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Head of Democratic Services
Medway Council
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Dear Sir or Madam,

Firstly my apologies for the lateness of this letter.

I refer to the Traffic Calming, Station Road, Strood petition that was presented at the Council meeting on 10 September 2009 – the directorate's response was dated 25 September.

I have discussed Robin Cooper's letter with my joint lead petitioner and many other local residents who originally signed the petition. We're very unhappy with the council's take on this serious matter – the death of two of our fellow residents. We cannot understand why the council believes that there are other locations in Strood with poorer accidents records. We're not aware of any other recent deaths of pedestrians at uncontrolled crossings.

We ask the council to present to us with the results of any recent traffic surveys. We believe that the uncontrolled crossing, where the dreadful accident happened, is located too near to a blind bend. We also believe the distance from the crossing to the bend is inadequate in distance for a vehicle travelling at 30mph to brake in time. We call on the council to urgently carry highway works to make Station Rd safe for us.

Yours faithfully,

Raymond Boucher

c.c. Caroline Salisbury, Overview and Scrutiny Co-ordinator