

## Appendix A – Covering letter of petition



For many years the residents of Goathurst Comm those who live further down the B2042 have been asking

both the parish council and highways for something to be done about the speed limit through the area between Whitley road to Coopers corner.

This road has become over the last few years both a race track for cars and a through route for HGVs for which the road is utterly unsuitable, being only 5.3 meters wide in places as it passes through the village .

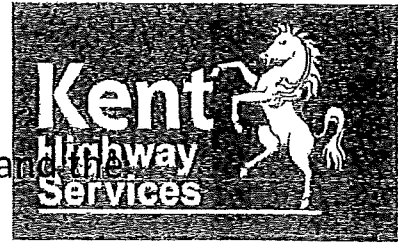
42 houses have entrances straight onto the road with many more joining it from two small lanes namely Whitley Road and Nightingale Lane as well as a large pub and a garden centre car park. The families that live in these houses are very reluctant to walk along the road especially with children because you are always having to get into the hedge to avoid being hit by vehicles, even getting out of drives and the side lanes is dangerous due to the speed of oncoming vehicles and sightlines.

In some places the distance which drivers can see in front of them is down to approx 50 mts due to the multiple bends but, this does not slow them down.

This coupled with the road width I believe, is the reason for so many accidents (on average probably 2 or 3 a week) most of which are not reported because they only result in damage to the vehicles involved or hedges, only this morning one



occurred at the junction of Lady Amhurst Drive and the B2042 causing slight damage to both cars.



As the road passes through Bessels Green and Four Elms a speed limit of 30 MPH is in force so why not Goathurst Common and Ide Hill where is the continuity in this.

I have here a petition signed by 70 local residents with an additional five pages of their comments mostly referring to the speed of cars.

Highways must know that this is a nasty stretch of road as they have put anti-skid surfacing down in a couple of places and most bad skids happen at speed.

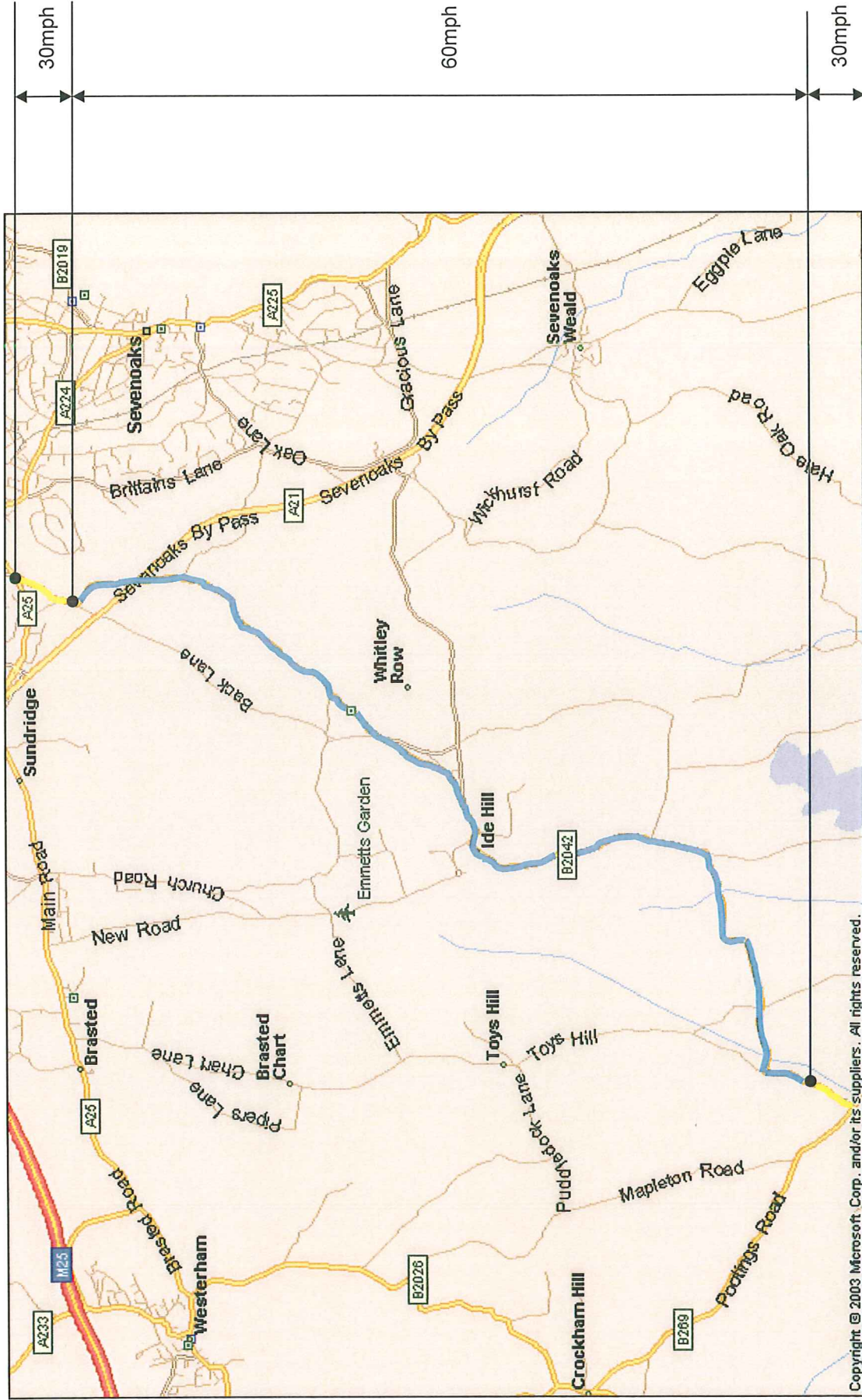
We therefore must ask again that a 30 or at worst 40 MPH speed limit is implemented on this stretch of the B2042 and Nightingale Lane before we witness a very nasty accident involving residents and their children, only to then be told that it should not be an unrestricted road and a speed limit imposed .

The residents feel that they have to wait until the magic number of deaths have occurred before something is done, and this is wrong.

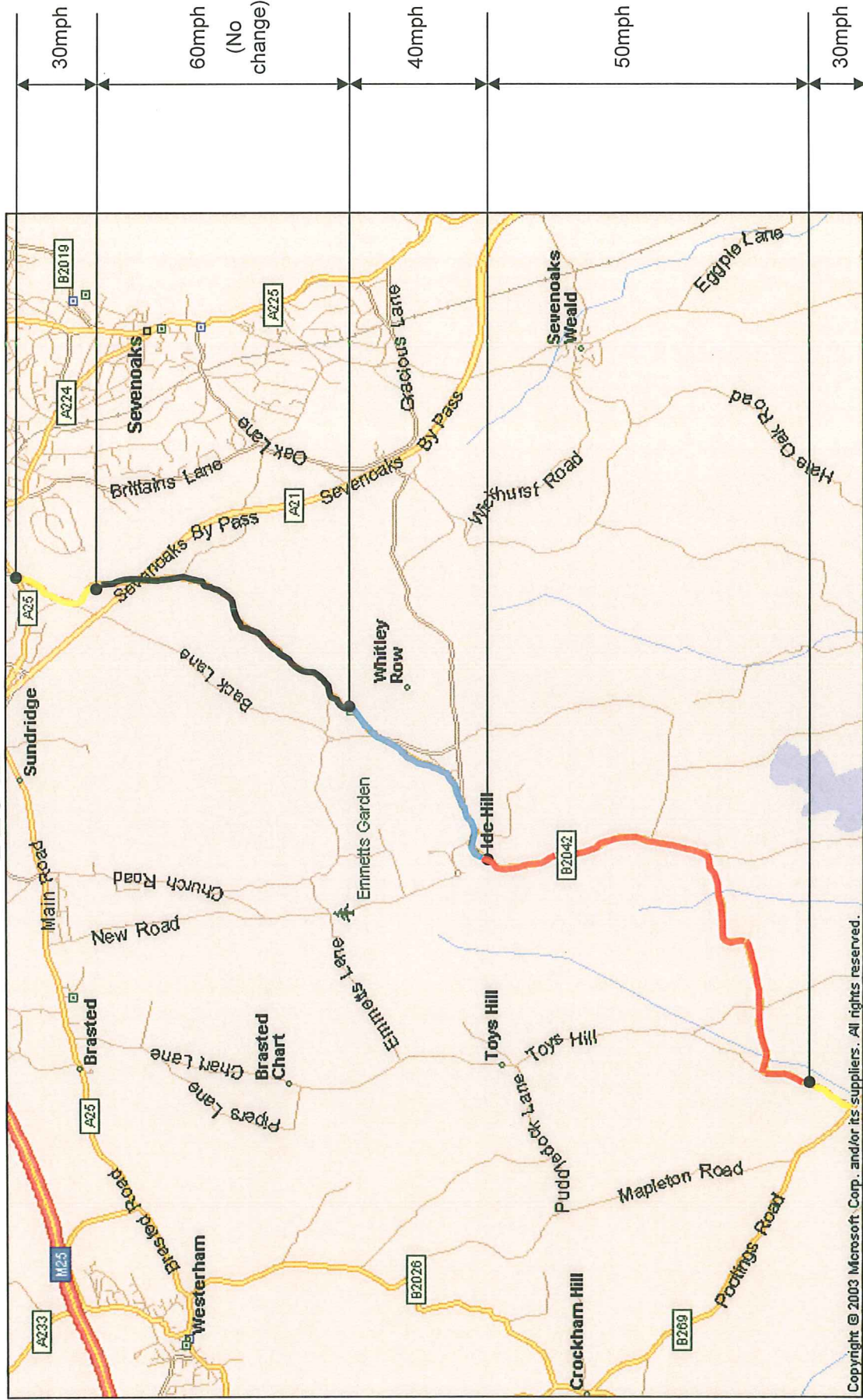
If it is down to costs I know that the residents of Goathurst Common and the Parish Council would help towards the costs due to the amount of feeling on this issue.



# Appendix B – Plan of Existing Speed Limits on the B2042



# Appendix C – Plan of Proposed Changes to Speed Limits on the B2042

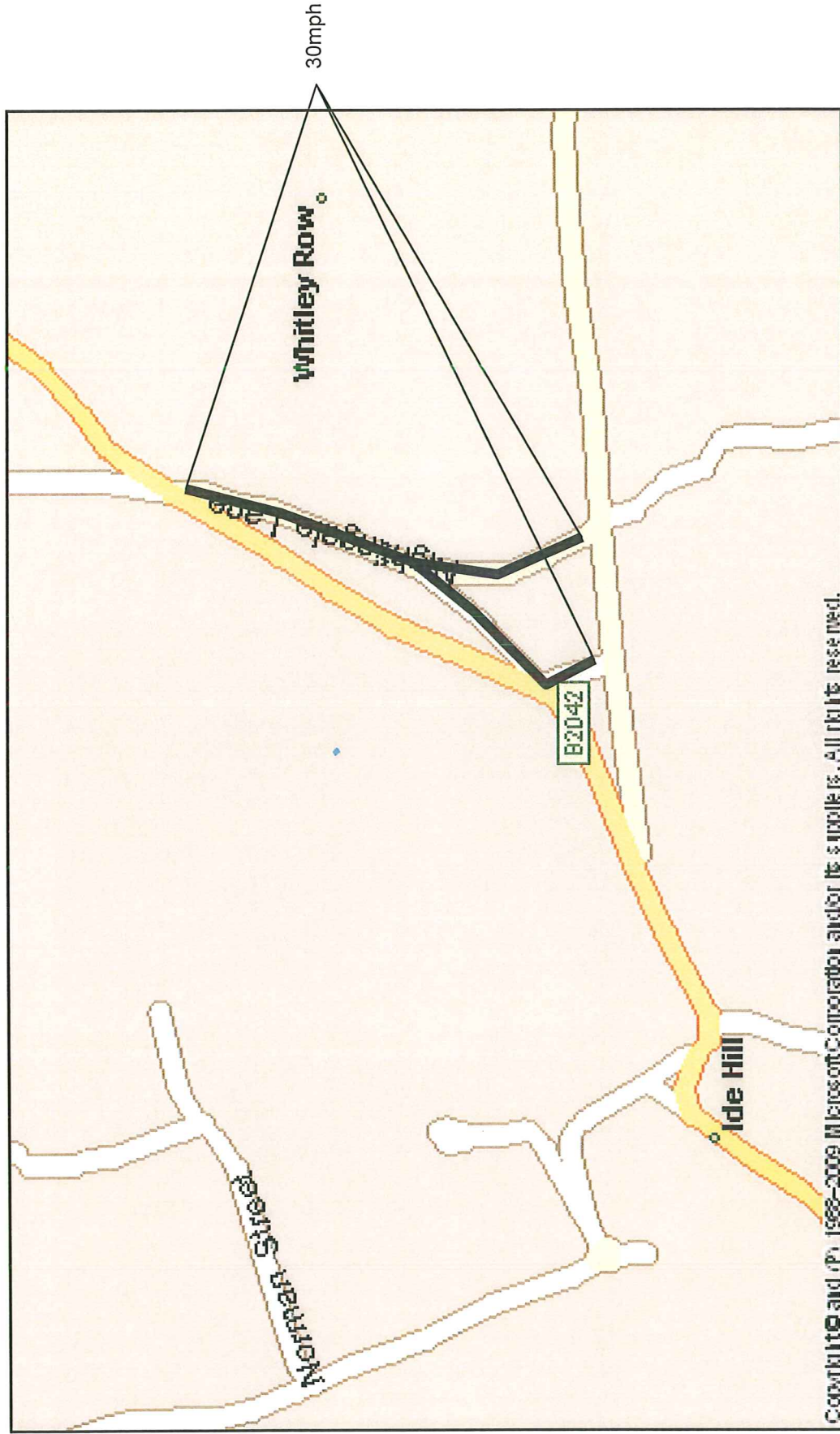


## Appendix D - Indicative costs of traffic Calming

A scoping study carried out in March 2011 indicates that the required budget would be between £9,000 and £27,000 depending on which lengths of the B2042 were to have the speed limit reduced. A further £12,000 would be required if speed limits either side of Goathurst Common were to be high-visibility "gateways".

	Total
A: 40mph on B2042 through Goathurst Common	£10,000
<i>Extra to upgrade both B2042 entries to "gateways"</i>	<i>£12,000</i>
B: Extra to introduce 30mph on Nightingale Lane, etc	£2,200
C: Extra to introduce 40mph on top road leading to Gracious Lane (500m)	£1,800
D: Extra to extend the 50mph speed limit to Four Elms.	£13,000

# Appendix E – Plan of Proposed Changes to Speed Limits through Nightingale Lane



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