

NOTICE OF MOTION	Date of Council Meeting: 09/09/26
	Mover: Cllr Tarmey
	Seconded: Cllr C Carter
	Title of Motion: We deserve our fair share of speeding fine revenue to help make our roads safer

This Council notes:

1. That speeding fines across England generate around £100 million per year, all of which is paid directly to HM Treasury, with no share returned to local authorities.
2. That councils are responsible for maintaining highways, improving road safety, delivering traffic calming schemes, and responding to persistent community concerns about speeding and dangerous driving.
3. That local authorities frequently fund enforcement infrastructure – such as average speed cameras, ANPR enforcement points, signage, and engineering works – yet receive no income from the fines issued as a result of these measures.
4. That communities across the borough consistently call for greater investment in traffic calming, crossings, school street safety, and active travel protection.
5. That the South Yorkshire Safety Camera Partnership brings together law enforcement agencies and local councils across the region. However, Council also notes that there are currently no robust mechanisms for elected members to direct the placement of safety cameras within their wards. This leads to a mismatch between public and elected member perceptions of the need for enforcement activities and the observed locations of mobile cameras.

This Council believes:

1. That a fairer national funding model is required to ensure that money raised from speeding offences is reinvested into the communities where those offences occur.
2. That enabling councils to retain a proportion of speeding fine revenue would create a stable, locally controlled funding stream for road safety improvements.

3. That ring fencing such funding would directly support the Council's objectives to reduce casualties, protect vulnerable road users, and improve public confidence in local road safety.

Therefore, this Council resolves to:

1. Write to HM Government, the Secretary of State for Transport, and the Chancellor of the Exchequer requesting that:
 - a. Local authorities receive 50% of the annual revenue generated from speeding fines issued within their area; and
 - b. This funding be ring fenced exclusively for road safety improvements, including average speed cameras, engineering measures, enforcement support, school safety schemes, and active travel protection.
2. Write to the Deputy Mayor for Policing and Crime for South Yorkshire to request that robust mechanisms are put in place to allow elected members to better direct enforcement action within their wards.
3. Request that the Local Government Association (LGA) and the South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority support this call for reform and lobby Government for a fairer distribution of speeding fine revenue.
4. Investigate the feasibility of procuring mobile pairs of average speed cameras that could be deployed across different streets in Rotherham to encourage behaviour change, improve compliance with speed limits, and increase awareness of the consequences of dangerous driving.

To be completed by Governance

Date received by Governance/Head of DS:	15/7/26
Date sent to Monitoring Officer:	15/7/26
Date approval from Monitoring Officer received:	16/7/26