

From: redacted 11(2)
To: redacted 11(2)
Cc: redacted 11(2)
Subject: FW: A9 Dual Carriageway Drumochter Pass - Signage/ Access/ Service Roads
Date: 25 April 2022 13:30:59

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There was no reports of this incident on Sunday 24/04/22 from either the Police or a member of the public. Trunk roads called this morning about this and stated that the person would like to know about the accident yesterday at Dalwhinnie. I informed TRCC that I had no knowledge of any accident and if the person requires information he should contact the Police. No mention of signage on the road.

I have sent this to you and copied redacted 11(2) in as it has been sent to an MSP also.

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From: redacted 11(2) @ntlworld.com>
Sent: 25 April 2022 12:59
To: Enquiries <Enquiries@bearsotland.co.uk>
Cc: redacted 11(2) @parliament.scot; redacted 11(2) @gov.scot
Subject: A9 Dual Carriageway Drumochter Pass - Signage/ Access/ Service Roads

Dear Sir or Madam,

I was travelling south on the A9 yesterday lunchtime (24/04/2022) and a mile or so from coming on to the dual carriageway after the summit at Dalwhinnie I and a dozen or so of other vehicles were met by a car travelling north on the outside lane of the southbound carriageway. We all had to stop our vehicles across both lanes while the vehicle in front of us performed a U-turn in the adjacent lay-by.

I have no idea how long they had been travelling on the wrong carriageway.

I believe would be prudent to review the current the signage and access/ service roads in place between the two carriageways on this stretch of road to ensure the same does not happen again with more serious consequences!!

I contacted BEAR earlier this morning and was told by them it was a Police matter in the first instance.

I emailed Police Scotland have now had a response back from Police Scotland who have said

"Good Afternoon

Thank you for your email. The road signage in the area would be the responsibility of Highland Council to deal with, and all queries regarding adequate and accurate signage on the road should be directed towards them.

Regards

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Police Scotland/Poileas Alba"

On looking on the Highland Council website to report the issue as directed by the Police, as it is the A9 it would appear to come under the responsibility of BEAR and I therefore couldn't complete the online form with Highland Council.

I'm not going to waste anymore time trying to get an authority to look in to this - everyone seems to be passing the buck. I think it is a fairly serious matter. I have reported my concerns and would hope that a relevant body would look in to this.

Many thanks.

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From: redacted 11(2) [@gmail.com](#)>

Sent: 12 April 2022 20:19

To: redacted 11(2) [@gov.scot](#)>; redacted 11(2) [@gov.scot](#)>

Cc: redacted 11(2) [@highland.gov.uk](#)

Subject: A9 skiach junction, highlands

You urgently need to do something about the A9 Skiach services junction, just north of cromarty firth bridge and south of alness.

YET ANOTHER RTA FATALITY TODAY!!

This is a tragic but all too frequent occurrence.

You must urgently put in some kind of control... reducing the speed limit on this stretch, altering the road to include a roundabout, whatever...I am no road expert.

But you can no longer do nothing.

People die here. And that can include innocent law abiding safe drivers.

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From: redacted 11(2)
To: redacted 11(2); [NW Correspondence](#)
Subject: FW: A9 Slochd
Date: 22 December 2022 12:02:24
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[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[image006.png](#)

From: redacted 11(2) @parliament.scot>

Sent: 22 December 2022 11:58

To: redacted 11(2) bearscotland.co.uk>

Subject: Re: A9 Slochd

Good Morning

I have receive a couple of emails from constituents with suggestions regarding safety issues on the A9 at the Slochd and I ask that serious consideration be given on the following.

The first set of suggestions are:

“Most of the accidents seem to be caused by southbound drivers not being fully aware of the change in speed limit and the change to single carriageway. The road over Slochd is squeezed between rocky outcrops, with no room to take avoiding action.

I would like to make 3 suggestions on how to mitigate these difficulties.

Firstly, the southbound carriageway should be restricted to one lane for the last few hundred yards- from about the level of the Tomatin road end. This would be similar to contraflow sections elsewhere on the road system.

Secondly, flashing warning lights just before Slochd to alert southbound traffic, similar to those at Tore roundabout

Thirdly, a sign to advise motorist that they are entering a 12-15 mile section of single carriageway (till south of Aviemore).

The second enquiry from another concerned individual, is regarding specifically the signage at the Slochd.

He raises his serious concerns regarding the sign being both too small and very dirty – making visibility very difficult and suggests a larger sign showing dual carriageway 2 miles ahead.

I would be very grateful if the above suggestions could be given consideration and acted upon.

I am also copying in redacted 11(2) , Inspector of Highland and Islands Road Policing for his information

I await your reply in this matter.

Kind regards,



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Member of Scottish Parliament for Inverness and Nairn

Office of redacted 11(2) , redacted 11(2)

Telephone: redacted 11(2)



From: enquiries <enquiries@aerialscotland.co.uk>

Sent: 26 June 2022 01:00

To: info@livingstreets.org.uk

Cc: Golspie Community Council <golspiecommunitycouncil@gmail.com>; info@golspiemill.co.uk; mail@northern.pnn.police.uk; Enquiries <Enquiries@bearsotland.co.uk>; [redacted 11\(2\)@highland.gov.uk](mailto:redacted 11(2)@highland.gov.uk)

Subject: Golspie - Road, pavement, pedestrian crossing, Speeding traffic

Hi

I was hoping there was a group like yours. We live in Golspie, have ^{redacted 11(2)}, all go to the local school.

The schools are on the opposite side of the road, the A9 that is a 30mph zone.

The cars go way over this, about 1 l'm 5 cars are going 35mph and above (I've sat and watched the board that announces vehicle speeds, I know it's not calibrated, but it seems accurate).

There is one crossing, further down the village, however it takes a couple of minutes from pushing the button to the lights actually stopping the traffic, so by the time the lights tell the traffic to stop, people have given up, they have done what they did not initially want to do, they wanted to cross the safe way.

The pavement up here for a good 20 Metres or so is so narrow that it is dangerous, moreover there is a lamp post on the actual pavement making part of it worse, further up the pavement goes into extreme narrow territory. Because the pavement is narrow, I foresee a potential injury or death if a lorry has a protruding item, or a motorhome is too close and their wind mirror breaches over to the pavement. The pavement is not maintained, there is a lot of loose debris making the walking surface infirm.

So we have a road that vehicles are going too fast on and nobody is interested in this because nobody cares about pedestrians, including the police and their speed camera division, and the council. The community council are trying to get the speed down to 20mph but this is happening

too slowly.

Even if a 20mph zone is established, will Police Scotland enforce this, because right now nobody is enforcing the 30mph rule.

I know that Highland Council do not care for these problems because in Inverness, at one roundabout where pedestrians cross a pedestrian was killed, there was nothing in place to protect the pedestrian, moreover Highland Council have done nothing to fix the problem, it could easily happen again, crossing, just like here, is just so totally dangerous.

I would love be for someone to come see the situation here, for someone to come actually see the problem, it seems that drivers life's are important, but pedestrians are overlooked, ignored. An example is in the past few weeks I have seen Police camera vans in action on a 2+1 overtaking road further South, on a long stretch near Inverness, and on a dual carriageway near to the Cromarty Bridge, at no point since I have been here, have I seen any speed camera vans in villages North of Inverness, ever, why are they being funded if they are only protecting drivers. Who can take this seriously, who will reply to this email and come to Golspie so that I can show that person/organisation exactly what I am writing about?

Thank you

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Sent from my Galaxy

From:
To: redacted 11(2)
Cc: redacted 11(2)
Subject: FW: Road safety, Ferry Inn.
Date: 24 February 2022 11:02:03

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See below, I think from the description of the perceived issue its about pedestrian proximity to traffic? Are you aware of any concerns of this nature previously?

From: redacted 11(2) @highland.gov.uk>

Sent: 24 February 2022 10:51

To: redacted 11(2) @bearsotland.co.uk>

Subject: Road safety, Ferry Inn.

redacted 11(2), good morning. I've had a request for a safety inspection of the A9 at the Ferry Inn, Scrabster. There are no pedestrian railings, a narrow pavement and all the ferry traffic. There are also the various licensed premises aspects of this.

I'm happy to discuss and would welcome your thoughts,

redacted 11(2),

Independent Councillor for Thurso and NW Caithness.

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From: redacted 11(2) [@transport.gov.scot](mailto:redacted 11(2)@transport.gov.scot)
To: redacted 11(2); redacted 11(2); redacted 11(2)
Subject: FW: Trauma on the A9 - Scottish Trauma Network - redacted 11(2) (NHS Highland)
Date: 12 July 2022 13:43:27
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Good Afternoon

We have received an email from a redacted 11(2) from the Scottish Trauma Network (copied at the bottom of the email chain).

Grateful if you can send a template for our reply please.

Thanks

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From: redacted 11(2) <redacted 11(2) [@gov.scot](mailto:redacted 11(2)@gov.scot)>

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Subject: RE: Trauma on the A9

Hi ^{redacted 11(2)},

Thank you for your response and sorry for the delay in replying to you.

Any reply can be sent by email to redacted 11(2) (Senior programme manager for STN) (redacted 11(2) [@nhs.scot](mailto:redacted 11(2)@nhs.scot)) and redacted 11(2) (National Clinical Lead) (redacted 11(2) [@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:redacted 11(2)@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk)).

We would also appreciate it if you could Cc us into any correspondacne, as we have regular meetings with them, and it may come up.

Please let me know if you need any further information.

Kind regards,

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redacted 11(2), Ph.D. | Policy Manager – Collaborative Services and Technologies for Health Team| National Services and Specialist Healthcare Unit| Healthcare Quality and Improvement Directorate - Currently working from home

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Sent: 07 July 2022 18:25

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Subject: RE: Trauma on the A9

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This will sit across a couple of teams here. Is this to be dealt with as normal correspondence and if so who are we to write back to as the email below is an internal NHS email.

Best Regards

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From: redacted 11(2) <[redacted 11\(2\)@gov.scot](mailto:redacted 11(2)@gov.scot)>
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Subject: FW: Trauma on the A9

Hi redacted 11(2)

I hope this email finds you well.

This morning we received an email from the Scottish Trauma Network (STN), highlighting the increased number of injuries and deaths on the A9.

Part of the STN remit is to flag potential for prevention of major trauma. This issue was raised first to them by the clinical lead for the Pre-hospital Immediate Care & Trauma team. He also made some recommendations for reducing the risk on the A9. His email can be seen below.

I was wondering whether this is best placed with your policy team? If not, could you suggest who I should contact?

STN are also keen to support any further work in relation to this matter, particularly in terms of clinical expertise.

Kind regards,

redacted 11(2)

redacted 11(2), Ph.D. | Policy Manager – Collaborative Services and Technologies for Health Team| National Services and Specialist Healthcare Unit| Healthcare Quality and Improvement Directorate - Currently working from home

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Subject: Trauma on the A9

Hello redacted 11(2) and redacted 11(2),

I was wondering, motivated again by recent deaths on the A9, whether as part of Trauma Prevention there should be more road signs on the A9 flagging changes from dual carriageway to A road with clear signage of the change and "drive on the left" instruction. These should be at every interface between Dual Carriageway and A road. Further in Australia there are deterrents such as signage with the silhouette of a crashed car with an updated number of fatalities due to RTC's on the road. Too dark? Any hoo, Scotland want tourists that drive on the opposite side of the road for the economic benefit, so this problem is unlikely to go away. I will be driving up and down the A9 next week to my son's graduation and later to my sister's art exhibition. I will count the signs and get back to you. I'm sure the signage is inadequate. Hope all is well in the southern counties,

Cheers,

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