

## Submissions for the Slow speeds neighbourhood – Scarborough and Taylors Mistake

Submission ID	First name	Last name	Organisation	Is there anything we need to know before carrying out these changes?
41928	Anne	Nicholls		Residents on the Scarborough/Taylors Mistake Roads drive safely and yield to traffic appropriately. At weekends, particularly during the summer months, there are often vehicles speeding and not yielding to traffic which make the road dangerous to other vehicles, walkers and cyclists. There also seem to be a number of tradie 4WD vehicles that cause concern heading up the hill to work in the morning and leaving at the end of the work day. I strongly support reducing the speed limit to 40km.
41944	Angela	Webster		It would be great to reduce speeds as currently people are going too fast in a high residential area with people walking about. In particular Godley Drive, Scarborough Hill and Taylor's mistake Road.
41947	Mary-Anne	Stone		Great plan. Full support. We [REDACTED] will be pleased to comply with lower limit.
41956	Allen	Voss		<p>I disagree with the proposed changes, because:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Scarborough Rd is completely safe at the current speed limit. I travel the daily and the only safety concern I have motorists FAILING TO KEEP LEFT.</li> <li>2) Taylors Mistake Rd as it descends toward the bay could be 40 km/h as its difficult for sensible drivers to exceed that anyway.</li> <li>3) Neither of these roads provide a safe place for monitoring, so what is the point in having a rule that cannot be enforced?</li> </ol>
41961	Isabelle	Van Hout		The road between sumner and Taylor's mistake is used daily by residents travelling safely and comfortably at 50km an hour. How many accidents have happened on this road? A decrease in speed limit would not impact the safety of the road users, and in fact if anything would make it more unsafe for residents. Keeping a set 40km on this road would be difficult, and put residence at an unequitable disadvantage. Travel through sumner has already been greatly impacted (in a negative way) for no safety gains, and making changes on this road would make this even worse for a community who had already suffered so much (earthquakes etc). Maybe focus your money on fixing the potholes and rainwater run off for sumner roads as this would have a much greater impact on everyone's safety. Ngā
41963	Alison	O'Connell		<p>I support the proposed reduction in speed limits for Scarborough and Taylor's Mistake.</p> <p>I think the reduction in speed on Sumner roads has reduced risk and made the suburb more pleasant to walk and drive in. Extending the 40km/h area will make it easier for everyone to follow the rules, and increase safety for everyone.</p> <p>A 40km/h speed limit is more suitable than 50km/h for Scarborough and Taylor's Mistake roads as not all drivers are used to the twisty and steep conditions, and often cross the middle line.</p>
41975	Trevor	Hone		We fully support this reduction in the speed limit
41980	Jeffrey	Schmelz		<p>The reduction of the speed limit is a good start. I have recently lost 2 wing mirrors to vehicles travelling at high speed and too close to the centre line.</p> <p>missing from consideration are two additional points:</p> <p>The general maintenance and upkeep of the grass and foliage on the banks on Taylors mistake rd and Scarborough rds is severely lacking. During springtime, this is worse with the new growth. The new growth forces cars further out to the centre of the rd and in most cases they cross the centre white line. Also during winter when there is heavy rain, the banks erode and collapse into the gutters. This causes water to be diverted across the road making it very slippery. To date the gutters have still not been cleared.</p> <p>Another issue is the number of cars creating their own parks on Taylors Mistake and Scarborough rds. The addition of more parked cars in recent times is forcing drivers into the centre of both of these rds.</p>

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41988	Chris	Erikson		<p>██████████ I fully endorse and support the proposed implementation of reduced speed limits on Scarborough Hill and surrounding streets. i was very pleased to see the introduction of 40K along Heberden Ave to Scarborough road but wondered why this was not carried on up the hill considering the increase in crazy driving witnessed over recent years. Concurrent with housing development in the area over the years there is increased traffic and as with national trends an increased preponderance of large 4WD and SUV vehicles which take up a lot of road room and make it awkward for cyclists and walkers especially where there are no footpaths. As the road leads to popular Taylors Mistake beach, summer weekends especially and in mornings late afternoons during exceptionally good weather , there is an influx of traffic often by drivers totally unused to driving on hills and in many cases totally unaware of the road code give-way rules. Excessive speed is often the norm during these periods making the road more dangerous than usual .Some areas of Taylors mistake road have extremely wide road frontages which have left little room for safe street parking, significantly reducing road space and making it very unsafe to travel through at the current speed limit . Many drivers see the hill road as rally drive and ascend dangerously erratically at the fastest speeds possible anyway. Often these escapades occur at night but many are made in broad daylight light. Unfortunately many drivers reach the top of Scarborough road , see an area of flat road and significantly increase their speed prior to reaching the descent close to Smugglers cove. Also traffic approaching Smugglers Cove intersection from the beach also see the flatter road at this point as an excuse to plant boot and the result is personally a very unsafe exit from our drive way from the hazard of vehicles coming from both directions . I would like the council to not only reduce the speed limit but make it physically impossible for vehicles to increase their speed along the top of Taylors Mistake road corner from Nicholson park to Smugglers Cove perhaps by introducing road humps as are prevalent in the Esplanade. The reduced speed limit needs to be clearly signed and more frequently displayed than in streets such as Nayland street . Drivers of trade vehicles who are not local seem to either not see them or don't think it applies them.</p>
42001	Hamish	Kelland		<p>As long term residents ██████████ we are very aware of vehicles travelling to and from Taylors Mistake beach at excessive speed. We are very much in favour of any effective traffic design that will reduce vehicle speed. Overseas practice has shown that the narrowing of roads and the planting of trees has been highly effective in reducing vehicle speed. The north side berms at the Scarborough Rd end of Taylors Mistake Rd are very wide ( approx 5M) and would be very suitable for roadside plantings</p>
42003	Nicola	Begg		<p>I do not support speed reduction from 50 to 40 Km on this road ██████████ nor do I support the 40 km speed restriction on Nayland Street to wakefield Ave. (90 percent of the time 50 km is perfectly safe, and when we have sunny weekends in Sumner we can adjust to lower our speed to suit conditions when it is busy. We are becoming a nanny state where no one is trusted to use common sense so we all have to drive to suit the lowest common denominator/dimwit/dickhead! I have to actively watch my speedo down Nayland Street to avoid speeding and now I am going to have to do it Scarborough hill as well just to keep you woke overly cautious cotton wool mentality lot happy!! I am really sick of the layers of restrictions being placed on our lives with just this sort of thing!!</p>
42012	Mark	La Roche		<p>I believe simple safety measures would reduce the risk, rather than speed restrictions, such as “Give Way to Uphill Traffic” signs, remove parking areas on Scarborough Road (or at least enforce the no parking zones that exist) and better storm water drainage to stop debris falling onto the road.</p>
42028	Adrian	Mouldey		<p>██████████ When turning left or right out of Smugglers Cove it is difficult to respond quickly to fast travelling cars either left or right due to bends in the road obstructing the necessary view before pulling out onto Taylors Mistake Road. My submission is that the the 40km per our speed limit along Nayland Street be extended to Scarborough Road and Taylors Mistake Road. Also road signs to highlight and awareness of roads, streets and driveways that access these roads.</p>
42032	Fenella	Mills		<p>Totally support this!!</p> <p>People drive the road so fast on busy summer days and it's dangerous for themselves, us as residents and our pets.</p>
42035	Andrea	Wheeler		<p>I have been a resident of Sumner for 36 years ██████████. There is no need to bring in 40 km an hour speed limit to our hill as the roads are narrow and windy.What needs to happen are signs stating that downhill traffic gives way to uphill traffic as only residents seem to know that .Constantly I am getting cars &amp; trucks coming down the hill on my side of the road.</p> <p>Council needs to revisit the speed limits in Sumner.Nayland street is a feeder route and needs to have the speed limit increased to 50 km per hour except for just in the shopping area .Wakefield Avenue which is a feeder route to Lyttelton has a speed limit of 50 km per hour.</p>

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42038	Grant	Chittock		It's disappointing to note that the program of widening the road and installing a footpath on Taylor's Mistake road seems to have been permanently stopped after only completing approximately 1/4 of the project. Lower speeds will not mitigate the fact of the road being too narrow for the volume of vehicles and bikes we see on it now. Please finish what was started, rather than this bandaid approach
42063	Lynton	Robinson		I absolutely object to the proposed speed reduction, the narrowness of the road creates its own necessity to reduce speed and the majority of local residents drive to the conditions and the speed limit now. In my observation the majority of instances of excessive speed are due to tradesmen travelling to work sites in the area and non locals traveling to Taylors Mistake Beach in the weekends and evenings. Control of this would be better served by enforcement of the current speed limit by the police, between 7 & 8am and 4-5pm weekdays, and during the weekend. Reducing the speed limits only affects local residents, not those that choose to drive faster than the speed limit regardless of what it is. One of whom is the idiot driving the City Care rubbish truck over to Taylors Mistake and back in the early morning!
42079	Christine	Freeman		We would like to agree to change the road speed from 50km to 40km for the Scarborough and Taylors Mistake Roads. This definitely needs to be reduced. [REDACTED] we have noticed the speed and dangerous driving increasing. The roads are very popular with vehicles, cyclists, walkers using these roads particularly in the Summer months. Both roads are steep, twisty and very narrow. Please change the road speed. Also please note the road surface from Scarborough Park to Nicholson Park (all of Scarborough Road) needs completely resurfacing as there are lots of extreme large potholes which totally unacceptable to the ratepayers and visitors. The condition of this road is very, very bad. Thank you Christine & John Freeman [REDACTED]
42083	Bruce	Airns		Yes. It is critical that a Big Sign be placed at the start of hill advising drivers that the speed limit is now "40 ' and that "Down Hill traffic giveaway to Up Hill traffic ".  The new speed limit is a fantastic ideal. I have lived on the hill for 30 years and the traffic is going faster now.  Another big problem on the road up the hill is people walking on the road.  Edward Maunley Walking track needs to be opened up again to get the walkers off the road.  This is a critical situation  Also the track above the road from the bottom needs clearing at the top end before the road turns hard left  30 years ago the track came up by the corner house and then onto the road by the end of his driveway  Over time this has been covered up with bush and needs clearing and reinstating
42125	Clare	Feeley		Yes please!!! [REDACTED] residents and others just fly pass all the time with no concern or respect for anyone. There really should be a cop somewhere taking speeds of cars to see how serious it is. Weekends are even worse as there is so much more traffic. I think 30 k would be a safe speed. It really needs to be monitored both now and after it changes.
42139	Michael	Esposito		Roads were designed to carry people efficiently from one destination to another.  The reduction to the 40Km limit in Sumner (and 30km in the township) has caused huge delays and built up traffic in the weekends when visitors come to the beach. Cars in Nayland road now are almost backed up to Heberden Ave when trying to exit the suburb. I would recommend investigating the results of the reduced speed limits already in place before going ahead with further measures. Sumner township is an oddity due to its heavy traffic congestion at the beach with only one exit road. I have used Scarborough hill for 25 years - cars travel at their own reduced speed when required and I believe a 40km speed limit, which will now be extended for about 3-4km will cause frustrations and accidents.  frustrations and accidents.
42199	Richard	Webster		The road from Sumner through to Taylor's Mistake is currently not wide enough for two cars to pass safely. There are several points where cars are parked on the side of the road that causes an increased danger as the cars coming down hill need to stop to allow upcoming cars to pass.  There are many school aged children living in Godley Drive, Sunrise Lane and Peninsula View. The current speed creates increased danger for pedestrians.

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42226	Mark	Penrice		<p>If any "traffic calming" measures are included can they be targeted at SUV's rather than small cars - it seems strange to keep building speed bumps when 75%ish of new cars on the road (SUVs &amp; Utes) are designed to be able to go over "speedbumps" without slowing down.</p> <p>I support the lower speed limits in every residential area of the city - I am less supportive of low speed limits outside the city.</p>
42327	Sandra	Van Hout		<p>Generally, Monday to Friday, speed is not an issue on Scarborough and Taylors Mistakes Roads. At the weekend, vehicles travelling to/from Taylors Mistake can be an issue, although not often due to speed. In addition to reducing speed I would like to see clear signage at the start of Scarborough Hill informing vehicle drivers that the road is narrow and winding; that you must GIVE WAY TO UPHILL TRAFFIC; and that you must leave space for cyclists also sharing this road (1.5 metres ideally, and that if its not safe to pass, then you'll need to slow and wait behind the cyclist for the traffic going the opposite way to pass)..... On almost all occasions where I encounter issues while using this road daily, speed is not the issue, it is bad/inconsiderate drivers. When you are driving downhill and stop behind a parked vehicle to give way to uphill traffic, cars will pull out from behind you and try to pass you while you are waiting. When you are cycling up/down the hill, vehicles are impatient and will pass close enough to raise the hairs on your arm.... (and if you're travelling uphill can send you into the cliff). Clear signage that this is a shared space and is narrow and winding and good traffic manners need to be observed would be my preference over reducing the speed limit. The vehicles I have issues with, will not read the reduced speed sign... and if they do it won't encourage them to drive to the road conditions, which is far more important than speed on this stretch of road.</p> <p>Perhaps you should go further in your traffic management planning by encouraging the government to mandate compulsory defensive driving courses for all new drivers...??</p>
42623	Cody	Cooper		<p>I support this change.</p>
43008	Marvis	Kelly		<p>The first hairpin bend on Scarborough Road (opposite The Rocks, corner of Whitewash Head Road) is particularly dangerous, as vehicles coming downhill cannot see traffic coming uphill until they have almost completed the bend. Large vehicles virtually block the road as they turn, some having to do three-point turns. The retaining wall on the bend has been crashed into many times and demolished at least three times in recent years as vehicles swerve to avoid a collision. Motorists exiting their garages near the bend are unable to see downhill traffic until they are well into the road - particularly dangerous for cyclists. Installing a mirror on the corner would be a cheap and effective solution to these problems, as downhill traffic and motorists exiting garages would both be warned about oncoming vehicles and bicycles.</p>
43051	Vanessa	Stedman		<p>Slower speeds good. Often poorly visible pedestrians in Scarborough road and nearly Godley drive. Fatality will happen.</p> <p>Please reduce parking on hill and near godley drive</p>
43195	Martin	Than		<p>I agree that vehicles travel too fast on these roads and I support the speed reduction.</p>
43399	Chris	Stanley		<p>I agree with the proposal to lower the speed limit to 40</p>
43467	Tom	Thomson		<p>Speed restrictions of this type will only be observed by those who abide by the law.</p> <p>The "hoon element", "boy/girl racers" etc will not change their habits because you put up a sign. The Police cannot be expected to be there late after dark when these idiots do a bay run.</p> <p>The main issue on Taylors Mistake road is that the council never followed through on the upgrade of this very road. It was recognised, over a decade ago, that there were severe safety concerns due to narrow, winding nature of the road with no gutters, no footpaths etc.</p>

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				<p>The project was to have been done in 3 phases starting at the Taylors Mistake bay end. The first phase was completed and has improved the situation no end. We have all been very patient waiting for the second and third phase as we understand the impact of the 2011 earthquake, me more than most. What annoys me is that we have not been advised that stage 2 and 3 have been dropped and believe it is high time the promised upgrade is delivered.</p> <p>You are encouraging a fix of the symptom, not fixing the underlying problem. I have photos of cars on the wrong side of the road on blind corners on both sides of this hill due to the fact the road is not wide enough for two normal cars to pass and often the center line is not in the middle of the road.</p> <p>Fix the road up as promised all those years ago.</p>
43534	Aaron	Simon		<p>I feel like it's self-evident why slower speeds are needed on these crowded and narrow streets.</p> <p>I would like to see how you plan to reenforce this change with changes to the road layout. Self-reenforcing road design will trump a posted sign every time, so I would expect to see some sort of visual narrowing of the zone at the very least.</p>
43872	Doug	Chapman		<p>Totally agree with reducing speed limit to 40k. Often young drivers use the road as racetrack.</p> <p>My main issue is that there needs to be signs indicating that downhill traffic should yield to uphill vehicles.</p> <p>I have requested this a few years ago but no action taken.</p> <p>The signage works well on Clifton hill so why can't this apply to Scarborough &amp; Taylor's Mistake roads?</p> <p>Often city drivers do not give way to uphill drivers &amp; even cross the centre white line.</p> <p>Some city drivers are not aware of hill road rules.</p> <p>Over the 26 years I have lived on Scarborough Road I have noted broken roadside rails as result of poor driving.</p>
43969	Judi	Foster		<p>Please keep the speed limit at 50km/hr, then everyone knows what the speed limit is. Having different speed limits for patches of streets around Christchurch makes it too difficult to know what the speed limit is, where ever you are.</p>
43996	Glen	Koorey		<p>I support this proposal; the geometry of the streets in question certainly would struggle to encourage faster speeds anyway. If you want to get people travelling even slower via low-cost measures there's a well-proven one already: get rid of the centreline. Having a centreline gives drivers more certainty about "their" side of the road, causing them to drive faster (plenty of NZ and international research about this). You might only need to add some edge lines or other delineation at some of the corners.</p>
44028	Adam	Lines		<p>Thank you for the opportunity to submit on these changes. I was wondering if there is any scope to lower the speed limit to 30km/h instead please? Given that these reductions won't be complemented with traffic calming at this stage, I wonder if the average speed limit drop will only be 2-3km/h, as the research tends to suggest. Thanks again for the continued commitment to deliver safe streets.</p>
44063	Duncan	Gatland		<p>I put it to you, that speeds is much less of a problem, than drivers thinking that they can cross partially into the oncoming lane, because what they "see" as being available is not wide enough for their vehicle. This is an extreme hazard.</p> <p>As well as reducing the speed limit, which in effect applies only to those who care to take the signed/ gazetted speed into consideration is a reasonable step.</p> <p>But further signage is required to remind drivers to remain on their side of the carriageway, unless the way ahead is fully clear.</p> <p>I note on the other two hills Richmond and Clifton, downhill drivers are invited to give way to uphill traffic.</p> <p>To date, as far as I am aware, there has been no serious accidents, but it is just a matter of time. Much better that it is avoided.</p> <p>For your information, I live on the hill. We have no letter box for our own reasons. The system failed to ensure that as ratepayers, living here, we were informed. And change affects all. All who contribute via the rate take should be informed.</p>

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				<p>Another aspect is how will it be enforced. I note in Sumner it is generally 40kmh and 30kmh in the village. It is fair to observe that most drivers travel in excess of these speeds. But perhaps not so fast as before.</p> <p>Elsewhere, such as along the causeway at McCormack’s Bay of past it going into the City traffic often travels at perhaps up to 70kmh, often only to have to top at the traffic lights near the Ferrymead bridge. On the very rare occasion that I’ve observed is this policed. So as like most places and many countries the signage is in place, but with limited effect.</p>
44164	Lynne	Macdonald		Support Scarborough and Taylors Mistake slow speeds