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Birmingham Connected—‘Variable 20mph Speed Limit Outside Ark Boulton Academy’ Consultation.

Following the introduction of 20mph speed limits in three areas of the city in 2016—City Centre (A1), Central East (A2) and Central South (A3), Ark Boulton Academy has been identified as a potential location for a variable 20mph speed limit.

The original 20mph speed limit scheme included residential roads rather than main A and B roads. Ark Boulton Academy is located within the Central South (A3) 20mph speed limit area; however due its location on a main road, it was not originally included in the scheme. After revisiting the area we think that a variable 20mph speed limit on the road outside your school would make the area safer. This would mean that the speed limit would be 20mph when lots of students are expected to be walking near the school, including at the start and end of the school day. At all other times, the current speed limit of the road would apply. Special signs will have lights which flash to show when the 20mph limit is in operation. A plan showing the affected roads is enclosed with this letter.

We would like to know what you and your school community think.

Have your say
1. Please share this information through your school network making students and parents aware of the consultation process and invite them to respond. Support from the school is essential and your help in distributing this as soon as possible would be very much appreciated.

2. You can also provide feedback on behalf of the school on how the proposals will affect your entire school community. Please visit www.birmingham.gov.uk/20mph to respond online.

The consultation closes on Friday 20th July.

If you would need more information or would like to meet with a member of the team to discuss the plans, please let us know.

Modeshift STARS
Modeshift STARS (www.modeshiftstars.org) is a national accredited awards scheme that supports schools in the promotion of active, sustainable and safe travel. Lots of Birmingham schools have already signed up and are enjoying the benefits of healthier students and reduced congestion. If your school is not yet signed up, we would like you to do so before a variable 20mph speed limit is introduced. Joining Modeshift STARS will also mean we can work with your school on activities to raise awareness of the 20mph limit and increase driver compliance.

A member of our team can tell you more and support you with the registration process, if you would find this helpful. Please contact us using the details below.

Kind Regards,

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