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20th December 2022

Dear Richard and Lee,

Thank you for the letter dated 1st December.

As Police and Crime Commissioner, I am listening, and I intend to do all I can to make roads safer in West Mercia.

As you highlight, I am investing more than £900,000 to curb harm on the roads across West Mercia. The funding is to be invested into three measures.

The first element of this is the £400,000 for the latest technology in average speed camera schemes, which you are aware of, to develop and deliver the popular initiative to reduce the life changing impact of speeding.

In addition to this, measures to tackle inappropriate speed and driver behaviour will receive a boost of £150,000. This funding will be used to increase mobile enforcement capability with the purchase of two mobile camera vans, more advanced mobile camera equipment and additional revenue resource to support an increase in enforcement.

The third measure will see £365,800 being allocated to increase West Mercia Police's Road Safety team by 11.5 full-time officers. This will allow officers to work with agencies across West Mercia, aiming to reduce collisions and casualties on the roads through speed enforcement, engineering, road safety education, training courses and awareness raising campaigns.

West Mercia Police is currently undertaking a review of all potential high-risk routes within our force area, taking into account a number of factors. The whole length of the A41 has been included in the review and the outcome of this process is expected to be known in Spring 2023.

Yours sincerely

John Campion

Police and Crime Commissioner

West Mercia