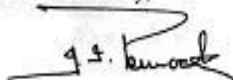


*I have been making representation for this stretch of road to be restricted for several years and have had many conversations with Mr R. Baker of Planning & Transport Services Dept. My concern is due to the increase in traffic volume, and its speed, at 'peak times'; 7.30 to 9.00 & 16.00 to 18.00. This increase is due to the considerable housing developments that have been carried out in Kiveton, Harthill and even Clowne - the road being used as a 'feeder' to the A57 & M1. There has also been an increase in HGV traffic - carrying cars, building products and loads of steel. Also since the original derestriction domestic development has taken place approx. halfway along the stretch in question, along with an increased usage of the Kiveton Hall fishing ponds, resulting in more traffic entering and leaving the road.*

*This .326 mile stretch of road allows totally unrealistic speeds to be built up between Kiveton & Todwick, which are not appreciably reduced when the restricted zone is reached. This is exceedingly dangerous due to the shape of the road through Todwick and the fact that there are eight side junction on to it, each of which is 'blind', or 'semi-blind' in at least one direction. This problem is not alleviated or aided by the fact that the existing 'speed humps' with-in the village have been lengthened and are lower than regulation height (following self-serving representation by certain residents) and are easily negotiated by modern suspension systems on any type of vehicle, at well above the thirty mph limit. Nor are there any restriction 'repeater' signs through the village.*

*Regarding the present speeding problem - An occasional police presence would help. Nobody I have spoken to can remember when a speed camera was last used in the village. I have asked S. Yorks. Police, under the Freedom of Information Act, when a camera was last used and they seem to be having problems finding the information (perhaps their records do not go back far enough). I have also asked Rotherham Borough Council, under the same Act, what the result of the traffic survey carried out earlier this year were and how they compared to the previous one. I have not, as yet received an answer.*

*Sincerely,*



*J I Pennock*

*Cc: Mr R Baker; Planning & Transport Services Dept. Rotherham Borough Council*