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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 16 March 2021 16:35
To: Julie Muscroft
Cc: Robert Coates
Subject: Traffic Calming, New Laithe Hill, Newsome

Dear Ms Muscroft

Thank you for your letter regarding the Traffic Calming on New Laithe Hill.

I would like to know as a resident who will be affected by a speed cushion, placed outside our property, under which circumstances, the local authority have deemed fit to spend the public purse on such a large project. I am not opposed, if in the interest of public safety, however, I am born and bred in this particular part of Newsome and have lived here for 42 years. I have not once witnessed any car accidents on New Laithe Hill, or pedestrian injuries, due to speeding, rat running, or anti social behaviour, as stated in your notice. Accidents may happen in wintery conditions, as do on any road, and under The Road Traffic Act, that's up to drivers, to drive to the conditions. It is a single lane country road, with bends, so impossible to drive fast anyway as giving way to oncoming traffic. The rat run, as it's been stated in your letter, is far and few between as the road is only really used to access the properties, 350 plus, on the estate, not many routes to gain access.

I do agree that road users are getting more wreckless in general, but if you can just tell me, how many incidents, from a casualty reduction point of view, have occurred on New Laithe Hill, say in the last 5 years, we will be happy for the proposals, but not knowing of any, I feel, the money could be spent better else where, such as on our old and vulnerable at this moment in time, especially due to the Covid Impact.

Many thanks

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