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Changes to speed limits planned for some areas

Reductions to speed limits on major routes connecting Prebbleton with Christchurch City and in some townships in Selwyn where the township boundaries have expanded will soon take place.

Selwyn District Council this week approved changes to speed limits in a number of areas.

“One of the major changes is that the speed limit will reduce from 100 kilometres per hour to 80 kilometres per hour on many of the main routes from around Prebbleton to Christchurch City,” says Selwyn District Council's Asset Engineer Transportation Mark Chamberlain.

“These roads are becoming increasingly busy and a lower speed limit is appropriate as a road safety measure given the number of busy intersections along these roads.”

The new 80 km per hour speed limit will apply to:

- Shands Road from Marshes Road to south of Selwyn Road
- Alameda Place
- Waterholes Road from State Highway 1 to Hamptons Road
- Hamptons Road
- Block Road
- Trents Road from south of SH1 to northwest of Kingcraft Drive
- Blakes Road from Trents Road to northwest of Aberdeen Road
- Meadowlands Road
- Waipuna Road
- Marshs Road
- Trices Road from west of Tosswill Road to Knight's Stream
- Hodgens Road
- Longstaffs Road
- Whincops Road from Longstaffs Road to the CCC boundary
- Tosswill Road from northwest of Trices Road to Ellesmere Road
- Ellesmere Road from Tosswill Road to Trices Road

Speed limit reductions will also be made in a number of townships. In Rolleston, speed limits will reduce in the Izone area, in the new Faringdon subdivision and Foster Park area, on Brookside and Dunns Crossing Road near the new Rolleston West School with other speed reductions also occurring on the town's outskirts on Goulds Road, Dynes Road, Levi Road and Springston Rolleston Road.

In other areas speed limit reductions are also planned. “In most cases the changes reflect the growth of townships with residential speed limits being extended to take in areas where new subdivisions or housing has been established,” says Mr Chamberlain.

“In a number of areas such as Doyleston and Springston reductions to speed limits are also a result of requests from local residents or township committees for lower speed limits to improve safety.”

Speed limit changes are also planned for some roads in the following townships: Burnham, Darfield, Doyleston, Hororata, Leeston, Lincoln, Prebbleton, Selwyn Huts, Sheffield, Southbridge, Springston, Tai Tapu and West Melton.

A list of locations where changes to speed limits are planned and the new speed limits that will be introduced is available online at www.selwyn.govt.nz. It is intended that the change in speed limits would apply from 1 May. The speed limit changes will be enforceable as soon as the new signage and pavement markings are in place.

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