

Dear Sir/Madam,

I write in response to the article printed in last nights JEP (1/02/2011)

May I enquire why we are reviewing the speed limits again when the States have already carried out a consultation with the General Public in 2009?

Surely the outcomes of this already comprehensive and expensive survey should be enough information for you to base your review on? It was democratically carried out and reflects the views of people who cared enough about the subject to respond to the survey.

I enclose links to the original survey here:

<http://www.gov.je/SiteCollectionDocuments/Government%20and%20administration/R%20SpeedLimitConsultationResponses20091026%20TT.pdf>

<http://www.gov.je/Government/Consultations/Past/Pages/2009.aspx>

I would also like to point out that the statement that "enforcing speed limits to improve road safety" is in fact false. Speed is, for the majority of accidents, a contributing factor for the severity of the accident not the cause.

As you can see from the Daily Mail article here:

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-1061808/Speeding-drivers-cause-3-car-accidents-figures-reveal.html>

I would therefore suggest you look at enforcing a stricter policy on bad driving habits (Red light jumping, too slow a speed for certain conditions causing impatient people to overtake, crossing the white lines at corners, pulling out of junctions without actually looking) rather than a blanket speed campaign which affects good and bad drivers alike.

I look forward to your response,

Kind regards,

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