

Safer speeds in Sumner	
Consultation feedback – Key issues/suggestions and project team responses	
Key issues and suggestions	Project team response
It is unlikely people will drive at new speed limits unless you enforce it	The proposed speed reduction has been put forward as part of the Sumner Suburban Master Plan project, which includes traffic calming measures to be introduced on the main road through Sumner. These traffic-calming measures include road narrowing, planting, paving and a raised table. These features will help slow traffic to 30 km/h in the village. Within the 40 km/h zone, there are no additional traffic calming measures proposed, however there will be slower speed signs installed and road marking indicating that drivers are entering a 40 km/h zone. This will encourage drivers to reduce their speeds. Enforcement is undertaken by the police. If speeding becomes an issue this can be reported to the police who can take action.
Will cause delays in travel time and unnecessary frustration	The approved Master Plan's traffic calming measures mean that drivers are not able to travel at 50 km/h. The 30 km/h section is approximately 500 metres long, and travelling at this speed would only require 24 seconds more travel time than if drivers were able to travel at 50 km/h. The reduced speed limit will add a minimal delay for drivers.
The proposed changes are not justified in terms of accidents rates and risk	During the last five years there have been 20 recorded crashes in Sumner, which included two serious injury and six minor injury crashes. This only includes crashes reported to police, and is a substantial crash history for a village centre and residential area.
What is proposed is simply too slow	A 30km/h speed limit through the village centre offers significant improvements to pedestrian safety and the safety of all other road users, with a minimal delay to drivers.
This is just revenue gathering	Christchurch City Council does not carry out enforcement action, this is undertaken by the police. the responsibility of the police. When enforcement action is undertaken, the Council does not receive any of the fines. This project is about improving safety for all road users.
The lowered speeds will increase the risk to pedestrians	Lower speeds improve safety for all road users. A lower speed limit will reduce the likelihood of a crash occurring, by making it easier for drivers to recognise hazards and reduce their speed accordingly, and by reducing their braking distance. If a crash does occur the severity of the crash will also be reduced. This has been backed up by many studies.
No problem with speed on the roads in Sumner	The crash history does show that there is an existing issue with speeding in Sumner. There is also a desire to improve the area for pedestrians and road users, both from a safety and an accessibility perspective.
There is no need to lower the speed limits as the streets are well designed and traffic is self-regulating	With the proposed traffic calming measures to be introduced on the main route through Sumner as part of the Sumner Village Master Plan, now is the time to also reduce the speed limit on surrounding roads, to reflect the new road conditions and improve safety.
Should fix the roads instead	The proposed Sumner Village Master Plan work includes repairing the main section of road through Sumner. The proposed reduced speed limit is not taking money from any maintenance budgets and will therefore not reduce the number of roads being repaired around Sumner.
Introduce traffic calming measures instead of lowering the speed limit	Traffic calming measures are included in the Sumner Village Master Plan.
Just enforce the current limits instead.	Thank you for your comment. The proposal aims to improve safety by reducing the speed limit.
Too many changes will create confusion, need consistency	The speed limits have been set in alignment with the NZTA Speed Management Guide. This guide aims for consistency across the national road network.
Other issues and Suggestions	
30 km/h speed zone	
Extend the 30 km/hr area - Along Wakefield to Colenso St - Include Stoke Street - Include Nayland St section to Stoke Street - Include Main Road - Include side streets up to Nayland intersections and all of Nayland - From Clifton Terrace to Scarborough boat ramp - Extend to Wiggins Street - Include 30 km school zones	The 30 km/h speed limit has been set in accordance with the NZTA Speed Management Guide. This is a national guidance document, which determines the safe and appropriate speed for a road based on the road's characteristics. One of the key aims of the guide is to achieve a consistent approach to speed limits. Based on the guidance in this document, which is available online, it would not be appropriate to extend the 30 km/h further than currently proposed.

Reduce the 30 km/h zone to: - Just the main road and the Esplanade - Just on the Esplanade - Make Wakefield and Marriner 40 km/h - Leave Wakefield/Nayland/main roads at 50 km/h - Main roads at 40 km	The 30 km/h zone has been set out to cover the Village centre, where there are high numbers of shops or pedestrian movements. The project team believe that reducing the proposed area to 30 km/h will provide significant pedestrian and cycle safety benefits and improve the amenity of the village centre.
40 km/h speed zone	
Extend the 40k km/h zone - Include the surrounding hill roads of Clifton, Redcliffs, Mt Pleasant, Taylors, Scarborough as these road are often winding and narrow - Meetup with the Heathcote and Woolston safe speed zones - Past Heberdeen/Scarborough	The decision to include the proposed 40 km/h zone is in response to requests for a slower speed zone from residents of Sumner Village, and added to the 30 km/h zone consultation that generated through the Sumner Village Centre Master Plan project. As part of the project, a limit was needed on the extent of the zone, and therefore it was decided not to extend the zone outside Sumner. If residents of other parts of the city would like a 40 km/h zone in their residential area, they can log a request through the customer service centre, and the area traffic engineer will investigate further. Phone 03 941 8999 or 0800 800 169 or visit https://www.ccc.govt.nz/contact-us/ . Local communities are driving the introduction of 40 km/h residential zones, and it is possible to secure a slower speed zone if enough residents are in support.
Other speed suggestions	
Just change to 40 or 30 km/h school zones, or low speed zones during peak times	Part time speed restrictions only offer safety benefits at certain hours during the day. Sumner Village Centre has high pedestrian use throughout the day, particularly during the summer months. Therefore, a part time speed limit would not be as beneficial.
Evans pass/Summit Roads at 60 km/h	Evans Pass and Summit Road have recently been approved for speed reduction to 60 km/h.
Set everything at 40 or 30 km/h for consistency	The proposed speed limits have been set in accordance with the NZTA Speed Management Guide. This is a national guidance document, which determines the safe and appropriate speed for a road based on the roads characteristics. One of the key aims of the guide is to achieve a consistent approach to speed. This proposal achieves this goal.
Related Requests	
Introduce traffic calming measures	
Install speed cameras	Speed enforcement is carried out by the Police and therefore Christchurch City Council cannot install speed cameras.
Good signage/speed restriction signs need to be implemented	The proposal will include speed signs, as well as painting the speed limit on the road with a red background (see central city 30 km/h zone for examples of this painted treatment).
Flashing lights and black and white poles at the pedestrian crossing	The proposed reduction to 30 km/h will improve the safety of the pedestrian crossing. Installing flashing lights is unlikely to be needed at this stage.
Install electronic speed signs	Installing electronic speed signs is unlikely to be required at this stage.
Speed bumps	The main route through Sumner will benefit from traffic calming as part of the Sumner Suburban Master Plan project. There is no traffic calming proposed on residential streets. However if you believe that there is a need for additional traffic calming measures you can lodge a request through the Council's customer contact centre. Phone 03 941 8999 or 0800 800 169 or visit https://www.ccc.govt.nz/contact-us/ .
Raised pedestrian crossings or islands	As above
Yellow lines added or increased in their distance from corners as all too often sight lines restricted by parked vehicles	As above
Is the Nayland Street Pedestrian crossing just a courtesy crossing?	The raised crossing point on Nayland Street with will be a courtesy crossing.