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Dear Andrew,

**Fontmell Magna – 20 MPH Application Update**

On the 1 November 2022 Dorset Council agreed a new 20mph policy and I thank you for your application on behalf of Fontmell Magna Parish Council.

I noted that your application was for a 20mph speed limit for the A350 through Fontmell Magna and the streets /roads within the village and therefore I have treated these locations as one entity.

I also noted your supporting letter relating to the A350.

To date there have been 12 community applications with a further 32 areas that have expressed an interest or are actively working on an application.

As part of the feasibility and informal consultation process a new 20mph Panel Group has been created to consider the 8 applications which formed part of the first phase. First phase applications are those submitted before the 1 March.

This Panel Group has the following membership:

* Portfolio Holder for Highways
* Transport Planning Manager
* Highways Implementation Manager
* Road Safety Manager

The Panel met yesterday, and I must inform you that your application was **not supported.**

The application did not meet the criteria set by the policy as explained below:

1. Applications should not be on roads where the movement of motor vehicles is the primary function. The A350 has the hierarchal status as a strategic route and therefore cannot meet this criterion.
2. Existing mean speeds should provide a realistic opportunity for compliance. The most recent survey results show speeds well above 24mph and therefore does not meet this criterion.
3. Informal consultation with Dorset Police has shown that they would not support an application if it included the A350.

I acknowledge that this will be disappointing, and I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Yours sincerely,

Tony Burden

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**Road Safety Manager**