

Dear Ms Ansbro

Thank you for your email on behalf of the town council regarding Chipping Road.

Firstly, a note on road names. According to Ordnance Survey, this road appears to be called Longridge Road. According to our preferred source, the National Street Gazetteer, part of the route is called Chipping Road and part is called Chipping Lane.

For this analysis, we have looked at the section of the road between the Derby Arms (junction with Moss Side Lane) to the start of the 30 zone in Longridge by the cricket club. As with any road with a predominantly rural aspect and without a system of streetlights, the speed limit here defaults to 60mph.

We expect drivers to understand that the speed limit is just that, an absolute limit, not a target, and that they may need to drive more slowly depending on the conditions they find. Along with other highway authorities, when assessing adherence to speed limits we look at the "85th percentile" of traffic. This is the speed at which 85 percent of traffic travels at or below. The 85<sup>th</sup> percentile for this route is 45.5mph. The road also enjoys an exceptionally good safety record, with no injury collisions anywhere on the route examined. Given the excellent safety record and extremely good overall adherence to the speed limit, we are not proposing any new safety interventions here.

I am sorry if residents have had frightening experiences as pedestrians on the more narrow sections of the footway between these two points. However, it is worth noting that we have many miles of similar roads with no footways at all.

We would not consider concealed entrance warning signage for a private access.

Kind regards, Peter

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