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Dear

Thank you for your request for information of 30 June 2016 requesting information about speed cameras. I have dealt with your request under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I apologise for the delay in responding to your request.

In your email of 30 June you asked the following questions:

For the following financial years 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 to date – can you please tell us:

How many fixed speed cameras are there on motorways and major roads that you manage?

- *How many average speed cameras are there on motorways and major roads that you manage?*
- *How many drivers were caught speeding at all fixed speed camera sites?*
- *How many drivers were caught speeding at all average speed camera sites?*
- *How many fines were issued for speeding at all fixed speed camera sites?*
- *How many fines were issued for speeding at all average speed camera sites?*
- *How much revenue was raised from speeding at all fixed speed camera sites?*
- *How much revenue was raised from speeding at all average speed camera sites?*

Can we please have the locations of the cameras that caught the most drivers for each of the financial years to date 2016-17, the number of drivers caught and the total income from fines?

Can we have the number of active cameras (not just dummy housings) on motorways and major roads that you manage - as at the start (1st April) of each of the following years (2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 and 2016-17).

Cameras play a valuable role in enhancing safety, smoothing traffic flow and reducing congestion for millions of motorists who use our roads. We use cameras for safety and traffic management only when other engineering solutions are not adequate to tackle particular problems on our network.

There are approximately 200 locations where fixed speed cameras are in place and 16 where average speed cameras are in operation on the strategic road network. Every working camera on our network will be painted yellow by October, to ensure maximum

visibility. Existing guidelines already make clear that where cameras are used on the strategic road network signs must be put up to alert drivers.

Unfortunately, I am unable to advise how many there were for each of the years you specified as we only hold information pertaining to the number of cameras currently on our network.

We are in the process of upgrading some of the technology which will mean these numbers could change.

The vast majority of motorists are sticking to the speed limits. There are clear signs where cameras are in place and the new versions are more visible than previous versions.

We do not hold information on enforcement activity; for this, your request should be directed to the relevant police force or safety camera partnership.

In keeping with the spirit and effect of the legislation, all information is assumed to be releasable to the public unless exempt. We may therefore be publishing the information you requested, together with any related information that will provide a key to its wider context, via our website: <http://www.highways.gov.uk/>

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 require a print copy, please phone the Highways Agency Information Line on 0300 123 5000; or e-mail ha_info@highways.gsi.gov.uk . You should contact me if you wish to complain.

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
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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please remember to quote reference number CRS 739,886 in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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