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## ROAD SAFETY

Thank you for your letter of 11 June to the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at the Department of Transport, this has been passed to the Ministry of Justice and I am replying as the minister responsible for sentencing policy. Gloucestershire County Council has asked all Gloucestershire MPs to support Brake's 'Crackdown' campaign.

I apologise for the delay in responding to you.

The government recognises that there are a number of issues relating to driving that are of concern to the public; this is why, in addition to the proposals in the Criminal Justice and Courts Bill, currently before Parliament, we have announced a wider review of driving offences and penalties to ensure that the options available to the courts are proportionate and reflect the seriousness of the offences committed.

The review will be carried out over the coming months by the Ministry of Justice working in conjunction with the Department of Transport. I can assure you that there will be opportunities, as the review progresses, to contribute comments and suggestions on reform of the law.

I enclose a copy of this letter for you to forward to Gloucestershire County Council, should you wish to do so.

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