The 6Cs Design Guide

Appendix L: Our definition of a street

Manual for Streets 1 and 2 introduced the concept of a street and the different characteristics and design approach that applied for this type of road. Our definition of a street is a road that:

- has a speed limit of 40 mph or less and with measured 85th percentile speed of traffic generally below 40 mph;
- is mainly built up on both sides with residential or a mix of residential and local facilities, shops and so on;
- has a high place function eg direct frontage access, on street parking etc

In addition the proposed characteristics for a new junction should not be out of character with the rest of the street i.e. the local context should be considered and may have an influence on the final design.