The recent local elections results were important for two main reasons.

1) Foremost, many 20’s Plenty activists won/retained council seats (from all political parties) - Sue Nicholls (Herts), Stewart MacDonald and Hannah Greenberg (Hamps), Maureen Corfield and Sarah Sharp in Chichester, Alastair Bayliss and Angela Goodwin in Surrey and more. Please congratulate winners local to you and tell us who, with power, supports 20mph via our Facebook campaigner site.

2) Elections have meant a big change in councillors/power. A change of personnel is a possible change in policy. Please contact newly elected councillors and ensure that they know why 20mph matters, it’s popular and ask for their support.

17th September 2023 is go-live for 20mph in Wales – FOUR months away – more below.

If you need help or ideas in your community, please ask – we’re here to help.

Do share a great short 1.31 video by the ETA myth busting on revving the engine or speedo watching. More here

Special plea… while 20’s Plenty doesn’t charge for advice or many other resources, we do incur costs. Please help by asking your local parish or district council (and others) to buy posters, banners etc, or donation to help sustain our campaigner assistance.

NEWS

Midlothian Council announced most roads will go 20mph 850 to go 20mph and 70 stay at 30mph. 90% 20mph

15-21 May is UN Global Road Safety Week. Use it as a hook for your press releases/letters asking for 20mph. Theme is to rethink mobility and demand 30km/h (20mph) streets for life.

Oxfordshire CC have approved 72 places now for 20mph including Woodcote

London Borough of Newham has announced borough wide 20mph. Once implemented, this will bring to 22 (out of 33) the number of London boroughs with a default 20mph speed limit.

Rod King and Monica Saunders (20’s Plenty for Richmond) are speaking at the MOVE Exhibition at ExCel, London on 21st June. Register for the limited number of complementary free “Speaker Guests” tickets are available. Use this link before 17th May.

CAMPAIGNER INFORMATION

20th of the month Zoom training for all is Saturday 20th May at 8pm (20:00 hrs). Plan tactics at this friendly way to ask questions and share experiences. Please register here.
County campaigns are the way to win together. Recent elections may have opened doors to changes. anna.s@20splenty.org or adrian.b@20splenty.org can help. Asking parish and district councils for 20mph motions is a key tactic. Briefing & Video here.

Join our Campaigner Facebook Group. A vibrant, interactive way to find out how to win, it’s a private group.

Gmail addresses Lots of counties are finding it useful to set up on gmail (20splenty.county@gmail.com). It allows several people to share resources: one email address, google drive for files Adrian can help you to load up template files for mailing lists, proforma council resolutions, emails etc and a county campaign map to display local support like this one in Essex.

Wales supporter zooms on the 17th of every month at 7pm. May features Stephen Cunnah of Sustrans Cymru, Kaarina Rutta from the Welsh Local Government Association. Over 40 people are booked. Register here to learn what would help the success of Welsh 20mph limits. Join the Facebook Group Diolch am 20/Thanks for 20. Welsh stickers and banners are printed. Over 60 Town and Community Councils want to get involved and we are arranging 30min Q&A sessions. We’ve had great feedback from them. Local authorities are currently deciding the exception roads to remain at 30mph here. See the Wales section on our site with Welsh FAQs, graphics and our second Welsh newsletter.

The Welsh Govt confirmed in an FOI request that £810k is funded on the education campaign for 20mph. Whilst initial engagement was around a “Ready for 20” theme, expect much more marketing from late May/early June when it transitions to explaining the benefits and how the 20mph limit will bring friendlier, fairer streets to communities.

Ask us anything anytime by phone, email, Facebook or Twitter.

Thanks for all you do.