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20th April 2015

C W M Donnelly
Senior Coroner for Hartlepool
The Coroners Service
Town Hall
Albert Road
Middlesbrough
TS1 2QJ

Dear Mr Donnelly

INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF THE LATE KERI VICTORIA HOLDSWORTH

Thank you for your letter dated the 17th April, 2015. My apologies if there has been any misunderstanding.

The position is that this stretch of road network falls under the jurisdiction of Highways England (formerly known as The Highways Agency).

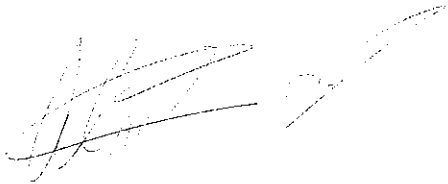
All responsibility for speed restrictions, layout design and potential scheme improvements lies with them and not with ourselves at Hartlepool Borough Council.

We are however in dialogue with Highways England and will assist in any associated external, third party issues that may arise through design briefs etc that are required.

I contacted Highways England (Highways Agency) upon receipt of your last 11th correspondence and asked them as lead body to respond on behalf of both ourselves and the Highways Agency, explaining the position in respect of potential studies being carried out to improve the safety of the network. All funding responsibility for improvements to the A19 network lie with Highways England and therefore deems them to be the project sponsor and instigator of any improvement scheme(s).

I hope this clarifies the position, and if I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me on [REDACTED] or alternatively e-mail at [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D. J. [REDACTED]', written over a redacted area.

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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (NEIGHBOURHOODS)