## THE COUNTY OF CUMBRIA (VARIOUS ROADS IN THE BOROUGH OF ALLERDALE) (CONSOLIDATION AND PROVISION OF SPEED LIMITS) ORDER 2023

## STATEMENT OF REASONS

(As amended by Allerdale Local Committee decision of 6 May 2022)

Cumbria County Council propose to introduce the above Order, which will consolidate the provisions of the existing Order and introduce proposed to extend and introduce a number of new speed limits, for the following reason set out in Section 1(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, namely: -

- (a) For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the roads or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising; and
- (c) for facilitating the passage on the roads or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians).

The speed limit changes which are being proposed relate to 4 locations, as follows: -

A596 Wigton to Thursby roundabout, and A595 from Thursby roundabout to the Allerdale/Carlisle Boundary - As a result of an independent Engineering Safety Study which has been carried out and recommended a reduction in speed limit. The proposal produced is as a result of these studies and considered data such as collision history, road geometry, existing traffic speeds, traffic volume, type and usage.

A594 Dovenby – For the same reasons as above.

C2065 Low Road, Brigham - Which is intended to provide a safer walking route to school for pupils attending from the new St Bridget's Close estate and Low road.

C2064 Embleton - Which is as a result of a condition of planning application in Embleton by extending the existing speed limit to provide safer access and egress to the property of the applicant.

The proposed changes are intended to improve road safety and assist in maintaining efficient traffic flow in the locations under review. They will also ensure that the revised speed limits are conducive and fitting to their surroundings, and therefore effectively be "self-enforcing" as per Department for Transport policy.

The restrictions which are being proposed also comply with Cumbria County Council's forward plan of creating a safe and secure community, whilst providing a high-quality environment for all. Local Committee decision (Minute 9 2) a)) refers: -

RESOLVED that,

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a) that having taken into consideration the matters contained in section 122(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 which are more specifically referred to at paragraph 7.2 of the report to the HWG, that "The County of Cumbria (Various Roads in the Borough of Allerdale) (Consolidation and Provision of Speed Limits) Order 20>< ("the Order") be brought into operation, as advertised.