

Annex 3

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Steve

Further to our recent discussion I am pleased to confirm the following.

Within County Durham the only claims which have been received with regard to vertical traffic calming relate to full width road humps. The small number of claims relate to cars with lowered or hardened suspension which are incapable of negotiating the hump due to ground clearance. To date any claim against a traffic calming feature which has been built to DfT standards has been refuted. My own view would be that any vehicle using the highway must be able to negotiate a standard highway feature, such as a hump or cushion, so long as it is approached at a suitable speed.

Hope this is of assistance

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