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Dear Carolyn,

Thank you for your letter of 16 September, about roads policing.

Road safety is a priority for the Government and the Department for Transport is working with road safety stakeholders to reduce the number of people killed or seriously injured on our roads. We have some of the safest roads in comparison with other countries, but the Government is not complacent and there is more work to be done.

That is why the Government has launched a two-year review into roads policing and traffic enforcement. The Department for Transport will be looking at this with the Home Office and the National Police Chiefs' Council. We aim to identify ways of increasing capability and capacity across a range of agencies. This review will not only highlight where police forces are doing good work, it will show what more can be done to improve road safety. I am grateful that you will be responding to the Call for Evidence, which forms part of the Roads Policing Review. The responses will help shape the future of enforcement of road traffic law.

Operational decisions including resourcing allocations are matters for Police and Crime Commissioners and Chief Constables.

Once again thank you for taking the time to respond to the Call for Evidence.

Yours sincerely,

**Rt Hon Grant Shapps MP**  
**SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRANSPORT**