



Project Overview

Project Title	CRSTS Kirklees Speed Limit Review
Main Funding Programme	City Regional Sustainable Transport Settlement (CRSTS)
Current Forecast Project cost	£1,052,000
Funding Applied for from the Combined Authority	£900,000
Other public sector funding amounts and sources	£152,000 Kirklees Highways Safety Team budget

Scheme Description

This scheme will improve road safety and develop improved facilities for walking and cycling school related trips within Kirklees. This will be delivered through a package of interventions which will include the review of existing 20mph speed limit zones, the production of school travel action plans as well as the replacement of missing or damaged speed limit signs and lines.

The scheme will improve speed limit compliance to improve road safety and will increase the number of children that are able to walk or cycle to school through the development and implementation of active travel action plans for targeted schools. The reduction of the number of journeys to and from school taken by car supports the reduction of carbon emissions and improved active travel connectivity to education sites.

Business Case Summary

Strategic Case

The scheme aims to provide highway safety enhancements through encouraging speed limit compliance and enabling speed limit enforcement, particularly in the vicinity of schools. This aims to reduce collision rates on the district highways and enhance the attractiveness of using active travel for school trips.

The principle of the scheme is in accordance with a number of policies and strategies of the Combined Authority, such as the SEF and WYIS, as well as the Mayor's Pledges, as it can help deliver inclusive growth, promote more sustainable forms of travel and reduce carbon emissions.

The scheme contributes to inclusive growth and inclusivity as it supports safer access to education, particularly for those travelling by active modes.

Economic Case

The value for money assessment indicated low value for money with a BCR of 1.2:1.

This demonstrates that the scheme would have a net positive effect but is categorised as low value for money. The calculation, however, was only based on the speed reduction element of the scheme, due to its stage of development, and other potential road safety benefits could materialise.

Commercial Case

The schemes are to be delivered and resource procured by Kirklees Council.

The design and development of the different elements of the package of schemes will be undertaken through a combination of means including 'in-house' through Kirklees Operational Services and procurement of signing works will be through Street Lighting and Signing Works Framework. Other elements will be through a minor works contract through the Surfacing and Planing contract.

Financial Case

The total scheme/programme cost is estimated as £1,052,000.

A total of £1,052,000 funding has been allocated to deliver the programme comprising £900,000 from the CRSTS fund and £152,000 from Kirklees Council's Highways Safety Team budget.

Management Case

Kirklees Council will manage the delivery of the scheme in compliance with the Kirklees Highways Framework.

Governance structures are based on established arrangements within Kirklees Council and the scheme will report to the Combined Authority's CRSTS Programme Board.

The scheme infrastructure is to be located on highway land and can be delivered within permitted development rights and Traffic Regulation Orders will be progressed as part of scheme delivery.

The scheme is expected to be delivered by March 2027