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Dear

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST
AVERAGE SPEED CAMERAS ON THE A1 AT SOUTHOE**

Thank you for your request for information about average speed cameras on the A1 southbound at Southoe. Your request was received on 22 July and I have dealt with it under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You ask for all statistical data that we have on file that was used to determine that average speed cameras and a reduction in the speed limit was needed on the southbound A1 at Southoe in Cambridgeshire.

Please find attached the following information that was used to determine that a reduction in the speed limit and associated average speed cameras would users of the A1 southbound at Southoe.

- A1 Southoe Safety Cameras Commitment of Works Expenditure Standard Project Appraisal Report (PAR) Worksheet.
- Accident data from 2008-2012.
- Cost Benefit Analysis (COBA) document.
- A1 Southoe to Buckden Safety Cameras – 60mph speed limit Post Value Management (VM) Workshop note – August 2013.

The scheme was funded from the pinch point programme, which forms part of the UK Government's growth initiative, outlined during the Chancellor's Autumn Statement in November 2011. The Agency was initially allocated over £200m for the pinch point programme to deliver focused improvements to the Strategic Road Network, during the period 2012/13 – 2014/15. Following the Autumn Statement 2012 we received an additional £100m to invest in the pinch point programme.

The pinch point programme is designed by us to deliver smaller scale improvements to the strategic road network that will help to stimulate growth in the local economy and relieve congestion and/or improve safety

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way we have handled your request you may ask for an internal review. Our internal review process is available at:

<http://www.highways.gov.uk/foicomplaints>

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

- Information Commissioner's Office
- Wycliffe House
- Water Lane
- Wilmslow
- Cheshire
- SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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