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Appendix C (XII)
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Suffolk County Council (B1122 Heiston Road, Aldeburgh
40 mph speed limit and revocation) Order 2007

Dear Heather Miller
I wish to support the above order to reduce the speed limits as advertised.

I have been a regular user of the Aldeburgh to Aldringham B1122 road ever since 1951 - originally by bicycle - then by motor-bike - but mostly driving a car. I occasionally use my bicycle, but mainly my car, to get to my daughter's home in Coldfair Green, Knodishall. I try to take it carefully but (all too frequently) someone overtakes me at an unsuitable point. The road is almost straight, but not particularly wide - it rises and falls (which badly hampers visibility) and has side-turnings and residential entrances scattered all along its length. It suffers badly from dazzle - either from the morning sun (when driving S.S.E.) or from night-time headlights (either way.) There is little room for pedestrians and their dogs except for a few bits of hummocky grass verge. No provision at all for cyclists. It is difficult to see these at night against oncoming traffic as I drive home.

I often sympathise with the drivers trying to access the B1122 along its route. Occasionally I need to call on someone along there, but do not enjoy re-entering the road. Traffic (some of it) comes up too fast.

I am also pleased at the proposed extension of the 30mph limit beyond the Linden Road entrance to the B1122, as it can be quite nerve-racking to turn right from my road to go into Aldeburgh. The visibility (to my right, turning south) is not good, as the road bends slightly - and I suspect that some drivers (knowing that the "forty" starts here) are already accelerating. I have, in fact, lately decided to go into Aldeburgh via Springfield Road, which seems safer. And to turn right from Linden Road ("upslope") on a bicycle into Aldeburgh is definitely frightening. I am trying to keep using my bicycle as much as I can, and have joined the Suffolk Sandlings Safer Cycling campaign, who are very concerned at the dangers we face when on two wheels.

Yours sincerely

Wilfrid George
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