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Rethinking Speed Cameras: 18 July 2005

- IHIE welcomes the news (Times 15/07/05) that DfT is reviewing the rules for deploying cameras.

Cameras are too often the weapon of first resort when engineering or education interventions may be more effective and acceptable.

“The greatest contribution to safety will be made by designing “self explaining” highways where the layout and the environment encourage driving at the post speed”, said Gerry Harvey, IHIE President.

- The NOP driver survey (Times 18/07/05) also confirms the Institute’s view that revenue from cameras should be available for reinvesting on a wider range of safety and enforcement measures – including more traffic police. The survey also revealed that drivers feel the need for more speed limit signs and repeaters. Drivers should be in no doubt about the speed limit on the road they are travelling.

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- IHIE’s policy on safety cameras (August 2004) backs the public views.