

# Highways Improvement Request Form

<b>Location of Issue:</b>	A354, Coombe Road (what3words:broker.less.weedy)
<b>Community Area:</b>	Salisbury
<b>Parish or Town Council:</b>	Salisbury City Council
<b>Nature of Issue:</b>	
<p>Speed of road users not commensurate with legal road limits within residential area. A combination of factors; speeding, overgrown verges and road bend, has created a dangerous combination where visibility of oncoming vehicles is obstructed and driving in excess of legal limits. It is only a matter of time until there is a serious accident.</p> <p>Another factor that may lead to excess speed, is the rapid change from National speed limit to 30mph zone, there is no gradual reduction through a 40mph 'buffer' that would create a psychological change in road dynamics.</p> <p>This was reported via the MyWilts online reporting tool, however, I have been informed this must be reported to the local authority in the first instance.</p>	
<b>How long has it been an issue?</b>	Witnessed over past 4 months – reality is that this is a longer term issue
<b>What would you like done to resolve this issue?</b>	
<p>It is accepted that speed bumps or narrowings are not likely to be considered, while in a 30mph zone the A354 is a main trunk and support route into and out of the city.</p> <p>Imminently –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Introduction of electronic speed sign shortly after the permanent sign, similar to that on the other side of the hill on Coombe Road. This would create a visual reminder before reaching the residential area.</li> <li>2) Reinstatement of road surface 'rumble' strips physically demarcating the change in speed limits.</li> </ol> <p>Medium term –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Consideration of visual road markings in the form of painted pinch points or narrowings. This doesn't prevent traffic flow but aids as another visual representation to influence appropriate road speed.</li> <li>2) Introduction of a staggered reduction of speed limits. A 40mph limit could be introduced before the entrance to Old Blandford Road and Honnington Road (two potentially dangerous junctions) to bring about a gradual change of speed before reaching the current 30mph zone.</li> </ol>	