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To: All Chairs of Area Boards Wiltshire Council

Cabinet Office Wiltshire Council Bythesea Road County Hall **Trowbridge** Wiltshire **BA14 8JN**

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Dear Chair

I wrote to all Area Board chairs last month, asking whether your towns and parishes would be prepared to contribute towards the retention of Speed Indicator Devices (SIDS).

The deadline for responses was 30 November, but I have considered some which were received after this date.

Although I received some indications of support, they comprised a relatively small percentage of a partial response.

I will therefore be instructing the withdrawal of SIDs as currently funded.

During this exercise, my attention has been drawn to other authorities who operate 'subsidised' schemes ie those which rely on contribution from the local community. For those towns and parishes who have expressed a willingness to provide a degree of local funding support, I am happy to investigate their operation and consider the possibility of an arrangement that has only partial take-up. I will inform you of the outcome in due course.

For the avoidance of doubt however, the current scheme will not continue in its present form.

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Yours sincerely

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