

**WEST BERKSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
(THATCHAM TOWN) (20MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 202***

STATEMENT OF REASONS

The proposed order refers to all minor roads or sections of roads within the Town of Thatcham. Broadly speaking, this is all residential and minor roads south of Tull Way, Bowling Green Road, Heath Lane and Floral Way, north of Lower Way, all roads accessed from Ilkley Way and Urquhart Road and all roads west of Pipers Way. The A4 is not included in any of these proposals – its speed limit would remain unchanged. The proposed order also seeks to revoke three existing Traffic Regulation Orders that currently restrict traffic speeds to 20mph around Derwent Road, The Broadway and Victor Road areas as all the roads stated in these three orders are to be included in the new consolidated order for Thatcham Town.

The proposed order aims to reduce the speed of vehicular traffic to make the local area more attractive and accessible by non-motorised highway users. This proposal will contribute to the fulfilment of part of the Council Strategy 2023-27.