



Officer Decision Report

Date:	27 th August 2025
Title:	Arabella Park, Little Kimble – Proposed 30mph Speed Limit
Cabinet Member(s):	Councillor Thomas Broom, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Transport
Ward Member(s):	Councillor Steve Broadbent Councillor David Carroll
Author and contact officer:	Darryl Bonsor, Transport Coordinator - Darryl.Bonsor@buckinghamshire.gov.uk
Ward(s) affected:	Ridgeway East
Decision:	Approval to proceed to Statutory Consultation for a permanent Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) for a 30mph speed limit within the new Arabella Homes development in Little Kimble.
Reason for decision:	"[For] facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

1. Background

1.1 Arabella Park is a new development currently under construction in Little Kimble with around 45 residential properties. The site is bordered by Kimblewick Road to the west and by B4009 Lower Icknield Way / Grove Lane to the south (Figure 1), the location provides access onto the A4010 Risborough Road, offering routes to Stoke Mandeville and Aylesbury to the North, and the Risboroughs to the south. Bayliss Meadows will be the main road running through the development.

1.2 The proposed street lighting arrangement within the development follows a policy

known as ‘Dark Skies’, resulting in minimal illumination.

1.3 Under Section 82 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, there would be insufficient lighting columns to constitute a ‘system of street lighting’, for Bayliss Meadows to be considered a ‘restricted road’ with a default 30mph limit.

1.4 To achieve this, the following proposal (Table 1) has been put forward:

Affected Road (And Extents)	What We Are Proposing
Bayliss Meadows, Arabella Park, Little Kimble (From the junction with Kimblewick Road into the new development)	Introduction of a 30mph Traffic Regulation Order

Table 1 - Road Name, Extents and Proposed Restriction

1.5 The plan for the proposal can be seen in Appendix A.

2. Authority to take this decision.

2.1 The Council scheme of delegation is contained within its constitution.

3. Other options available, and their pros and cons

3.1 All alternatives considered would also require a Statutory Consultation process.

4. Local Councillors & Community Boards consultation & views

4.1 Local Members and the Civil Parish for Little Kimble were consulted for their views.

4.2 The contact officer has also contacted the Cabinet Member for Transport (as named at the front of this report), along with Thames Valley Police and Buckinghamshire Council’s Network Safety Team to brief them on this project.

4.3 The contact officer has previously engaged with Local Members for Ridgeway East and Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh Parish Council via emails sent between January and June 2025 (Appendix B).

4.4 The Local Members were again consulted on their views via an email sent by the Contact Officer over a 28 – day period (expiring on 24th August 2025). No responses were received.

5. Feedback from Initial Engagement

5.1 The responses received from Local Members and the Parish Council are shown below in Table 2.

Consultee	Response
Councillor Steve Broadbent	<i>No Response Received</i> (Prior to Local Elections)
	<i>No Response Received</i> (After Local Elections)
Councillor David Carroll	<i>No Response Received</i> (Prior to Local Elections)
	<i>No Response Received</i> (After Local Elections)
Councillor Clive Harriss (Prior to Local Elections)	<i>No Response Received</i>
Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh Parish Council	<i>No Response Received</i>
Thames Valley Police	[Note from Contact Officer – Please refer to Appendix B]
Network Safety Team	[Note from Contact Officer – Please refer to Appendix B]

Table 2 - Responses from Consultees

6. Financial & Legal Implications

6.1 The scheme is fully funded by Buckinghamshire Council, with the signing and lining works to be undertaken by the developer.

6.2 Following the approval of this Officer Decision Report, Buckinghamshire Council will undertake a statutory consultation for the making of the permanent Traffic Regulation Orders (TRO) to introduce a new 30mph speed limit.

7. Your questions and views

7.1 If you have any questions about the matter contained in the paper, please get in touch with the Contact Officer whose email address is given at the head of the paper.

8. Appendices

Appendices A1 and A2 – Arabella Homes, Little Kimble, Map Tiles and Consultation Plan

Appendix B – Responses to Initial Engagement

Approval Signature:



Dave Roberts, Head of Highways

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