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Dear Resident,

Penyghent Avenue – Traffic Calming Request

As you may be aware, a petition was submitted to the Council last September asking for road humps to be installed along the full length of Penyghent Avenue. This was signed by 110 people, 41 of whom live on Penyghent Avenue. It is assumed that the others who signed the petition probably have children who attend St Aelred's school.

The receipt of the petition was reported to a meeting of the Executive Members for City Strategy and Advisory Panel on 14 January. At this meeting it was decided to defer any decision until all local residents could be informed of the accident and speed data now available, and asked for their views on the possible introduction of more traffic calming along Penyghent Avenue.

The Police records show that there have not been any traffic accidents resulting in people being injured along Penyghent Avenue over the last three years, which is a standard period we look at.

The speed survey, which was carried out near No.42 and covered a full week, showed that average speeds were approximately 21mph, and 85 % of the 5061 readings were below 27mph. Around 4% were above the 30mph speed limit.

A detailed traffic calming scheme has not been designed at this stage, but is likely to require five or six road humps positioned at regular intervals along the street.

It is important to get feedback from as many people as possible on this important local issue, and to make it easy to respond I am enclosing a Freepost reply form. I would be very grateful if you could send this back to me by 11 April. The results will then be referred to the Executive Member for City Strategy for a decision on whether to progress things any further or not.

I shall write again in due course to let you know the outcome and what will happen next.

Yours faithfully,

Mike Durkin
Project Manager (Transport and Safety)