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9th July 2014

Dear Ms James

Janette Sutherland
Date of Birth: 20th February 1965
Date of Death: 24th October 2013

We recently responded to your Regulation 28 Report and your request for the council, as highway authority, to consider potential measures that will serve to alleviate future incidents at the A467.

As previously reported, a full topographic survey has been undertaken in order to accurately model the geometrical parameters of the existing highway along with all perceived hazards (ditch/headwall/rock-face). The results from this survey, along with traffic data obtained for the site, were input into software provided by the Department for Transport in order to satisfy the Road Restraint Risk Assessment Process (RRRAP).

The result of this investigation deemed the headwall as being of significant risk, if struck by an errant vehicle, and that remedial measures should be implemented to reduce this. The ditch and rock-face were also modelled as potential hazards, although both yielded a negative outcome in terms of risk posed. It was therefore recommended that the risk posed by the headwall be reduced either by protecting with a vehicular restraint system or by removing the hazard altogether.

Having considered the cost benefits of the alternative solutions, the decision has been made to demolish the headwall and re-profile the surrounding ditch in order to create an angled/'soft' landscape to the end of the channel/pipe (please find existing and 'mock-up' photos attached to illustrate this). I confirm these works are programmed for commencement in July.

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I trust this meets with your requirements but please feel free to contact me should you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely

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