



## BECKFIELDS AVENUE, INGLEBY BARWICK TRAFFIC CALMING SCHEME

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Dear Sir,

I wish to object to the proposals to implement a traffic calming scheme on Beckfields Avenue.

I wish to object on the following grounds:

1. Failure to consult:- Despite being a resident in an area just off Beckfields Avenue no prior consultation or notice has been provided to affected residents
2. The scheme is being advocated by a minority of residents, based on dubious fears and information about traffic speeds and accidents
3. Recent Government studies have shown that reductions in speed limits, in particular 20mph speed limits have had no beneficial effect on casualties, the report is available from <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/20-mph-speed-limits-on-roads> This includes the following "The evidence available to date shows no significant change in the short term in collisions and casualties, in the majority of the case studies (including the aggregated set of residential case studies)."
4. Much more significantly, the latest DfT speed limit report show that just 2.8% of accidents include a causation factor of a vehicle exceeding a speed limit. In many cases these accidents include other elements of criminality.
5. Budget are tight, SOTBC would be better spending the money on jighway improvements such as pothole filling, to restore road quality and reduce liability for damages, rather than inverted potholes
- 6 Beckfields Ave is constructed to the same standard as the other main feeder roads in Ingleby Barwick, they do not have speed bumps and this should remain the case for Beckfields Ave

Apologies for the brevity, I have had 30 minutes to compose this response before the deadline

Regards

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