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Dear Mr Davies

**Re: Regulation 28 Prevention of Future Deaths**

**Re: Samuel George Vass (deceased)**

Thank you for your letter of 10<sup>th</sup> October 2025, and accompanying Regulation 28 Report, following the recent inquest into the death of Mr Samuel George Vass on the A3083 near RNAS Cudrose, Helston.

In response to the fatal collision in 2022 and subsequent analysis of speed data, in May 2023 Cornwall Council submitted a request for targeted enforcement along the A3083 from Devon & Cornwall Police, who remain responsible for speed limit enforcement. The section of road relevant to this request runs from Helston Community Hospital to the junction with the B3293. However, due to limited safe operating sites and recent perimeter fence works undertaken at RNAS Cudrose, regular mobile enforcement has not been feasible.

Following this request, Cornwall Council commissioned its contractor to design and deliver highway improvements on the A3083, coordinated with the forward maintenance programme that included resurfacing works. The scheme, completed in August 2024, comprised amendments and an extension to the double white line system, incorporating a new hatched area, together with the reinstatement of (Keep Left) deflection arrows. These measures were introduced to prevent overtaking and enhance separation between opposing carriageway lanes on approach to, and through, the bend at the Helston end. Post-implementation monitoring recorded a reduction of 2.4mph in average speeds and a 1mph reduction in 85th percentile speeds in both directions, indicating a positive outcome.

Building on these improvements, and following the fatal collision involving Samuel George Vass, Cornwall Council has commissioned its contractor to develop further proposals to enhance safety on the A3083. Current proposals include:

- Reduction of the speed limit from the current 60mph National Speed Limit to 50mph, covering the full length of the A3083 around RNAS Cudrose.
- Installation of an average speed camera system.

We continue to work closely with the Vision Zero South West (VZSW) Partnership, Devon and Cornwall Police, Jenoptik (Camera Supplier) and RNAS Cudrose, and have secured match funding from VZSW to support delivery of this scheme.

Preliminary design is nearing completion, and we are awaiting early feedback from RNAS Cudrose before proceeding to public consultation. Delivery will be subject to successful consultation and completion of detailed design, including Road Safety Audits.

All being well, we anticipate the scheme to be delivered in summer 2026.

We remain committed to improving safety on this route and will keep you informed as the project progresses. Please don't hesitate to contact me should you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

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