20’s Plenty For Us now reaches ¾ million residents.

20’s Plenty For Us now has ¾ million residents in Portsmouth, Oxford, Norwich and now Leicester who have opted for 20 mph as the default limit for residential streets.

From being the backward nation in Europe regarding the safety of pedestrians and cyclists, Britain is fast adopting the policy of setting 20 mph as the default speed limit where people live.

This follows established practice in so many European towns which are twice as safe to walk or cycle in than in Britain.

The proposals usually allow arterial roads to remain at 30 mph but set most of the roads which children play in, walk to school along and live in to a maximum speed of 20 mph. In truth it adds just seconds to a motor vehicle journey times yet lowers accident rates, pollution, noise and stress where people live.

The 20’s Plenty For Us campaigning organisation was only started a year ago, but now has supporting 20 mph campaigns throughout the country. 20’s Plenty For Us campaigners in London, Oxford, Richmond upon Thames, Northampton, Bath, Birstall, Brighton, Wolverhampton, Bristol, Manchester, York, Belfast, Warrington, Sheffield, Cambridge and Southwell are all liaising with local politicians and their traffic authorities to deliver a better quality of life for residents through lowering speeds in residential roads.

Rod King, Founder of 20’s Plenty For Us said: -

“Lower speeds only have a marginal effect on journey times, yet create a quieter street with less pollution and far greater safety for vulnerable road users. At 20 mph our streets become community public spaces where all road users can benefit from equitably interacting and sharing the road. Most people support 20 mph for residential streets and we now need local authorities to respond to that demand and changing culture to provide a safe environment for their children and adults to walk and cycle as well as drive.

Sanity is at last breaking out in Britain regarding the way we use our residential streets. ¾ million people now have sensible speed management policies in their local authority and this is rapidly spreading.”

For more information about 20’s Plenty For Us, including information on the “Streets Ahead” conference exploring how we can create safer streets for walking and cycling see www.20splentyforus.org.uk.

Local Authorities now committed to 20 mph for residential streets with populations:-

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20’s Plenty For Us campaigns for a 20mph default speed limits in residential streets without physical calming.

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