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Councillor Karl Perks
Cabinet Member with Responsibility for Highways and Transport
Worcestershire County Council
c/o County Hall
Spetchley Road
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8th July 2025

Dear Councillor Perks,

Re. 20mph speed limit in Rowney Green

I write on behalf of the Rowney Green Association (RGA), which as you know represents residents there, on the matter of their campaign for a basic signs-only 20MPH speed limit through the village.

I recently met with residents to discuss the matter, and have since received a briefing from the RGA which I do feel raises very valid concerns. Namely:

- 1. Between the village signs, I understand there is 1.6km of road but only 0.5km of footpath and pedestrians must therefore walk in the path of vehicles for long stretches. This is a particular challenge to those who are vulnerable.
- 2. There are an unusual number of active stables within Rowney Green, whose horses must also share the road for considerable lengths. I have followed horses through the village on a number of occasions, and it is certainly a challenge for both parties.
- 3. I understand the road through the village is on the Duke of Edinburgh Award walking route for a number of local schools.
- 4. To access the stop for the school bus, children must walk along the road in the mornings and afternoons.

Given the above, I am supportive of the residents' campaign for a signs-only 20MPH speed limit and would be grateful to understand how this can be achieved as a special case under the Hazardous Rural Roads initiative for a signs-only 20MPH limit.

Yours sincerely,

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Member of Parliament for Bromsgrove and the Villages

Cc: Councillor Alan Bailes; Rowney Green Association

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