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Re, your letter dated 26 July 2012.

Sir,

thank you for your letter giving me the background to the proposed traffic calming scheme on Wallington road, which is stated as "in reaction to residents concerns with respect to vehicle speeds and the Potential for Accidents". Stockton Councils former Community Engineer must have been unaware of the fact that during the winter this particular area (between No.s 89 to 95) is on a loop in the road, with the combination of the shadows of the houses and other factors, ice is still prevalent on the road for a couple of days when most other parts have already cleared of ice, surely to position a speed hump at this particular location would increase the potential for accidents.

Your letter also states "to move it at this stage would also require commencing the statutory process again", i appreciate that this would be inconvenient but obviously far better to do this now than create a higher potential for accidents as to have one section of clear road and then to come upon an ice covered section which has a speed hump underneath.

Your letter states: " Approximately 75% of respondents supported the scheme", does this mean that approximately 25% of residents opposed the scheme ?, a not inconsiderable number.

Your letter states: "Generally speaking, the Council receives few complaints with regard to noise/vibration problems for calming schemes" So the Council does receive some complaints regarding noise/vibration from these schemes, what is the usual Council reaction to such complaints ? removal of the humps, compensation, rate reduction or offering soundproofing such as triple glazing?.

I find the general tone of the letter high handed, with a generous helping of "Council Knows Best".

I have attached the form that you sent to me Ref: TS/T/5/3, I wish my objection to be considered by the Council's Appeals and Complaints Committee.

Yours Faithfully

