



## Proposal to Make the 20mph Speed Limit Permanent in Dunbar – South of the East Coast Mainline Railway



Sustaining Dunbar and East Lothian Council want your views on making the 20mph speed limit permanent in some residential streets in Dunbar. This leaflet provides an update and includes a questionnaire for you to complete.



**East Lothian Council and Sustaining Dunbar are committed to making Dunbar a safer, more pleasant place to walk and cycle. As part of this work, we would like your views on the current 20mph speed limit trial on residential roads in your area, and whether it should be made permanent.**

## **An Update**

In October 2012, Sustaining Dunbar and East Lothian Council carried out a public consultation about proposals to introduce a 20mph speed limit trial in the residential areas of Dunbar, south of the East Coast Mainline Railway. An information leaflet and questionnaire were delivered to every household in the proposed trial area, seeking views. The results of the public consultation showed that:-

- 70% of respondents supported the introduction of a trial 20 mph speed limit;
- 68% of respondents thought that the introduction of a 20mph speed limit would make it safer to walk or cycle more.

As a result of general support for the proposal, in January 2014 East Lothian Council introduced a 20mph trial speed limit in the area shown on the map opposite. The trial is due to last until June 2015, and is the first of its kind in East Lothian. Initial results indicate that average traffic speeds have decreased on Kellie Road, Brodie Road, Middlemas Road and Lochend Road. A further three trials are due to commence in other parts of the County.

## **The Next Step**

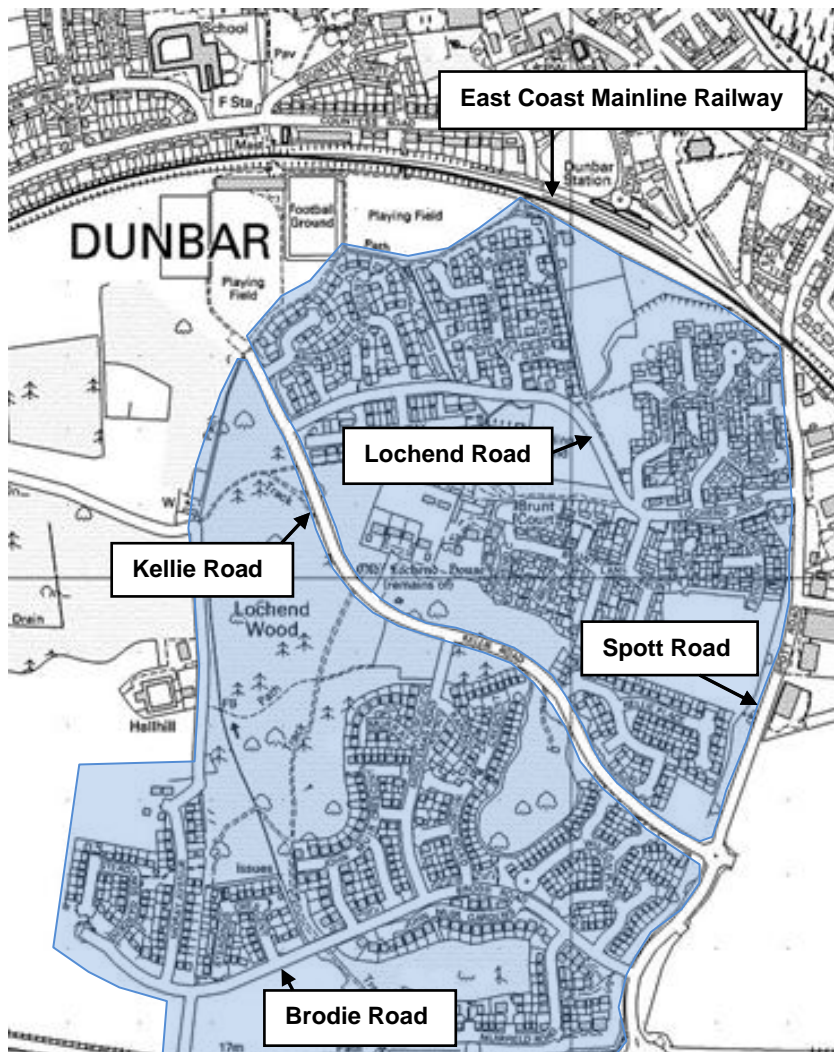
The 20mph speed limit trial has been in place for a year now and most people will have formed a view on whether it has been successful or not. This latest questionnaire gives you the opportunity to state your views on the trial and whether it should be made permanent or abandoned. The responses received will be reported to East Lothian Council, who will then

make a decision on whether to continue with the initiative or not. If survey results show

- a reduction in speeds,
- an increase in the number of people cycling, and
- majority support for the 20mph limit,

it will be made permanent when the trial ends in June 2015. If, however, most local respondents are not in favour, the 20mph speed limit will be removed once the trial ends.

## Which roads would be included in the permanent 20 mph speed limit area?



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The area proposed for the permanent 20 mph speed limit is the same as the current trial area. Spott Road and Kellie Road will not be included.

## **Your views are important to us**

20 mph speed limits are most successful where the local community and road users are in favour of the scheme and understand and respect what it is trying to achieve.

Enclosed with this leaflet is a questionnaire for you to give your views on the proposal to make the 20 mph speed limit permanent. Please complete both sides of the questionnaire and return it by 15<sup>th</sup> February 2015 to:-

**Sustaining Dunbar  
Station Road  
Dunbar  
EH42 1JX**

**or**

**Bleachingfield Centre  
Countess Crescent  
Dunbar  
EH42 1DX**

Additional copies of this leaflet and questionnaire are available at the above addresses. Please note that responses without address details will not be considered.

**An information board about the  
proposal will be available at  
Bleachingfield Centre,  
Countess Crescent, Dunbar  
16<sup>th</sup> January to 15<sup>th</sup> February 2015**

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