

Councillor Lewis and Councillor  
George

**Gofynnwch Am/ Please Ask For: Mr A. Pearce**

**Fy Nghyf/ My Ref:**

**Eich Cyf/ Your Ref:**

**Dyddiad/ Date:**  
07/12/21

Dear Councillors,

**Re: Abercynon Road, Abercynon**

I refer to the petition submitted on behalf of the residents of Abercynon Road concerning the speed of vehicles and requesting the introduction of traffic calming measures.

The Council receives many requests for the introduction of traffic and safety measures from across Rhondda Cynon Taf, and it would neither be appropriate nor affordable to provide traffic calming on all the roads where speed concerns have been raised.

In terms of funding, the Council's Traffic Management programme is funded by Welsh Government grant as well as its own resources. Funding provided from Welsh Government Road Safety Grant must be targeted towards reducing existing casualty figures.

A review of the collision history for the most recent five-year period (the period for which the most up to date data is available) has revealed that this location would not qualify for funding under the grant criteria.

The Council's own resources are directed towards small scale safety and traffic management schemes and would not be appropriate for a large-scale scheme such as would be required for the introduction of a traffic calming scheme.

While the site would not currently be considered for the introduction of a traffic calming scheme the location will be added to a list of sites for the provision of a speed indicator device (SID) which are provided to remind drivers of the speed limit and to influence them to adjust their behaviour.

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SID's are deployed on a temporary basis and moved from site to site. Demand for the deployment of SID's far exceeds the number of units we have available, therefore I cannot give a timescale of when the unit will be put in place.

You should also be aware of the Welsh Government's 20mph initiative to reduce many of the existing 30mph speed limits to 20mph, which is due to be rolled out within the next couple of years. Rhondda Cynon Taff Council has already begun this process at a number of locations across the borough and will continue to do so where practicable and subject to available funding.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the police are responsible for enforcement of speed limits on the highway, the Council has no powers to take enforcement action against those that exceed speed limits.

Therefore, I will bring this location to the attention of the police in order for appropriate action to be considered.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A. Morgan". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

**Y Cyngorydd Andrew Morgan**  
**Arweinydd Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Rhondda Cynon Taf**  
Councillor Andrew Morgan  
Leader of Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council