



The Association of British Drivers

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The ABD Launches Campaign Against More Speed Humps in Ealing

The Association of British Drivers (ABD) has launched a campaign to stop more speed humps being installed in Park View Road, Corfton Road, West Road, Mount Park Road, Mount Avenue, Montpelier Road and Helena Road in Ealing. Some 33 humps are being proposed as part of a wide area traffic calming scheme by the London Borough of Ealing which is about to go to public consultation. However local ABD members have already started circulating a leaflet in the streets likely to be affected which urges residents to oppose these plans.

We say this scheme is typical of the outdated approach to road safety in Ealing. Other London boroughs such as Barnet and Bromley have ceased installing speed humps without any detrimental effect on road accident figures. In fact by using alternative measures they have better road casualty reduction statistics than those boroughs such as Ealing who have persisted with such measures.

The ABD suggests that speed humps cause pain and suffering to many people with existing medical conditions, and can delay emergency service vehicles. They also cause more atmospheric pollution, more road noise, damage vehicles and increase the cost of road maintenance.

We call upon all residents to oppose these plans and ask for something better.

About The Association of British Drivers (ABD)

The ABD is the leading independent organisation which represents the interests of private motorists in the United Kingdom. We campaign to protect the rights of individual road users and believe that road transport is a beneficial and essential element in the UK transport infrastructure. We oppose excessive taxation of motorists and are against tolls and road usage charging. We also campaign for more enlightened road safety policies. The Association is a "not for profit" voluntary organisation which is financially supported primarily by its individual members. More information on the ABD is available from our web site at www.abd.org.uk

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Our full arguments against speed humps in this scheme are present in the attached document which we will be sending to residents who respond to our leaflet. A copy of the latter is also attached.

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