# 20's plenty in our community!



**<u>URGENT</u>** Please support 20 mph speed limits on Preston Drove, Stanford Avenue and Surrenden Road by <u>April 8<sup>th</sup> 2014</u>! Speed reduction is now within our reach!

### Send an email to:

### parking.consultation@brighton-hove.gov.uk

- State your support for the proposed 20 mph limits, reference numbers TRO-9b-2014 and TRO-9c-2014.
- Tell the Council that these roads are routes used by children going to the many local schools, and that 20 mph speed limits mean greater safety and a better environment for healthy walking and cycling.
- Give your full name and address.

#### Alternatively, use the response form at:

http://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/content/parking-and-travel/parking/ traffic-regulation-order-tro-proposals (Search for "TRO" on the Council website).

**People without email or web access can write to:** The Executive Director Environment, Development & Housing, Brighton & Hove City Council, Hove Town Hall, Room 323, Norton Road, Hove, BN3 3BQ

#### Spread the word to neighbours and friends!

# Why 20mph limits?

- Preston Drove, Stanford Avenue and Surrenden Road are in a residential area. These streets are used by children and parents going to the many nearby schools and nurseries. Balfour Primary, Downs Infant and Junior School, Dorothy Stringer, Varndean and the Monte-ssori School are located here.
- The local shops at Fiveways and the parks (Preston Park and Blaker's Park), are visited by many adults and children on foot or on bikes.
- More than half of road deaths and serious injuries occur on roads with 30 mph limits, so **these are the important areas to improve.**
- Most people don't want fast traffic outside their house or putting their family members in greater danger.
- There is an accident cluster at the junction of Surrenden Road and Preston Drove.
- Reducing the speed limit to 20 mph would reduce the risk of road traffic collisions and injuries.
- In the first 6 months of 20 mph limits in Brighton & Hove City centre there has been a decrease in traffic speed on 74% on the roads, a 20% decrease in the number of collisions and a 19% decrease in the number of casualties.
- 20mph zones in London have reduced casualties by 42%, and the reduction was greatest for younger children: "20 mph zones are effective measures for reducing road injuries and deaths." See: www.bmj.com/content/339/bmj.b4469



- NICE recommends residential 20mph speed limits. See the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence Public Health Guidance 31 "Preventing unintentional injuries among under-15s" www.nice.org.uk
- The Department for Transport says: "Fear of traffic can affect peoples' quality of life and the needs of vulnerable road users must be fully taken into account in order to further encourage these modes of travel and improve their safety."

#### **Comments from supporters:**

"The facts speak for themselves. We want the roads to be safer for our children."

"Very concerned about many, many cars travelling in excess of 30 mph at present and the danger it causes."

"These roads are crossed by large numbers of children and families twice a day going to and from school. It would make it far safer."

"The evidence is there -If slower speeds can potentially save a child's life then what priority is great than that?"

"A quiet local park and children walking to it and to school are blighted by speeding cars."

## It's safer and more civilised!

SEE OVERLEAF for how to ensure 20 mph speed limits for Preston Drove, Stanford Avenue and Surrenden Road

