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Dear Ms Dent

Thank you for your recent correspondence regarding County Council attendance at a Parish meeting to discuss road safety concerns in Ramsgreave. County Councillor Stephen Atkinson has asked me to respond on his behalf.

Please be assured that the Council remains fully committed to improving road safety and prioritises resources toward locations with the highest levels of concern. However, our budgets are limited, and we must focus on sites where road-related injury collisions occur most frequently, given the countywide demand for traffic calming, signage, and speed limit measures.

Following a review of Ramsgreave Road, the current safety record does not meet the criteria for specific interventions through our Local Safety Scheme funding programme. We have also sought further information from the police, and the collisions referenced resulted in no injuries to occupants. Additionally, the circumstances of these incidents suggest factors not directly related to speed or road layout. As you will appreciate, there are many rural roads across the county that are subject to national speed limits and many of these do not have the benefit of footway provision. Unfortunately, we do not have the resources to review and implement revised speed limits across the entire rural network.

The traffic calming measures in Mellor and Mellor Brook were largely funded through development at the BAe Samlesbury site several years ago to address safety concerns in the immediate vicinity. At present, there are no similar opportunities to fund measures on peripheral roads.

That said, I will arrange for an officer from our Traffic & Safety Team to contact you directly to agree a suitable date for a meeting. This will allow us to discuss your concerns in more detail and explore any potential alternative improvements or funding opportunities.

Yours sincerely

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Director of Highways and Transport

cc. Ms Kathryn Berzins

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