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I do rather think that the DfT are dragging their feet on this issue. There is enough information available through the UK Government for the DfT to have reached a conclusion some time ago. Three years plus for a study of a decision already in place in other parts of the UK seems to be more a delaying tactic than a decision making process. Ashton university carried out research which was concluded in 18 months.

I would also like to draw the Committee's attention to the publication "Go Safe on Scotland's Roads it's Everyone's Responsibility: Scotland's Road Safety Framework to 2020". It can be found at <http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2009/10/01090036/9>

This framework was published by the Scottish Government in 2009, seven years ago. It notes that, on rural roads, "some drivers do not realise that the speed limit is often not the most appropriate speed for the road conditions" and in chapter 8.4 highlights speed awareness courses as an alternative to prosecution. Why does it take so long to produce a report on this?