**Kilve and Holford Traffic Management**

These are suggestions that would complement the proposed Kilve local plan for traffic management on the A39. This covers the area from the entrance to the village of Holford to the 30mph sign at the entrance to Kilve.

**Holford**

**Proposal:**

The introduction of a 40mph buffer zone from the entrance to the village, at the lay-by/Stowey Lane junction, to the existing 30mph zone.

**Justification:**

There has been one fatal accident on that section of the road in the last 12 months due to overtaking at speed. The data from Holford Speed watch volunteers, measuring actual speeds, shows that many vehicles are entering the 30mph zone at speeds above 45 and have to brake sharply to reduce speed.

Holford is currently planning to install SIDs on the A39, with both police and County Council approval.

**Proposal:**

The installation of a crossing for walkers, riders and cyclists across the A39.

**Justification:**

The A39 is a busy road and at times it is impossible to cross unless a vehicle stops. It is particulary dangerous for children and older people and would serve users of the Holford village hall and residents of Portway.

**Holford to Kilve:**

The change of the 50mph zone on the exit from Holford to Kilve to a 40mph zone.

This zone to continue down Putsham hill until the 30mph zone at the entrance to Kilve. The 20mph zone at Kilton corner to remain.

**Justification Holford:**

The distance from Holford 30mph zone to the Kilton corner 20mph zone is not long enough for vehicles to travel at 50mph and on the return journey the same applies. There is a farm entrance and also the entrance to Moorhouse farm caravan site and for buses collecting and dropping Hinkley Point workers

**Justification Kilve:**

From Kilton corner there is a double junction to Kilton Lane and Hilltop Lane which is planned to be designated Quiet Lane. On Lagger hill a driveway on the left is followed by a sharp right hand bend and is followed by another driveway on the left and then a road on the left giving access for residential properties. A one way exit only road on the right follows after a left hand bend and then on the right a commercial vehicle entrance. Houses on the left and right lead to the 30mph zone just before the bridge at Kilve.

**Overall**:

The safe speed that vehicles should be travelling on the road between Holford and Kilve is no more than 40mph and a change in the speed limit to 40mph will not affect travel time but will give drivers a much greater awareness of the road conditions. The long stretch of the 50mph on both the entrance to Holford and Kilve leads to higher speeds on entering both villages