

**PE1600/M**

Lord Advocate submission of 17 July 2018

Thank you for your email of 6 July 2018 in connection with the Committee's consideration of the above petition, seeking an update in relation to my consideration of the feasibility of utilising Speed Awareness Courses as an option for dealing with speeding offences.

As previously advised, I am willing to consider road traffic diversion schemes where these are shown to improve road safety, for example by positively influencing driver attitude and behaviour.

Again as previously advised, I have authorised detailed scoping work to be undertaken by Police Scotland on Speed Awareness Courses. That work continues, informed by the results of the Department for Transport's [Impact Evaluation of the National Speed Awareness Course](#), which was published in May 2018.

Following receipt of the results of the Police Scotland scoping work, I will be in a position to give further consideration to the matter.