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I am writing to update you on the current position with regard to the speed limit review on the A40(T) west of Abergavenny.

Our Managing Agents, the South Wales Trunk Road Agency (SWTRA) have carried out a speed limit review on the A40(T) West of Abergavenny and have reported their findings. The "Setting Local Speed Limits in Wales" Guidance recommends that the aim for the mean speed for the section of road should be below the posted speed limit, which in this case is 40mph. The speed data SWTRA gathered for this section of road show a mean speed of 37.5mph and complies with the recommendation that it should be below 40mph.

SWTRA also analysed the accident data for the previous 5 years on that length of road and found only one accident had occurred during that period. This accident was not speed related.

The Review therefore recommends no reduction in the speed limit at this location. Welsh Government Transport Officials as well as Gwent Police support these findings and recommendations.

We are however, proposing to undertake engineering measures to further reduce average speeds, which should alleviate some of the concerns with this road. These engineering measures will include additional speed limit repeater signs and enhancement to the gateway features. Subject to the availability of funding these measures will be implemented in the current financial year.



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