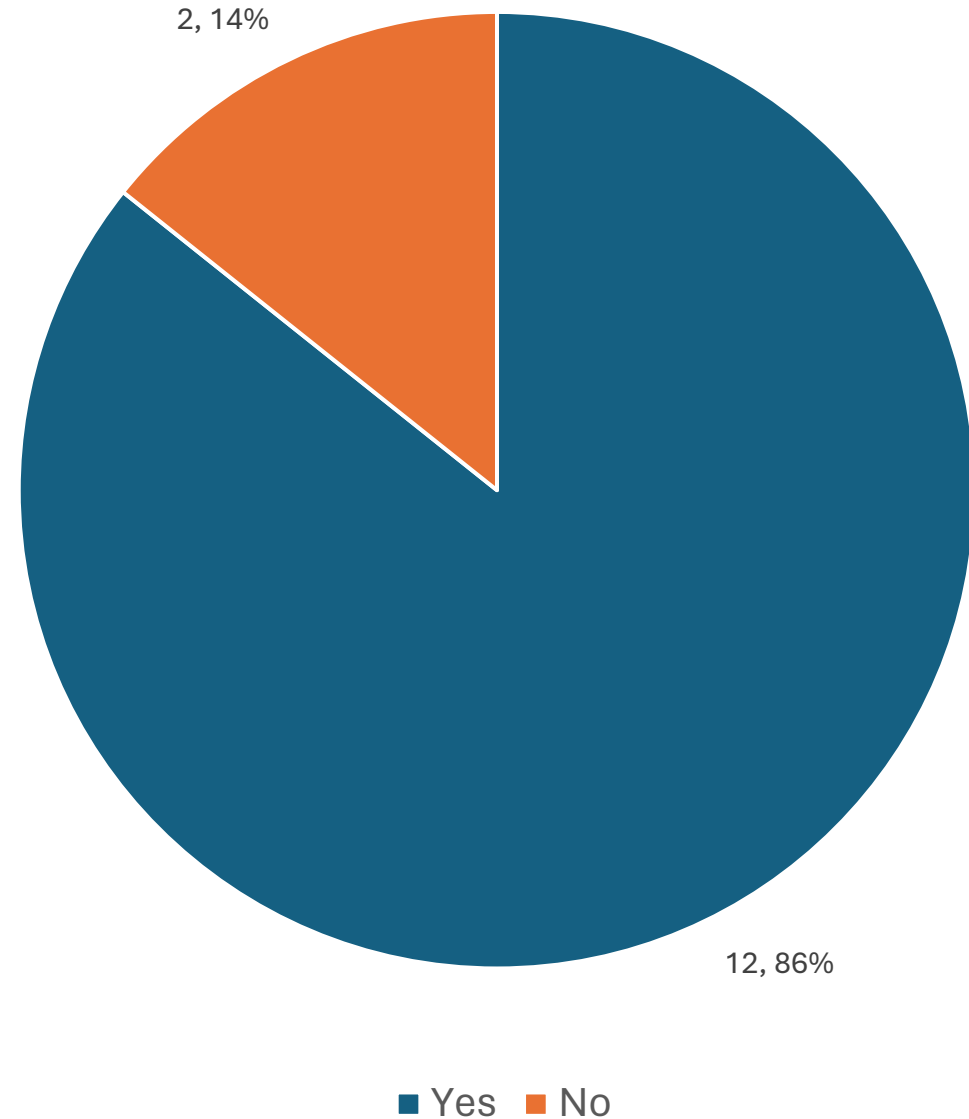
Would you support 20mph limit on Broad Street from High Street to Warden Park Academy?



What impact do you believe a 20mph limit around the centre of Cuckfield would have?



Would you like to see a pelican crossing installed on Ardingly Road?
(APM Vote)



Additional comments

- It should not be village wide.
- It will be mostly locals who get the speeding tickets
- On 2 of the 3 roads listed 20mph is the speed that the majority of traffic already travels at.
- Good idea
- You can barely get up to 20mph anyway. 20mph zones even in Brighton aren't enforceable.
- Waste of resources
- Think at busy times can only do 20mph anyway. Would be extremely annoying if limited to that speed all the time.
- It needs to be put in place, especially to make it safer for school age children.
- Whitemans Green needs some traffic calming. Rarely do cars travel at 30mph either entering or leaving Cuckfield. It's a nightmare to cross the road to get to the Green too.
- No further comment
- One way needed system needed or double yellow lines along London Lane
- The pavement down London Lane narrows significantly this is very dangerous especially at school times, all it takes is one incident which is waiting to happen, the calming needs to happen.
- People drive far too quickly around the village so thank you for taking the time to consider this. Next are the Lorry's down London lane.
- It's not easy to speed through the bottom end of Cuckfield given the amount of parked cars
- Sadly people will often go above the speed limit so hopefully a 20mph limit would low traffic to 30mph!!
- A great idea and would things down considerably in the village making it a lot safer just hope that people would abide by it
- These haven't worked in London and cause chaos, let's stop all the big truck coming through our village
- The best thing would be a full pedestrianisation of the high street from the mini roundabout down to the old course, with access only for people who live in that area, by permit.

Additional comments

- Review parking on the main street it causes bottlenecks.
- Car users continue to use Cuckfield as a racetrack in which to drive through. Cars drive down London Lane at dangerous speeds in particular. This is made all the more dangerous by the narrow pedestrian path along the road. A 20mph limit would make this road considerably safer.
- I think you also need to make London lane one way with speed bumps and widen the path
- We have a primary school and secondary school in close proximity of each other these children would be safer if cars could be driving a slower speed, even though they are meant to at school hours, people don't.
- 20mph would mean greater safety for children getting to and from both Warden Park and Holy Trinity schools, I also think the reduced speed limit would encourage more people to find alternative routes into Haywards Heath, rather than using Cuckfield as a rat run.
- Stop reckless driving at excessive / dangerous driving through the village
- Really worth exploring.
- We need to focus on the numerous potholes in Cuckfield instead of worrying about a speed change. There's already backed up cars so there not travelling especially in excess of 30 at peak times. Potholes make cars sweet to avoid them and that's where the danger is.
- You can rarely go above 20 miles an hour anyway because of parked cars so save the cost of putting signage up
- Sometimes you have to go over 20mph to get past the parked cars in Broad St.
- I would like the 20mph limit to be extended beyond the Rose and Crown roundabout North to Ardingly Road roundabout
- Would be safer for the many school children and might stop those using village as a rat run.
- I would like to see a 20mph zone across all of Cuckfield. From the roundabout at Tyler's Green, the rugby club at Whitemans Green, Borde Hill on Hanley Lane and Cuckfield Park or the cricket club. I would also like to see some form of enforcement installed as many people disregard the speed limits currently in place. I'd like to see Cuckfield take a lead in deciding that the safety of pedestrians takes priority over the convenience of drivers.

Additional comments

- Cars race down London lane especially now there are less cars parked along the road. It's really dangerous walking children to and from school. London lane could do with some traffic calming measures (narrowing in parts) to deter people from speeding down there.
- With 2 schools within the village its for the benefit of the children and parents
- The 20 mph zone should be from the high street to the roundabout adjoining the bypass. Most children walk from that direction to school, so it makes no sense to stop it at Warden Park.
- Add Glebe Road and sort school parking out
- Can we please consider Hanlye Lane which is a real worry?
- London lane has the potential to be incredibly dangerous during the school run. This area has the highest need to be a 20mph zone.
- The sooner the better
- The speed needs to be looked at coming out of cuckfield co-op to Whitemans Green.
- Whitemans Green! Cars come along exceeding 30mph limit
- 20mph limits do not improve safety - they just irritate people. Not just drivers, but those waiting to cross a road have to wait longer for car to reach and then pass them before crossing. 20mph increases pollution - cars spend longer on your road, so you'll get more fumes. As an ex teacher, children aren't taught Green Cross Code or any other road crossing safety measures. Get it back in National Curriculum and teach it. Parents have obligation to teach children how to cross the road properly - but they don't. Traffic parking and the bends in the main thoroughfares of Cuckfield prevents speeding traffic. Look at Ditchling! AND please....if there's a 20mph limit - ensure cyclists keep to it, otherwise don't do it. Cyclists cause more accidents than anyone else. And finally, remember that one day, an ambulance or police car will need to reach you in a hurry and the congestion will impact their arrival time. Keep to 30mph and use more of the "smiley face light" signs as seen towards Brook Street and by the Rugby Club. AND they're cheaper!
- Zone should be extended to the beginning of the village on South Street
- Great idea

Additional comments

- Safer when walking on pavements along London Lane if traffic was slower.
- Due to the number of parked vehicles in Cuckfield, traffic rarely travels faster than 20mph. Enforcing such a speed limit will have little impact on road safety and will cause more congestion. This will also result in increased emissions due to vehicles idling
- 20mph would also discourage through traffic.
- The Parked cars on these roads means more often than not you are driving around 20 mph
- Slowing traffic down will make walking down London Lane safer for children and parents who are walking to Holy Trinity and Warden Park school too.
- Cars drive too fast along London lane and the pavement is very narrow. My son tripped over while walking to school and almost fell into the road. It is an accident waiting to happen with school drop off and pick up times extremely busy with foot traffic walking both ways on the narrow pavement and cars driving too fast
- Pinch points on all these roads mean 20 is probably a safer speed anyway. These changes will have no effect on speeding on London Road and bad driving at the Rose and Crown roundabout. though. One thing that would improve pedestrian safety is for pavement maintenance and garden hedge cutting back to distance pedestrians from the traffic.
- The reduction of the speed limit in the village is vitally important to improve safety for children walking to school. Further consideration should be give to reducing the speed limit from Tyler's green roundabout to broad street from 40 to 30.
- There is a huge amount of congestion and traffic at the top of the village, feeding from HH to the M23. This needs to be looked as the current infrastructure cannot cope with the flow of traffic.
- it is the volume of traffic which is the bigger problem, rather than the speed
- I believe published research shows impact of safety to be negligible

Additional comments

- Completely unnecessary, to the best of my knowledge there hasn't been a single accident caused by excess speed in the 4 years I've lived in the village, apart from a couple of incidents when the drivers were drunk and wouldn't have obeyed a 20mph limit anyway
- If speed limits are changed how are they going to be enforced ????
- Repeat the traffic signs on regular intervals to remind road users to adjust their speed.
- I still regularly see people driving much faster than the speed limit so not sure how much this will impact these drivers
- I live near the zebra crossing on Ardingly Road and very often cars do not stop, so calming measures will hopefully encourage this
- London lane has to be the priority
- School hours drop and pick up 20mph in London Lane I do agree with
- A person's survivability at 20mph vs 30mph is about 7-10 times higher and stopping distances are halved (12m vs 23m or 3 vs 6 car lengths). We have many children living in Cuckfield. 3767 people live in this village and 25% are children. 25% are elderly. Both these groups are more likely to die as a result of a collision with a car than the other 50% living here. Cuckfield is used by many as a cut through. It's a thoroughfare so the danger to our more vulnerable comes mainly from outside the village. 20mph in a village is perfectly reasonable and will very likely save lives at the expense of a loss of a few seconds travel time through the village. It's a no brainer.
- Ardingly Road should also be considered due the the volume of people who use the road daily especially children going to and from school
- London lane is an accident waiting to happen at school drop off and pick up times. The only time traffic slows is if a car is parked on the road that slows cars down or under heavy traffic conditions. Cars drive too fast and the pavement is extremely narrow. Speed bumps would help slow traffic permanently
- I think anything to calm speed around the schools and preschools is a good thing

Additional comments

- Implement other traffic calming measures such as chicanes. Use proper speed cameras that lead to fines and convictions.
- It is a very good idea. With lots of schools and nurseries in the village there are large numbers of children and young people walking at certain times. Cars still drive very fast down London Lane and Broad Street even with pavements packed with children. I think chicanes are a good idea as well as the flashing angry face/happy face signs. It's much better outside our road when the angry face is there
- Should have one way system a long London lane, broad street and the high street to make more parking available and be able to have wider paths
- I believe that the roadside speed indicator boards are the best way of reminding motorists of the speed limit and any investment would be best spent on more of these permanently sited.
- My elderly father nearly got knocked down by a van speeding through the village last month. I feel a 20mph zone would maybe at least make people think about their speed and reduce it
- 20mph zones should be used where it's essential. London Lane is a prime example where the footpath and the road are both narrow and a lot of young school children use it. The High Street is similar. Rather than 20mph zones in other areas speed cameras/guns should be used, certainly on the way between the Rose and Crown and Whitemans Green/Ardingly Road where many people speed unnecessarily.
- We need to have a police person in the village!
- These will need some enforcement too.... thanks
- Very much needed
- Double yellow lines need to be on the bend in Broad Street near the junction of Courtmead Road. Warden Park parents park all on the bend making it unsafe to drive through there.
- This would benefit the safety of everyone who lives and visits the village
- Carry it on up the high street
- Most traffic in these areas cannot go faster than 20mph much of the time but it might help at less busy times.

Additional comments

- Should be wider than just the centre. Ardingly Road is a racetrack!
- It would be much safer as I see cars going over 30mph all the time.
- There is no need for 20 mph zones in any of the areas suggested. London Lane and South Street already have so many obstacles that 30 mph is impossible to attain. And there is no need on Broad Street where 30 mph is a prudent speed. The roadway is wide and visibility is good. Perhaps 20 mph flashing lights could be used at school times near the Academy at most.
- The measure will be good for the safety of pedestrians and cyclists.
- Should extend it up to Whiteman's Green
- Access only restriction for HGVs in town centre.
- I feel it is definitely worth trying although I fear that it may not be adhered to.
- It will also help to reduce vehicle noise pollution in the village, particularly noticeable with vehicles accelerating out of the village from South Street.
- 20mph imperative on roads with narrow pathways. Along with signage to remind people of limits in place
- I do support the proposal for a 20mph limit but fear that it will cause some drivers to become even more aggressive when driving behind someone actually adhering to the speed limit.
- There seems to be a lot of road rage around the roundabout by jimmy's barbers, not sure why. Maybe traffic calming bolards may help like in Ditchling?
- I don't believe it helps to calm traffic. Due to so many parked cars on the street, making a 20mph limit will cause a lot of stress, traffic and accidents. Even in London these measurements were found not a good exercise therefore they are preparing to starch it. I believe 30mph is more than enough.
- I support 20mph on London Lane in part (say from Glebe Rd to the Rose and Crown roundabout) as the cars parking in the road make it extremely dangerous.

Additional comments

- Traffic calming is a temporary way forward I do feel that more stricter measures should be enforced especially down London Lane the pavement. is very narrow in places and an accident is waiting to happen especially in the school hours . I do feel that road narrowing is needed with the use of chicanes, emergency vehicles would still be able to use the road as I know a one way proposal was also an idea but always gets dismissed because of emergency vehicles
- Cars already travel at mostly 20 through these areas due to parked cars, pedestrians and the winding nature of the road. An area of more concern is Whitemans Green where a much wider road combined with fewer parked cars means people enter the village at speed and continue to speed down to the London Lane roundabout. It would be much more sensible to introduce traffics calming measures at the top of town.
- Traffic calming chicanes down London Lane. They have them in Ditchling therefore why can't we have them here or speed cameras and fine people for racing down the lane
- A lot of time and effort with little impact.
- I have lived in London Lane for 32 years and I really hope the 20 mph zones will be implemented however I feel that is not enough. I watch the traffic going past our house every day with Holy Trinity children, their younger siblings and Warden Park pupils and it is an absolute miracle there hasn't been a fatality or serious injury. I fear it is only a matter of time and then we will ask why nothing was done sooner or better than 20 mph zone, which is great but not enough.
- During school hours and close to schools but 30mph adequate outside these times & areas
- Most definitely needed around the two schools
- I think enforcement by cameras would enable some recourse to residents who have their cars continually damaged (but not owned up to) by passers by

Additional comments

- Only do it if you can enforce it otherwise it is meaningless. Please also enforce the yellow lines on the High Street to make it safer. It's not speed that's the issue there but the parked cars outside the Talbot and by Tom's cafe.
- Current regulations aren't enforced lack of signage people think it's a 40mph
- Also need to examine car parking along the High Street
- Support
- It will be effective off peak, during busy periods traffic generally is little more than 20mph. Even more so with the potholes opening up everywhere or down London Lane/Broad Street nr Hatchlands where parked cars slow it down.
- Dreadful idea. This is a village. Cars are needed. We do not live in Wales!
- I feel 20mph is so very slow in this day & age 30 is far more acceptable.
- Please also consider Ardingly Road. It's a rat run with high speeds and drivers going across the centre of the road on the bend
- It would be good to have calming further down Broad Street past Warden Park as the cars really speed along the road coming from the Haywards Heath roundabout. Even a speed monitor would be helpful now it's a 30mph zone. Most cars still do a lot more than 30mph along the stretch to Wheatsheaf and Warden Park.
- Any opportunity to slow traffic within the increasingly congested roads around Cuckfield would be sensible.
- People are driving to fast in and around the village and need to slow down!!
- It would help road safety if there were no parking areas in certain 'black spots', such as South Road opposite Church Platt and Broad Street opposite the exit to Courtmead Road and 50 yards either side. Parking in these areas is contrary to the Highway Code because it is opposite a junction and quite hazardous

Additional comments

- I think that this might help by forcing lorry's to use the Cuckfield bypass
- Not sure it can be policed adequately
- London lane desperately needs something to calm it down, including a cycle lane which would help for children going to school
- I would rather that the effort is spent on addressing the parking issues along the top section of London road which causes an issue for both vehicles and pedestrians
- Stop heavy lorries passing through the High Sreet
- London lane is clearly particularly dangerous. A lot of money was wasted in half hearted 'traffic calming' with no benefit
- Need to be enforced with cameras or other measures.
- Maybe some speed humps would be a good idea
- Extend 20mph for all village including up to Whitemans Green and the Co-op. Why should that be omitted?
- Will improve the amenity for shoppers, pedestrians and cyclists
- Make London Lane one way only, the footpath is dangerously busy with schoolchildren
- Speed camera needed on London Lane. Very unsafe for pedestrians with young children on narrow footpath with drivers speeding
- The High Street usually has lots of cars parked, so you probably drive at less than 20mph already. London Lane, with it's narrow pavement for children going to school, should be the priority.
- Most of the traffic is caused by those using Cuckfield as the fastest route to M23. They don't live in the village and have no regard for people or parked cars in the village. I doubt they would honour a 20 mile limit. The cost of new signage could be better used to fix the potholes and improve the road surface.

Additional comments

- Anything that helps reduce traffic speed is welcome
- The whole village should be 20mph
- 20mph at Whitemans Green to golf club.
- Unnecessary since the vast majority of the time it is unsafe to drive faster than 20 on most parts of these roads, hence is already illegal in those instances
- Not at this time
- Traffic is naturally controlled by parked cars and pedestrian activity. It is difficult to get above 20mph on the High Street or western Broad Street anyway. This would discourage busses from using the routes as they would be delayed. It would be almost impossible and expensive to support and mostly penalise residents not people passing through.
- Can this 20mph zone apply for all of Cuckfield and Whiteman's Green - i.e. Whitemans Green and Ardingly Rd?
- Whitemans Green is another area where drivers consistently ignore the 30mph limit; there is a nursery on the green and pedestrians including mothers with buggies (myself included) feel unsafe when cars are driving extremely fast and pavements are narrow.
- The 20mph limit should extend north of Rose & Crown to include Whitemans Green roundabout and the petrol station.
- London Lane is a road heavily used by primary school children walking to school. It is a miracle that no one has been seriously hurt given the speed at which cars drive down London Lane.
- This is a really stupid idea. The traffics moves slow enough around Cuckfield. The only thing that would make a difference is a north bypass. Congestion is bad enough without slowing things even more.

Additional comments

- I do not believe a reduction to 20mph is the correct course of action to take. The South Street area has three right hand bends, therefore it is virtually impossible to drive faster than 20mph now. With the parking up High Street, again it is not possible to exceed 20mph. London Lane is already protected to a large degree by the school speed reduction, and Broad Street has very few street facing houses, so it is difficult to see what is being protected by a reduction in the speed limit. Stronger enforcement of the 30mph limit would be my preferred route, across the whole of the village, not simply the golden triangle. Those who want to drive faster will continue to do so, irrespective of the stated speed limit, until it becomes painful for them to continue. Therefore I do not support the proposal to instate a 20mph limit.
- The speed of traffic (plus heavy vehicles) is a serious problem
- London Lane is difficult to Navigate due to the numerous parked cars and other motorists impatient nature. Other parts of Cuckfield are also difficult to navigate due to narrow lanes or lanes being taken up by parked vehicles. School drop off and pick up means sections of the roads lead to being gridlocked and long delays to pass through.
- Definitely needs to be done !
- 20 is too slow. 30 is ok and really achievable anyway.
- Should be either all of Cuckfield or nothing. Its roads without parking that have speed problems. Enforcement will be the problem unable to enforce the 30 mph limit.
- As a Pedestration only might get across roads easily not sure what car drivers think
- That the A272 Ansty to Cuckfield speed limit is reduced from 50mph to 30/40 mph making it safer to walk into Cuckfield

Additional comments

- The streets are so congested with parked cars that speeds above 20mph are barely achievable now. The money would be better spent on providing more off-road parking facilities for visitors to the village, which would also allow the residents (who don't have a driveway/garage) some chance of parking near their homes when they return. As a long time resident of the village, the only thing that is tempting me to move away is not being able to park near my home if I go out, and in my view that's a very sad state of affairs. A 20mph speed limit will achieve nothing but a waste of scarce resources.
- This is a pointless idea as you can rarely get above 20mph anyway. A better idea would be road narrowing to prevent the huge trucks and to stop the village being used as a rat run
- I would like to see more active calming on Hanlye Lane as it meets the mini roundabout with Ardingly Lane. Cars either accelerate aggressively from the mini roundabout or come in extremely fast from the Haywards Heath direction. We have a home for SEN children and a good proportion of elderly residents here
- Motorists just need to be reminded of the existing Limits with electronic reminder signs
- It would be better to slow traffic down by forcing it with narrower roads (e.g. by allowing more on-street parking like outside the Queens Hall, or pavements down both sides of the road on South Street, and banning parking on pavements which encourages speeding especially on London Road)
- Our street Glebe should also be 20 because of all the kids
- I work in Cuckfield and have lived in the area for many years. London Lane is a 'rat run' between Broad Street to the 'Rose & Crown'; drivers go down this road far too fast, especially considering there are a preschool and a primary school leading onto it. I also believe it would stop the large number of lorries and other unsuitable vehicles taking a short cut through the village.
- This should have been done years ago!
- If agreed; permanent vehicle activated speed signs should be installed.

Additional comments

- Important to have a slow speed limit given how many children are around these roads and also cycling
- London Lane is too narrow to support two way traffic. Children are at risk every day from vehicles passing too close. Children have been injured after being hit by wing mirror which encroach on the pavement. 20mph would lesson the damage but other measures must be put in place to address this issue.
- Traffic speed is not as much of an issue as large vehicle use. Consistant HGV Lorries and oversize vehicles cause congestion and damage to parked vehicles and pavements when they can't get through.
- Include Ardingly Road
- We mostly end up driving at around 20mph around here anyway so why waste some budget on new signs and speed limit changes.
- Need to add speed bumps on entry routes to the village too
- At busy times it is impossible to do more than 20MPH anyway due to cars parked at side of road, so formalising won't have a huge impact but at least makes it official
- Traffic crawls anyway at school times below 20mph. No need to implement it and no accident data to support it
- As traffic grows we are finding more cars being clipped by slowing the traffic Down maybe this may stop people squeezing through gaps or rushing to get through the village. Pedestrians would be if it as well making Cuckfield a safer village for all.
- We have seen in London that slowing down major routes in and out of areas has created more pollution and traffic. I believe having a safe suitable speed limit is good but 20mph is not good for the environment nor people's vehicles
- More!
- With the amount of traffic and cars parking in these areas it would make it much safer for everybody

Additional comments

- I grew up in Cuckfield and visit frequently. I think that a 20mph speed limit throughout the village would be very sensible; cars are frequently going too fast and I have witnessed a number fail to stop at zebra crossings. Specifically, 30mph is too fast for the High Street (which could do with having fewer parked cars, although I understand implications for residents) because it can get very difficult to navigate at busy times. Finally, why not invest in cycle paths? I believe that if you had a safe cycle route connecting Haywards Heath and Cuckfield, significant numbers of people would use it and reducing the number of cars on the road will undoubtedly improve safety.
- After driving in Wales in the 20 zones. Some people observe them and others overtake and drive at speed. So for those walking it's difficult to judge the speed. There is a 20 by Millais school in Horsham. I drive there every week and no one ever does 20. I think 30 is a more realistic speed.
- Please look at Whitemans Green. Traffic accelerates from garage and is often doing 40 well before the change of speed limit. With the increase of people involved with the rugby club this should be a priority to look at slowing traffic
- Not in this area but I had a daughter knocked down and killed in a 30mph limit of course they were going faster but I still wonder 20 years on if she would still be alive if the limit had been 20mph
- Further measures should be taken (similar to Bolnore Village) to discourage "through traffic" by creating pre-conditions for congestion and a preference for by-pass use. Local traffic will not be any less than it is now, but slower moving and safer eg for pedestrian shoppers, schoolchildren pickups etc.
- This is essential with young children walking in the area with two schools and nurseries close by.
- Too much speeding in Cuckfield area.

Additional comments

- Please can consideration be given to the size of vehicles that use London Lane as a short cut. On one occasion I saw a train carriage on the back of a lorry going past my garden. These vehicles are too large for this residential road. In addition, the pavement on London Lane is extremely narrow for pedestrians with two way traffic.
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Additional comments

- My experience of 20mph zones in other towns has been overwhelmingly positive, as a driver, cyclist, and pedestrian
- People drive like absolute idiots up London Lane at all times of day and night. It'd be interesting to trial some kind of traffic calming like that which has been done in Ditchling along the road that goes to Lewes.
- Pointless
- Supportive of London Lane - due to narrow paths, school foot traffic and speeding. Supportive of high street again due to safety, pedestrian traffic, hard to see traffic with road bends and parking. North of high street suffered speeding. Not supportive of broad street and I live close to it. There's limited pedestrian traffic here because of alternative routes being busier. Don't see the same reason to have calming measures here