

Submissions for the Slow speeds neighbourhood - Avondale

Submission ID	First name	Last name	Organisation	Is there anything we need to know before carrying out these changes?
41917	Natasha	Lemmens		Definitely agree that a change to 40km would benefit the neighborhood.
41920	Melanie	Smith		I started a petition that went to the burwood community board last year. I'm concerned re the proposal as cannot see how reducing the speed to 40 will help. The cars that speed down Briarmont st go in excess of 80km at times - please tell me how reducing to 40 km will help this. Speed needs policing. Why can a speed camera / unmarked vehicle be situated at various times to catch the offenders
41923	Antony	Harrison		The drivers who accelerate to high speeds along Woolley Street are done by drivers who care not that the speed limit is 50, 40, 30... At times I would estimate speeds of 60-80km/h are reached by the time they have gone past the preschool on their way to Avondale road. Signs do nothing without enforcement. Bring in speed bumps and reduce the speed limits.
41924	Gavin	Donaghey		These drivers can not obey the current 50km/h speed limit. I have seen cars travelling in excess of 80km/h. Reducing to 40km/h will not make any difference to these drivers. Speed cameras and fines would be the only answer to this problem.
41925	Jennene	Darby		The roads being proposed to be reduced to 40kph are main networks that people use and should not be reduced, and 40kph speed signs will not deter people at all. The inner roads in Avondale such as Waratah street, which is a long, almost straight road is used as a speedtrack by many young motorheads and this street at least should have speed humps installed.
41927	Jane	Edens		Lowering the speed wont change how people are driving in the area. Also its not the speed that worries me its the burnouts being done by the people living on Besant pl, we all know what house !! I think some rd islands need to be installed to make it safer for kids crossing the rds and it would also stop the burnout/donuts esp the very open intersection of Cowes St and Orrick crescent!!!!
41929	Kath	Eiffe		I think it is absolutely ridiculous that thousands of dollars will be spent to change the speed limit. [REDACTED] many complaints have been made to council and police with no action taken. The culprits need to be caught and held to account..we have asked to have a speed camera put in the street every now and then to catch the people who race down at 100 kms per hour as always it's the minority who cause problems and everyone else has to suffer the consequences. Changing to 40kms is not going to stop the minority. I do hope this submission is heard and the decision to change hasn't already been made as I suspect it has....You need to listen to the people/residents not to someone sitting behind a desk who lives nowhere near the problem....Catch them fine them..stop them. Save the tax payers money being spent on yet another waste of time and money....NO to speed reduction !!!
41930	Kevin	Cooney		[REDACTED], I think your missing the main point , Anzac rd / dyers ring road not being used as major route ,. Avondale rd bypass a great idea now for speedsters, trucks , heavy vehicles , buses , and shaking the shite out of the TC sections and rebuilds .. they see open land on one side and go nuts .. Maybe a your speed illuminated sign like centaurs rd / tai tape main rd Will batter the speed down ..
41936	Carl	Lawrie		I fail to understand how reducing the speed limit will have any effect? If the people who speed disregard the current speed limits they will disregard a lower one. The only people this will slow down are the ones who already abide by the speed limit and are therefore not the problem. Speed bumps would have been a much better deterrent.
41948	Don	Gainsford		Object to changing the speed limit. 50km is fine. In fact the 30km town speed limit is also annoying. Please put this back to 50km - the nanna state is not wanted.

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				Please leave the speed at 50km.
41949	Ngaire	Garrick		<p>████████████████████ the increase in traffic volume and speeds has dramatically increased over the past 7 years. The traffic starts about 5am and certainly doesnt keep to 50km/h.</p> <p>Its not only cars but truck and trailer units that use the area proposed for changes. These shake the house when fully loaded and at times feel like an earthquake. I would agree with the proposed submission 100%</p>
41951	Lynne	Macdonald		Support Scarborough and Taylors Mistake slow speeds
41952	David	Haythornthwaite		Excellent suggestion to reduce the speed limit within the Avondale area. Completely support this initiative.
41953	Bailey	Patridge		<p>Hi there, ██████████</p> <p>The Cowes Street / Orrick Cresnet intersection is notorious for burn outs due to the size of this intersection. There are always Tyre marks (from donuts and other dangerous skids) on this stretch of road as well as concerns for the noise it creates.</p> <p>I am in support of this however it's all well and good reducing the speed limie but this will not deter the driver doing burnouts on this "skid pad". I would suggest some sort of speed bump to break up the road or traffic island to make this less inviting.</p> <p>Please if considered DO NOT put a round about as this will encourage donuts and further skids.</p> <p>I also have a video from our security camera of someone doing a skid on Doyle Place and I am unable to attach to this submission but please email me and I can forward this if you wish.</p>
41954	Johnathan	Trowbridge		I believe it won't change a thing people will still speed around the area as wainoni road and breezers are main road in this area.
41955	Matthew	Dyer		Do not reduce the speeds. Just dont do it
41958	Kristy	Mitchell		<p>If these changes go ahead, I hope that the speed compliance will be regularly monitored/enforced by Police, otherwise it's a waste of time and money.</p> <p>Though it'll be us law abiding, residents with common sense, will be obeying the speed limited. The ones that now drive excessively fast/doing burnouts that don't/won't care what the legal speed is.</p> <p>I feel it'll be more worth while to put in speed bumps in to target these people, but of course that costs more money.</p>



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41959	Jane	Haythornthwaite		I fully support the proposal to reduce speed limits on selected streets in Avondale. It is an excellent idea and will make the area safer for everyone.
41977	Anthony	Dowell		<p>hi , [REDACTED] i am keen to see something to be implemented along Mervyn drive to slow speeding cars. It seems that due to less houses the cars use it as a bit of a sprint zone and for burn outs.</p> <p>Given a lot of these vehicles are modified and lowered, a far more effective measure would be to install 2 or 3 speed bumps especially along side the park.</p> <p>I say this because many times in the sporting season when there are rows of cars parked along both sides of Mervyn dr and barely wide enough for two cars i have watched a variety of drivers going way to fast should any kids be crossing the road.</p> <p>As much as it is far simpler to put up a sign i know that it will mean little to those who dont care and we are left with having to put up with the noise and the risk.</p> <p>regards tony dowell</p>
41979	Andrew	Todd		<p>[REDACTED], we fully support the proposed change of slow speeds in the Avondale neighbourhood!</p> <p>In recent years we have seen a number of young families move in to the area with more children enjoying interacting around the streets and also in Avondale park.</p> <p>While we fully support the change to slower speeds, do we honestly believe this will have the desired effect on those that are behind the reason for this proposed change (?). There has been an increase in "boy racer" activity in the area leaving their "calling card" which is very much unwanted and disrespectful for those of us who choose to be proud of where we live.</p> <p>We personally believe a reduced speed limit will not have the desired effect given at the current 50 km/h limit, they seem to believe this does not apply to them. We also acknowledge it is not solely those that use our streets as race tracks, that are contributing to the wider issue.</p> <p>Would it not be more prudent to narrow down the longer straighter streets and include speed humps, thus mitigating the speed of all those that choose to push the boundaries and place other lives at risk.</p> <p>What will it take to make the right improvement ... surely not the loss of an innocent life !!</p> <p>We applaud the initiative being taken, however believe needs to be expanded to provide the right solution.</p>
41981	Inger Lise	Pettersen		Sounds like an excellent idea. Maybe consider speed bumps on the longer straighter stretches of road too such as Eglington St
41982	June	Cross		I think the proposed lower speed limit would not be advantages on this busy Wainoni Rd road with traffic lights. Drivers will be frustrated and angry, I already get harassed for doing 50k [REDACTED]. A lot of the speeding happens at night time. A speed camera may be more advantageous.
41992	Lisa	Van Vuuren		Many of the streets in the grid concerned are very narrow (especially when cars are parked on both sides of the road), so a lower speed limit will help with negotiating these roads more safely.
41993	Denise	Jory		yes please we constantly driving on streets with black tyre marks around corners, made by the same cars, we have children walking to school and playing, we live in fear that someone will be hit, a camera down Waratah street would be fantastic, to catch these guys, and get their cars off the streets, even a temporary trial of the camera would be fantastic, we have had our cellphones out waiting for them, if they pass they return to ask what are we doing,then a mouth full of abuse, then spend days wondering if they come back to damage the property.
41999	Michelle	Fitzpatrick		I 100% support this change and more than happy for some judder bars to help promote/encourage people to slow down. I [REDACTED] have only recently moved here and have been very disappointed at the speed of vehicles travelling on this otherwise quiet street. It isn't just young people in noisy

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				and modified cars it is also a lot of tradespeople that are travelling far too fast. The road itself is quite wide and I believe this is what encourages people to drive faster than what is actually safe.
42004	Suzanne	Walker		<p>Hi, very grateful that CCC is looking at this. [REDACTED] Waratah is a racetrack with cars just barreling down there; Woolley is where they weave in and out of parked cars burning up their tyres. Its horrendous. We've had two crashes on our corner because of speed; only one was attended by Police though.</p> <p>Problem is that reducing speed limit to 40km will mean as much to these people as a 50km limit - zero! They pay no heed already to residents: children, pets, cyclists, school zones, day/night, they just don't care. There's road rage incidents on the corner caused by dangerous driving where people have had to intervene to stop assaults. We don't want our area to become a complete mish-mash of roading measures which make the streets almost unusable for residents to live and drive normally (like other neighbourhoods), but not sure that a 40km speed limit will make a squit of a difference. Maybe give certain responsible residents a set of spikes they can chuck on the road when we're having a night of idiots tearing up the place? Thanks.</p>
42013	Shelley	Stevenson		<p>I [REDACTED] don't think the change in speed limit down to 40km/h is necessary.</p> <p>It is already 40km/h at the appropriate times of Chisnallwood Intermediate School starting and finishing and there is a patrol for crossing the road at these times. I am against this proposed change, as it is already a busy road and the traffic needs to continue to flow.</p>
42020	Darryl	Washington		<p>It is great to see that this is now a recognised problem in our area!!!!</p> <p>While reducing the speed is a great start, I really think that it needs to go to the next level.</p> <p>The type of person that is travelling at excessive speeds and carrying out "burn outs" will not be deterred by reduced speed signs. The only people that will observe the reduced speeds will be the law abiding citizens in the neighbourhood. Unless there will be constant enforcing of the speeds by police or speed cameras, then I feel the best option would be to install speed humps. These WILL reduce speed.</p> <p>I realise installing speed humps is a funding issue and not in the scope of this submission, but it would be the best outcome for the whole neighbourhood.</p>
42024	Hazel	Hope		<p>[REDACTED], we are constantly having speeding cars and in the vicinity of Waratah Street and Melvyn Road there is increasing incidents of 'wheelies' with rubber burn marks increasing on these roads. Whilst a reduction in speed limit is welcome, how is it going to be policed when some people can't keep within the 50 kph speed limit.</p> <p>I and a few of my neighbours feel that there needs to be speed cameras, and higher visibility of policing in the area.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>
42029	Garry	Lennon		<p>I am all for this, but whether the speed if 40km or 50km, people are still driving like fools well over 50kms. If you have a look on the intersection of Orrick Crescent and Cowes Street, you will understand what I am trying to say. I believe speed humps and islands in the intersections would be more effective as this would restrict speeds of people being able to go up to 80kms and higher. There are a lot of children around the neighbourhood and someone young or older is going to be cleaned up one day.</p>
42036	Leah	King		<p>As a resident of Avindale I fully support the proposed lower speed limits. It would also be great if there could also be some enforcement of the 50km/hr limit on Avondale Road and or include Avondale Road in the proposal for a 40km/hr limit, or add some road furniture to force people to slow down. Avondale Road is currently used as a highway, people routinely travel at >70km/hr and overtake, it's also part of the Avondale community and loads of kids use the roads to get to the local schools. There have been significant accidents on the road and it's only a matter of time before someone is taken out waiting to turn into their driveway or a school kid gets taken out by a speeding vehicle.</p>
42037	Josey	Fleitas		<p>As a resident of Avondale, I don't believe changing the speed limit will make any difference to the safety of this area. People who follow the law don't speed, that isn't the problem. Street racers, burnouts, those aren't going to follow the laws and the speed limit change won't affect their behavior. Only speed humps or other physical barriers to the criminal driving that is obvious by the skid marks and burnout circles on our streets will make any difference. The speed limit change will just be annoying for those of us already following the rules. Don't punish we who comply with the rules and regulations in place, put an end to street racing and burnouts, which truly is a danger to our young families in Avondale. Thank you for your time.</p>


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42046	Sophia	Davis		████████████████████. Wainoni Road is a serious concern with regards to speed. If reductions are not plausible, then speed cameras would hopefully be a deterrent.
42057	Anthony	Daniels		Heavy traffic and speed - support the lowering of the speed limit
42061	Ian	Trenberth		Unfortunately a change like this is felt as a punishment for those people who use these roads everyday and obey the rules, while those who are the problem few (speeding, racing, deliberate loss of traction, loud vehicles, revving etc) - "anti-social drivers" - won't take any notice of these new speed limits. They already far exceed the 50kph limits. Changing to 40kph will have no affect. What needs to happen is active monitoring of these streets when the problems are occurring which is between approx 8pm-5am. It occurs daily. Needless to say I don't support this change to the speed limit as it does not affect the anti-social drivers.
42072	Stacey	Wilson		I believe this change would be good to benefit the local schools kindy and community park users not to mention the bridge walk to donnell Park Engaged with breezes road from wainoni road to new brighton road for safer pathways for bicycle. Breezes road wainoni corner is terrible set of traffic lights for pedestrians.
42092	Emma	Johnson		Corner of Orrick crescent and Wainoni Rd needs a speed bump to prevent drivers hooning into Orrick crescent full speed. Lower speed limit won't prevent this. It's right by a dairy, kids are crossing here constantly and what should be a safe area is definitely not.
42116	Garry	Thompson		I think its a great idea - However it needs policing otherwise its a waste of time money and resources. Make sure it is followed up , just putting up signs wont work. Cameras sign posted and police presence is needed. Thankyou
42128	Sarah	Butterfield		I fully support the proposed speed reduction for parts of Avondale. I hope that the changes can be made soon and that they are accompanied by traffic calming measures as well, otherwise I don't believe that the behaviour of some will change at all.
42142	Michael	Robinson		This a great idea. How will it be enforced?
42147	Carl	Davidson		████████████████████ the speed limit is 50. Already it's a regular occurrence that people try to do reach 100 as fast as possible, changing anything to 40 around here won't make a difference. Speed bumps however in combination with a 40 would be great, especially on Mervyn drive
42158	Kerry	Durie	Glen Durie Engines	This is just nonsense this will do nothing to stop speeding in this area. We have a few shit bag boy racers renting "RED ZONE AS IS HOUSES THEY SHOULD NOT BE THERE THEY HAVE BEEN WRITTEN OFF CHEAP RENT "and they come and go like the wind. So lower the speed in Avondale will do nothing to them as they are only here for a very short time .It will how ever be a pain in the ass for ever for us permanent resident who mostly would be doing less than the 50km but if you bring it down to 40km and inadvertently someone goes back to the 50km will be getting a ticket and you will be punishing the very people who are complaining leave the speed alone .WE need police presence in this area 1 to try and catch the few that speed and 2 so that they can see the police are patrolling .WE get constant burn outs at night they speed in do there burn out and speed out is lowing the speed to 40km going to stop this NO !!!! Fix the problem close off the red zone streets get some police to patrol put in a speed camera from time to time!!!! Don't inconvenience the us the poor resident any more .To lower the speed to 40km NO Kerry Durie
42160	Marie & Malcolm	Campbell		We note that the Avondale area is bounded by Avondale Road, Breezes Rd, Wainoni Rd and the Avon River. We would like to request that Avondale Rd itself is also included in the reduced speed. Every time a bigger vehicle, particularly any trucks, go past our house the whole house moves as if we are in another earthquake. This is quite traumatic for those of us that are terrified of earthquakes. Cars currently often travel down Avondale Rd with excessive speeds, almost as if it is an open road speed zone. One day a child or elderly person is going to be killed on this road. The amount of traffic travelling down here has also tripled since the earthquakes, particularly from trucks and buses/heavy road users. If the road speed were to be decreased this would greatly improve the safety in this area and hopefully discourage these vehicles from coming down here and instead using the ring route for what it was designed for. Mar

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42184	Stephen	Wright		I strongly support the proposed reduction in the speed limit for Avondale streets. From what I've noticed, Mervyn Drive in particular lends itself to speeding. It has a limited amount of housing on the park side only, and is wide.
42615	Cody	Cooper		I support the changes.
43151	Anya	Armstrong		Waratah street needs speed bumps as it is used for car racing and making doughnuts by cars at late evening especially on weekends
43209	Glen	van der Busse		I would like to say that I totally agree with the speed review in Avondale, I just hope that this also includes Waratah Street as we have been complaining to the Nz Police / Community Roadwatch Report since August 2018 and nothing has been done about it. We get speedsters traveling at least 80km/h or more as they just love the bend near our house at number 50 and then once they have past the bend they just let it rip till they get to the end (lower numbers) You only need to drive through the streets and see all the tire marks. I myself had to get out of the way while reversing our car up our drive as a speedster was approaching us in a fast manner just before the bend during the day, this made me reverse in a quick manner and unfortunately i hit the stone fence pillar and had \$2500 worth of damage to our car. Rather than getting crushed in my drivers door, So yes we are all for it - Not sure if it will slow the motorcycles and vehicles down but one can only hope. Regards Glenn and Jenny
43214	Lyn	Armstrong		While I support lower speed limits for many areas I have lived in this neighborhood for 25+ years [REDACTED] and have not witnessed excessive speed. Most streets are short and vehicles travel well under 50km in our area. The corner of Orrick and Cowles st is wide and is sometimes used for donuts by boy racers and would be improved by narrowing it.
43218	Sandra	Riach		You may want to address the surrounding streets. [REDACTED] cars turn off Breezes Road into Eglington St and then into Niven st to race cars around to Avondale Road.
43404	Steve	Smith		Reducing the speed will solve nothing. Boy/girl racers exceed the speed limit by 50km/hr already. We need intense judder bars to stop speed through our beautiful neighborhood. Especially outside Avondale Park. A child will be killed one day because of boy racers. Please just come look at the roads. What would you want for your children?
43405	Angela	Smith		I believe, as a resident of Avondale, and hearing and seeing the boy racers in our neighbourhood - sometimes in broad daylight - revving their cars, doing burnouts, and speeding - that simply reducing the speed in the area, will not resolve the issue. The streets are straight and wide enough that there is plenty of opportunity for them to do what they do. Currently the speed limit is 50, but they do a lot higher speeds than that, so reducing the speed will not solve a thing, or make them reduce their speed. What we need is judder bars, placed along Mervyn Drive, Briarmont St and Waratah St. This will slow them down; especially the yellow and black bolt down ones. Formed judder bars with concrete are easily sped over too; especially if the height is wrong, there are a few judder bars which can be easily sailed over at the speed limit, or above. For example, the judder bars on Joy St near the park at Pagoda St and Vardon Cres. Thank you.
43421	John	King		Is Avondale road not in Avondale? The volume and velocity of vehicles travelling along Avondale road is tremendous. Police seem to frequently use it, lights blazing and at high speed. We've had several accidents and a fatality in the last couple of years, yet the quiet streets are getting calming measures, while nothing has been done to manage the traffic along Avondale rd.
43505	Shani	Williams		I think this is a great idea! Even having speed bumps down breezes road near the school would be ideal! So many times people hve been speeding and don't stop at the crossings plus two crashes have happened right outside my house! [REDACTED] if there were any children around they could have been seriously injured.
43517	Sam	Haythornthwaite		Hi, I support these changes and would also recommend speed bumps along waratah street - specifically just after the left hand turn off Woolley street onto waratah street. I [REDACTED] regularly see this as a starting point for high acceleration from cars as well as speeding cars cutting the corner onto Woolley street. With a local kindy on Woolley street this will also make the local area safer for our young ones. The recent skid marks on Woolley street show that along with a slower speed limit a speed bump can also assist with slowing the racing traffic in this area.

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43532	Aaron	Simon		<p>I would like to see how you plan to reenforce this change with changes to the road layout.</p> <p>Self-reinforcing 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>
43604	Floyd	Rudolph	EF Receiver	<p>Is this a united nation ICLEI project. Please send the plans.</p>
43613	Cam	Rossiter		<p>Fully support the reduced speed on Woolley St, Waratah St, Brairmont St, Mervyn Dr & Orrick Cres. As these roads are used by people to cut across from Avondale Road - Waioni Road, and have been used in attempts to flee police. Big / aggressive speed bumps would also stop the other anti social behaviour, of skids / burn outs.</p> <p>Why doesn't CCC build a skid pad for these muppets to use, either that or install some security cameras around Avondale to provide NZ Police with the evidence they need to pursue charges against them.</p>
43714	Amanda	Billing		<p>The corner of Orrick Crescent and Cowes Street is a very bad corner for doughnuts. On average there are about two a week. As well as being very loud (often it sounds like the car is about to crash into the house), they can be dangerous. On at least one occasion the car has crashed into the lamp post and the driver had to be taken off in an ambulance. Is there anything that can be done to stop this? Speed bump, traffic circle or speed camera? I've attached a photo of the current state of the corner.</p>
				
43722	John	Hawtin		<p>I've lived here for over fifty year and haven't noticed excessive speeds. The idea is to keep the traffic flowing not slow it down which only makes people angry, and creates more room for dangerous manoeuvres.</p> <p>The council needs to take responsibility by spending money to improve the roads rather than putting it onto the road users.</p>
43980	Margaret	Wells		<p>I don't think the neighborhood needs to be reduced to 40km because of a few people who rev their cars and burn their tyres, they are going to keep doing this regardless of the speed limit as they currently do now. The amount of residents in the area has reduced. There is only one primary school operating now and they have 40km operating in the morning and afternoon when school opens and closes. I drive to a lot of areas in Christchurch and do not consider the need to reduce this area compared to the volume of traffic, and amount of schools in other areas. Unless it is going to be a city wide decision to change all street speed limits then I don't think this is necessary. I am actually astounded that this has even come up in this area. It is mainly the through traffic that has increased that people use now rather than the neighborhood that is the issue.</p>
43999	John	Lieswyn		<p>Should be 30 km/h - same as central city - as 30 km/h is a more forgiving speed in the event of a crash with a pedestrian or animal.</p>
44000	Glen	Koorey		<p>I support this proposal; it's a logical low-speed neighbourhood area. Although you might not be able to install full traffic calming features straight away due to budget pressures, I'd suggest that you look at low-cost "paint, planters & posts"-style treatments on some of the wider straight streets such as Woolley,</p>

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				Waratah, Briarmont & Orrick. These were used successfully in Dunedin as a first step for the Central Schools Cluster streets. That could include occasional "kerb extensions", or central islands with planting to break up the long sight lines down a street.
44026	Adam	Lines		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.