

North Central Area Full Reports from TAG 28/02/17

1) Millbrook Road/Blunden Drive, Changes to build-out not recommended. Sharepoint Request No. 35600

Following representations from a number of public representatives regarding excessive speed and rat running at this location a build-out has been provided with reduced corner radii which enhances pedestrian safety and forces lower vehicle speed on either approach to this junction. The works have been designed and carried out incorporating the current best practice and guidelines (Design Manual for Urban Roads & Streets - DMURS) as issued by the Department of Transport, Tourism & Sport. The guidelines recognise and emphasise a priority to be given to pedestrians and cyclists without unduly compromising traffic movement. It should be noted that a 3.5 Ton ban exists at the entrance to Blunden Drive from Malahide Road. This build-out also hinders the illegal rat running of HGV's through Millbrook Ave. towards Donaghmede. The alteration of this build-out is therefore not recommended. Following observations of the junction on 4/2/2015 it was noted that pedestrian volumes crossing at this location were low and would not meet the warrant for the provision of Pedestrian Signals. This junction had been examined previously with a similar conclusion. Therefore Pedestrian Signals were not recommended.