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Petitions Committee

Chepstow A48 Bridge - Petition from school pupils and Town Council for 30mph speed limit.

Petitions Committee Tuesday 25 November 2014

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Minister's letter of 10 November 2014.

We are very pleased that some action is now being taken on erecting guard railing across Chepstow's A48 bridge over the River Wye to protect schoolchildren and pedestrians and we look forward to the completion of the railings.

It will still be necessary to bring in the 30mph speed limit as requested by the Petition as well as the railings - both are essential.

We are concerned that the issue of the extension of the Chepstow Urban Speed Limit of 30mph by just 350 yards to cross the Wye Bridge is taking so long and will become part of a wider review for the whole of Wales.

We are not asking for a new speed limit zone but a small extension of an existing 30mph zone. It should take less than 3 months to implement an Order for 30mph on the bridge (as demonstrated by the Government when the 50mph limit was introduced) but it is now 16 months since the pupils raised the petition and we are worried that becoming part of a wider review could delay this even more.

We are grateful for the progress made so far with design work on railings but we would like the 30mph limit brought in during the next 3 months. There could be delays on railings work so the 30mph limit which is needed anyway is urgently needed now.

Yours sincerely

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