

Wiltshire Council

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Response from Cllr John Thomson, Cabinet member for Highways and Transport to representations received from Mr Kenneth Spencer, Atworth Traffic Action Group

The Wiltshire Road Safety Partnership has been operating for many years with the stated aim of reducing the number of people killed or injured on Wiltshire's roads. Details of the Partnership members and the actions taken by each partner are set out in the 14th Joint report on Casualty Reduction in Wiltshire (available on the Wiltshire Website). This annual report has recently been published and outlines the new 2020 Casualty reduction aims for Wiltshire and sets out progress so far.

Wiltshire Council works to reduce road casualties through the recognised streams of Education, Engineering and Enforcement.

The detail of the work undertaken in each of these streams is set out in Appendix A of the Joint report. Much of this work is done pre-emptively to prevent incidents from taking place and jointly between those in the Road Safety Partnership.

The engineering interventions are based on recorded data that prioritises those locations which have the worst collision history. This is evidence driven work that is funded centrally by the authority and is not location dependent. For those areas of concern that do not meet out adopted intervention criteria (three recorded personal injury collisions in the latest three year period) these are able to be raised and dealt with through the Community Area Transport Groups. It is for the CATG's to decide at a local level whether the concerns raised merit further action or intervention.

In effect the activities that Mr Spencer would like to see the council adopt are already being undertaken and I see no need to alter or change this.