Dear Alison, Stuart, Hayley & Councillors,

The Cunderdin Creative Community Town Team, would like to propose a speed limit change on Baxter Road from the Great Eastern Highway to past the last residence, essentially the railway line.

As you well know this is a 60km zone while all other residential streets with in the town boundary are 50kmh.

At a recent Town Team conference in Northam we had the opportunity to address this concern with the Director of congestion and Movement Strategy, Mr Craig Wooldridge of the Main Roads. This was an open forum where attendees could ask questions regarding traffic hazards and concerns with in your towns and shires.

The response was very positive and we received a lot of comment from other attendants voicing their support, all of them familiar with the section of road in question.

The advise from Main Roads was to liaise with our local shire as to this request.

Our aim is to reduce the speed limit to at least 50kmh, and possibly a further reduction from the Main Street intersection to past the Sports Ground entrance to 40kmh.

Our reasoning behind this strategy is that the foot traffic (16 employees) occurring between McIntosh's multiple workshops (they being either side of Baxter Road) is quite frequent and ongoing.

To slow traffic down through this busy section with signage and street murals ensures pedestrian safety.

We received full support after speaking with the manager from McIntosh's Russell Baxter who will follow this matter up with a letter of support.

Another reason for slowing the traffic is the confusing intersection that includes Lundy Avenue, Baxter Road and the Sports Ground entrance. There is no signage or marked lines on the road to direct traffic or indicate who is giving way. There is a lot of patrons that walk to the Sport Ground and Club and a reduction in speed limit would enhance their safety.

Another business being Mortlock Timber has a lot of employees that either walk to work or drive and park on the opposite side of Baxter Road to their workplace. They also load and unload freight on the verge of Baxter road, this involves at times forklifts crossing the road.

Looking forward to your response in this matter.

Kind Regards
Perry Jasper
Cunderdin Creative Community Town Team