



NAIRN RIVER COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Comhairle Coimhearsnachd Abhainn Narann

**NRCC Review of B9101 Speed
Survey Undertaken by Highland
Council on B9101 leading into
Auldearn**

3rd to 11th Nov 2021



NRCC A939 Speed Review THC Survey



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Auldearn B9101 Survey From 03/11/2021 To 10/11/2021

	Total over 7 Days	Daily Average	Total >30MPH	Daily >30	Max Speed over 7 Days
North Bound	899	128	476	68	46-51
South Bound	761	109	365	52	41-46
Total North & South	1660	237	841	120	46-51

Auldearn B9101 Survey From 03/11/2021 To
10/11/2021

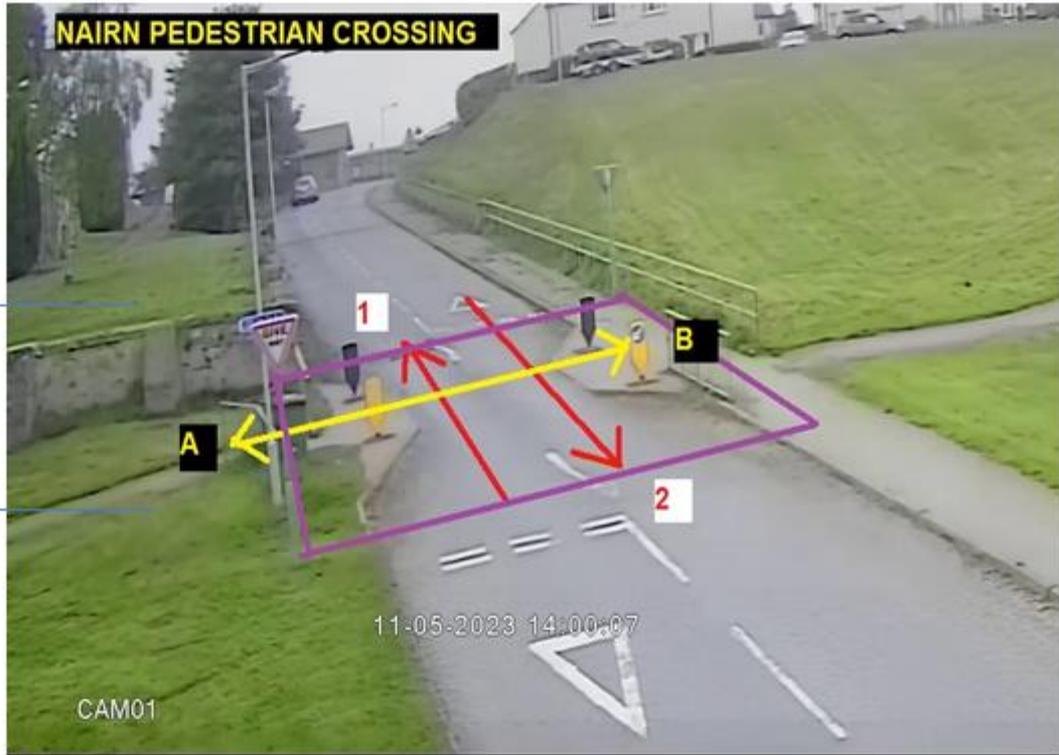
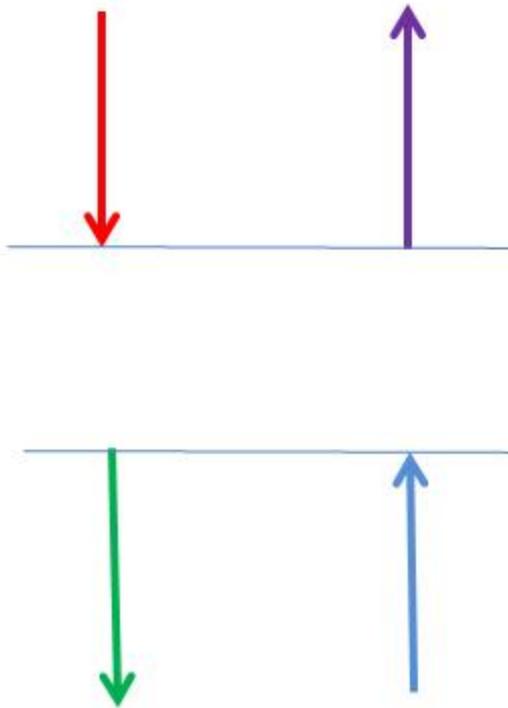
There are no records in the survey of
pedestrians crossing the road



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**NRCC Review of A939 Speed Survey
Undertaken by Highland Council on
the A939 School Crossing
9th to 15th May 2023**

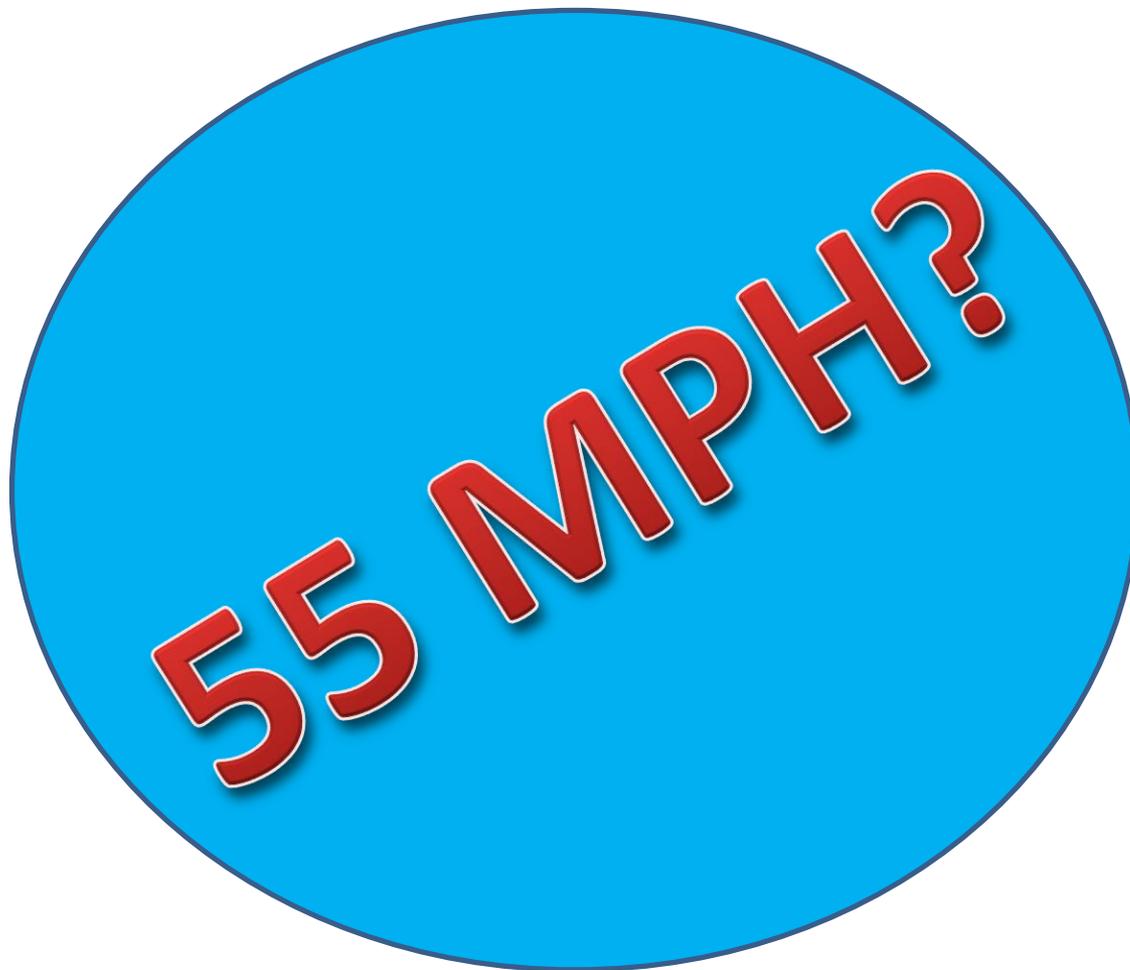
Well within the 30mph area and between two School crossing signs and two Give Way signs along with road markings. Survey strips were placed either side of the crossing one to the North one to the South.



The A939 is a wee Country Road with a road narrowing SAFE SCHOOL Crossing and limited visibility, what would you reckon the maximum speed encountered going through the crossing?

Legal speed for the area is 30mph



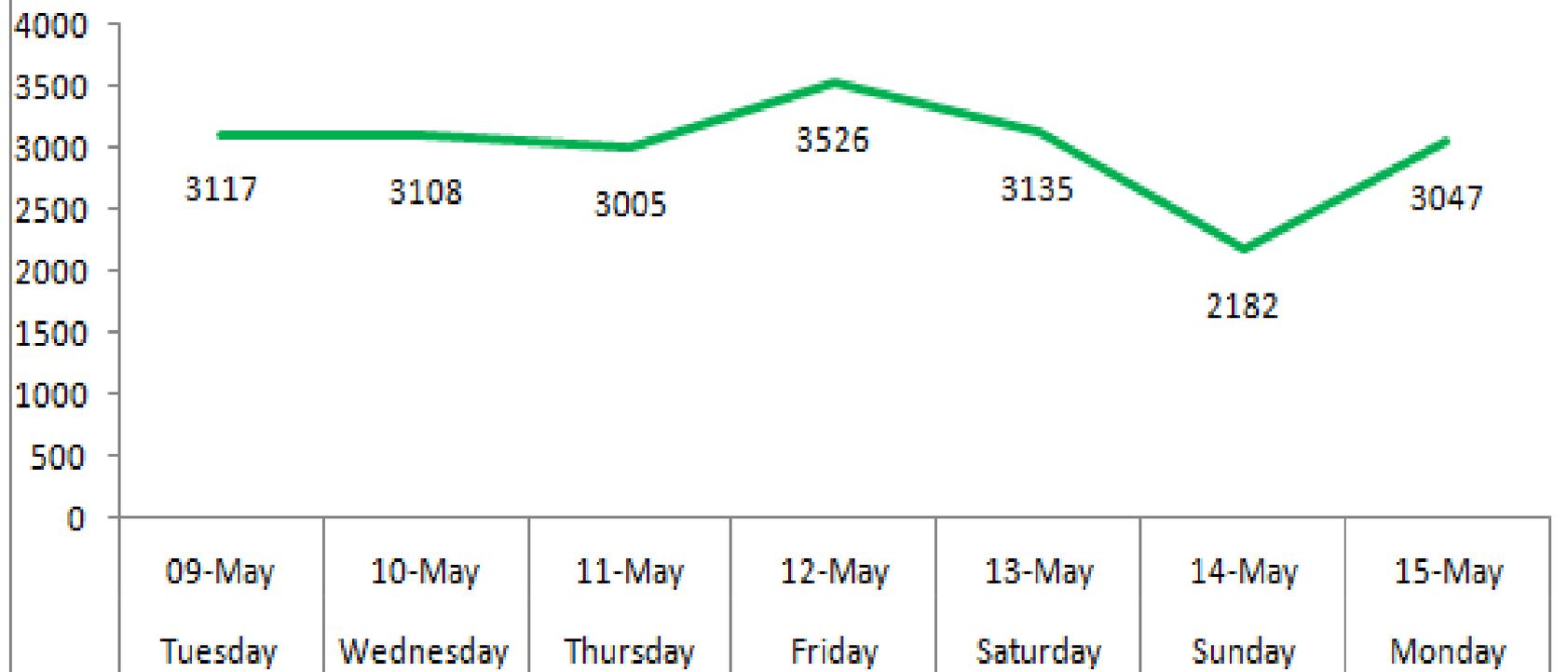




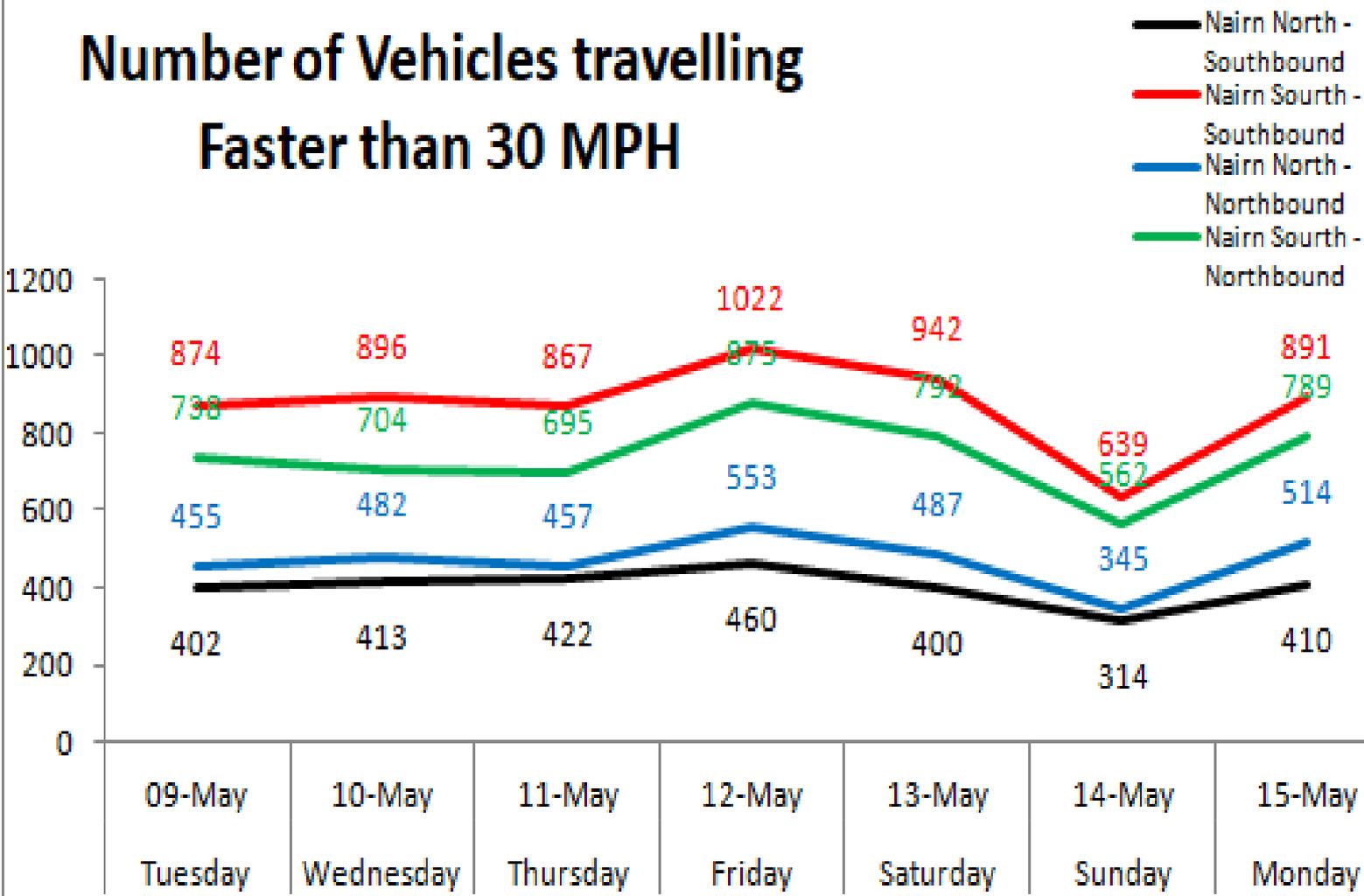
60 MPH?



Number of Vehicles travelling Through The Crossing Daily

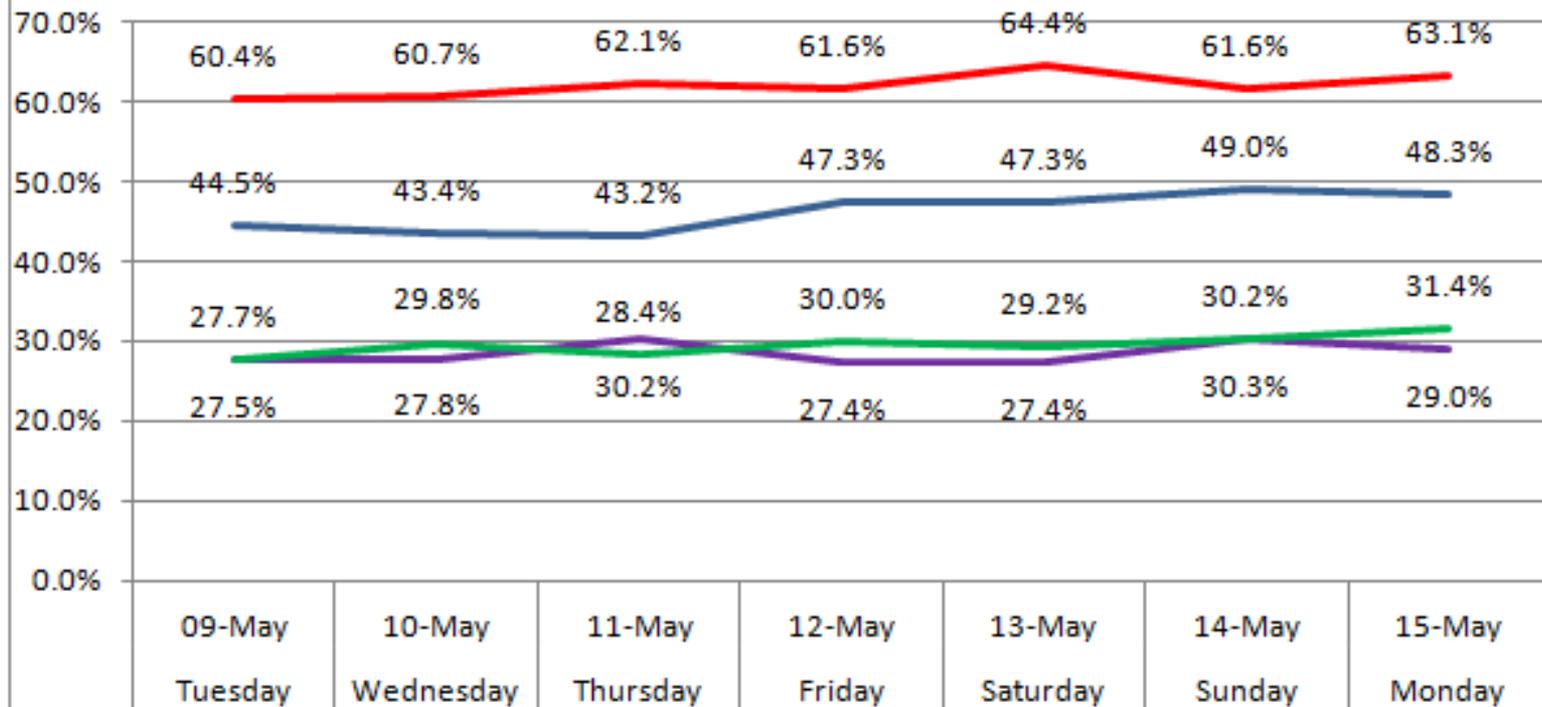


Number of Vehicles travelling Faster than 30 MPH

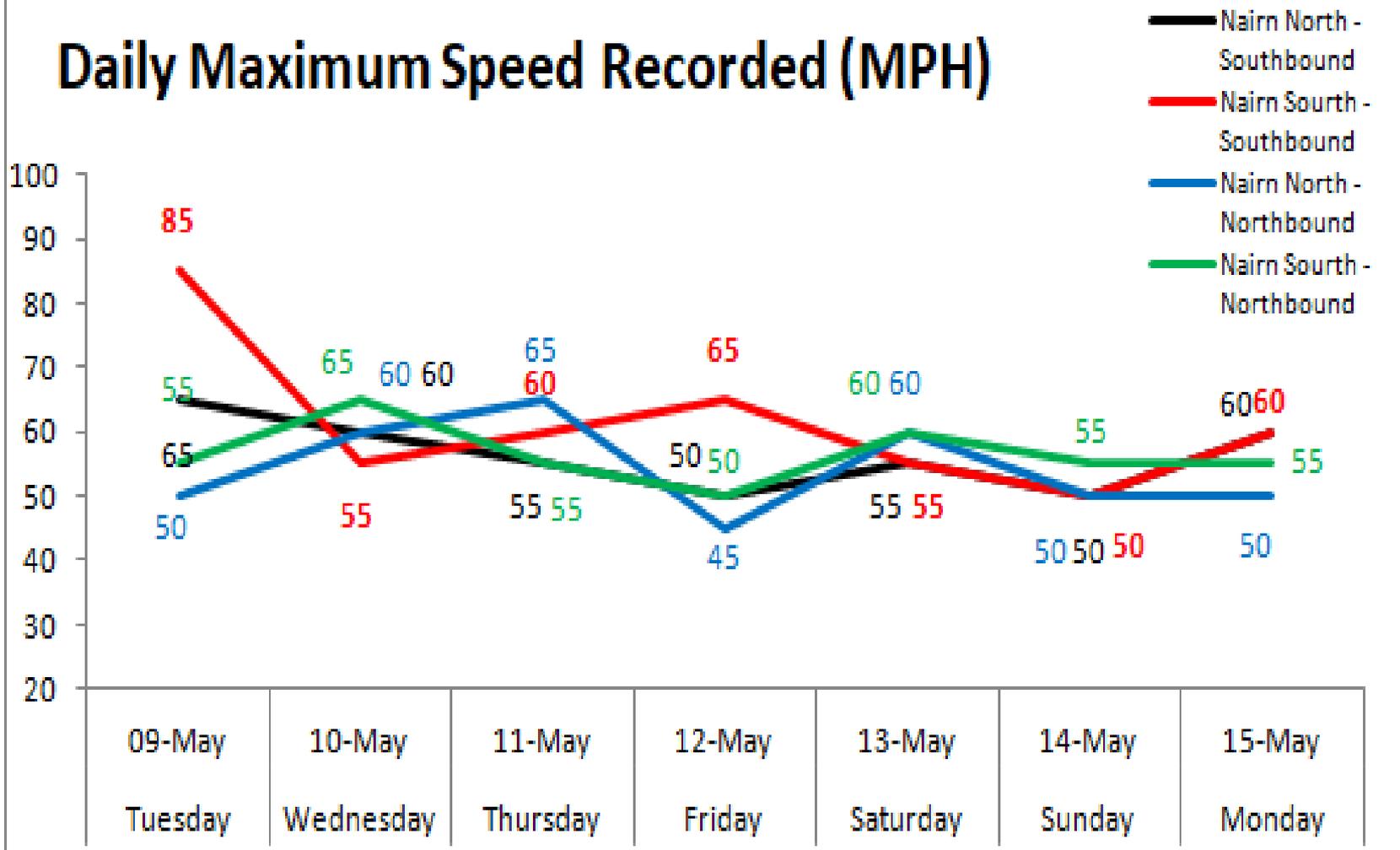


Percentage of Vehicles travelling faster than 30MPH

- Nairn North - Southbound
- Nairn South - Southbound
- Nairn North - Northbound
- Nairn South - Northbound



Daily Maximum Speed Recorded (MPH)



Dataset

		Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Total	
Approaching Crossing From North South Bound	Naim North - Southbound	09-May 402	10-May 413	11-May 422	12-May 460	13-May 400	14-May 314	15-May 410	2821	>30MPH
	Naim North - Southbound	1460	1484	1398	1676	1462	1036	1414	9930	All Speeds
	Naim North - Southbound	27.5%	27.8%	30.2%	27.4%	27.4%	30.3%	29.0%	28.4%	
	Max Speed	65	60	55	50	55	50	60		
Leaving Crossing From North South Bound	Naim Sourth - Southbound	09-May 874	10-May 896	11-May 867	12-May 1022	13-May 942	14-May 639	15-May 891	6131	>30MPH
	Naim Sourth - Southbound	1447	1475	1396	1660	1463	1038	1412	9891	All Speeds
	Naim Sourth - Southbound	60.4%	60.7%	62.1%	61.6%	64.4%	61.6%	63.1%	62.0%	
	Max Speed	85	55	60	65	55	50	60		
Approaching Crossing From South North Bound	Naim Sourth - Northbound	09-May 738	10-May 704	11-May 695	12-May 875	13-May 792	14-May 562	15-May 789	5155	>30MPH
	Naim Sourth - Northbound	1657	1623	1607	1850	1673	1146	1632	11188	All Speeds
	Naim Sourth - Northbound	44.5%	43.4%	43.2%	47.3%	47.3%	49.0%	48.3%	46.1%	
	Max Speed	55	65	55	50	60	55	55		
Leaving Crossing From South North Bound	Naim North - Northbound	09-May 455	10-May 482	11-May 457	12-May 553	13-May 487	14-May 345	15-May 514	3293	>30MPH
	Naim North - Northbound	1642	1619	1608	1841	1668	1141	1635	11154	All Speeds
	Naim North - Northbound	27.7%	29.8%	28.4%	30.0%	29.2%	30.2%	31.4%	29.5%	
	Max Speed	50	60	65	45	60	50	50		

Conclusion #1

The Traffic calming measures
at this point have

FAILED

To Slow the Traffic

Comparison between these two Surveys

	Auldearn B9101	Grantown Road A939
Precedence Signs	✓	✗
Rumble Strips	✓	✗
Pavement both sides	✗	✓
SAFE Route to School	✗	✓
Road Crossing	✗	✓
Restricted vision	✗	✓
North Bound Total / Avg Daily	899 / 128	11118 / 1588
South Bound Total / Avg Daily	761 / 109	9932 / 1419
Max Speed NB	51	65
Max Speed SB	46	85
Max Speed	51	85
Pedestrians	None Recorded	187
Adult	None Recorded	158
Accompanied Child	None Recorded	16
UN-Accompanied Child	None Recorded	4

Nairn – 7-day Speed Survey – Grantown Road at build out – A939

- South Site – Southbound Speeds – Mean – 31.4
- South Site – Northbound Speeds – Mean – 29.2
- North Site – Southbound speeds – Mean – 27.1
- North Site – Northbound speeds – Mean – 28.1

Highland Council Report and Conclusion

Vehicle movements on 11th May (one day's movements)–

COMBINED FLOW - 0700-1900								
	Car	LGV	BUS	OGV1	OGV2	P/C	M/C	Totals
	2028	409	3	124	85	6	9	2664

Survey shows 3005 vehicles on 11th May
341 outside core hours

OGV1 – van or truck with two rear wheels on each side,
OGV2 - vehicles with four or more axles and all articulated vehicles.

TOTAL CROSSING - COMBINED - WHOLE PERIOD - 0700-1900				
ADULT	ACCOMPANIED	UN-ACCOMPANIED	ELDERLY /	Totals
	CHILD	CHILD	DISABLED	
158	16	4	9	187

Conclusion –

Whilst within the 30mph speed limit area the build out appears to ensure traffic approaches the crossing from both directions within tolerances for such a limit.

The number of persons using the crossing point does not equate to a requirement to undertake further investigation work at this point or for a formal crossing point.

Milton Primary School Kildary Invergordon



Milton Primary School - Nice straight road up to the School



What plans do THC have for this area?



The Highland
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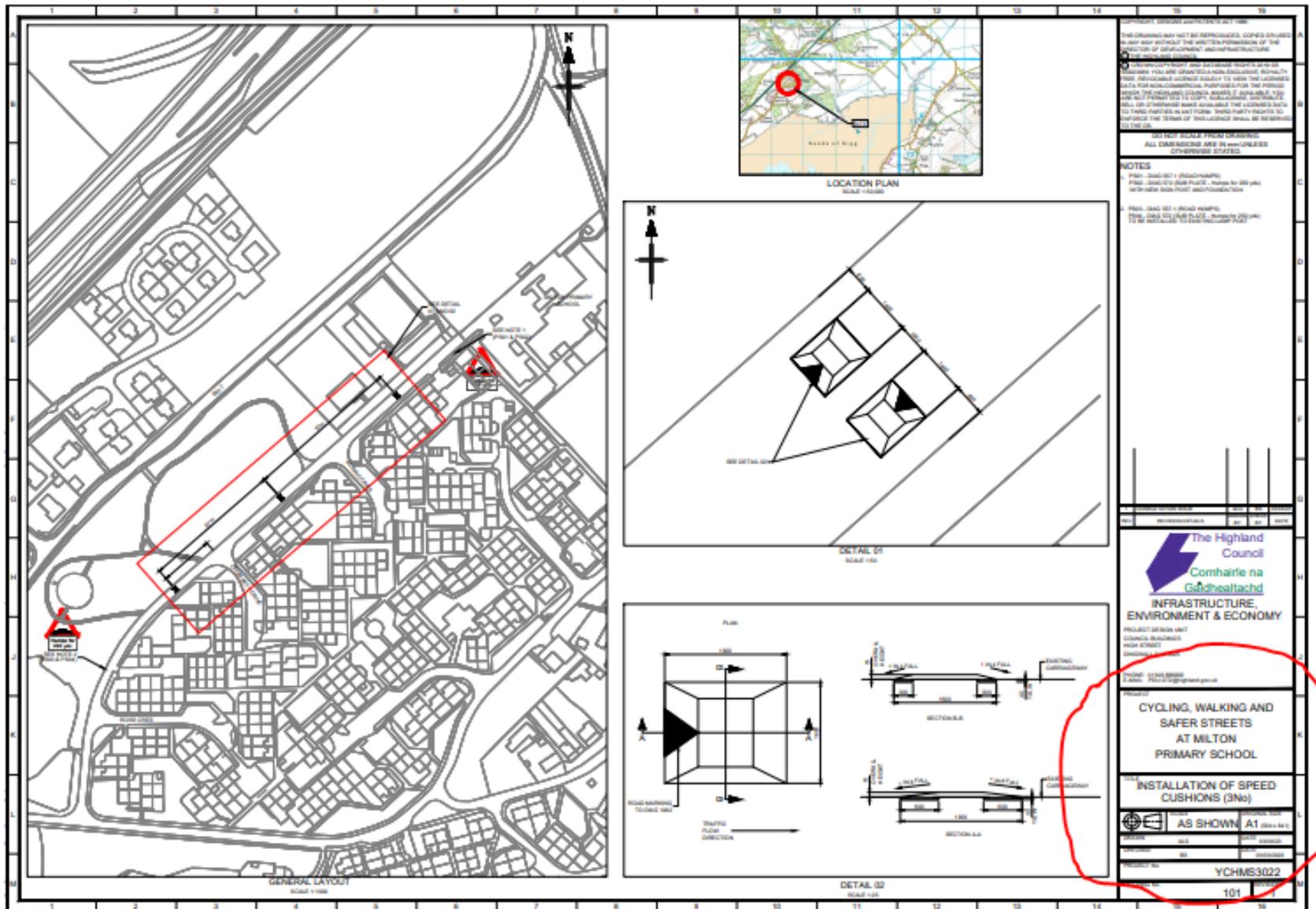
**CYCLING, WALKING AND
SAFER STREETS
AT MILTON
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

TITLE

**INSTALLATION OF SPEED
CUSHIONS (3No)**

DATE: 2024/01/11

PROJECT NO: 2024/01/11



THC are proposing to install three
'traffic cushions'

on this straight road leading up to the School.

Brilliant idea and we wish Milton School well.

There is a pavement on only one side of the road, so no real reason to cross the road on the walk to School.

Conclusion #2

Highland Council believes it is perfectly acceptable to travel through a SAFE ROUTE TO SCHOOL crossing at 65 miles per hour or even at 85 miles per hour in NAIRN.

That is NOT acceptable.

Their report on their survey is one of the worst reports and conclusions that I have ever read and I believe it is designed to disguise the true danger at this crossing.

The Highland Council conclusion states that there is not enough pedestrian traffic "for a formal crossing point".

A "formal crossing point" has never been requested,.

The Highland Council has not yet asked what is being requested .

They have assumed.

To include figures that are as a result of traffic queuing to transit the crossing and then barely manage to drop the average below the 30mph speed limit and declare these tolerances are acceptable is just **pure negligence.**

This whole scenario was kicked off a few years ago with a request for a 'Smiley Face.

That was all. A Smiley Face.

Now as a result of these two surveys and the other proposed installations, for example at Milton School near Invergordon and at Auldearn, we believe that the A939 School crossing requires proper TRAFFIC CALMING measures put in place, and, for that matter, so does the access to Millbank School on Mill Road at the railway bridge, that the Council are putting in elsewhere.

NRCC believes that the A939 crossing IS dangerous and deserves measures that have been put in place in other areas be installed to protect our Children, our Elderly and All our People.

Highland Council Officers have said, though I doubt if they would admit it, that nothing will happen to improve the Safety at this crossing A939 until someone is killed or badly injured.

It is TIME THC provided Nairn with some respect and gave Nairn what has been asked for...

PROPER TRAFFIC CALMING

just like those they PROPOSE for OTHER areas – Happy to Discuss.



End

Thank You