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Arbuthnott,
Laurencekirk,
AB30 1LS.

Ms Sheona Warnock,
Invercrynoch House,
Maryculter,
Aberdeen,
AB12 5GX.

25th April, 2007.

Dear Ms Warnock,

I refer to your letter on behalf of Road Sense, dated 20th inst. and received on 25th inst. I note what you say concerning the AWPR and note also that you are canvassing from, inter alios, Local Council candidates the "policy" that they "will adopt towards it".

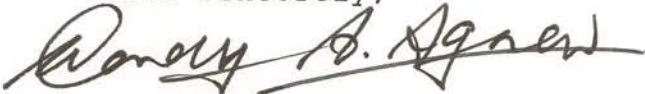
As I understand matters, if I take a position, publicly state a position, or have a position otherwise appear in the public domain, on any matter likely to come before any Committee, on which I sit, for discussion and determination, prior to the Committee sitting, I would require to 'declare an interest' and take no part in debate or decision on said matter (Code of Conduct for Councillors); thus effectively disqualifying myself from properly representing the views and interests of my Ward, which views and interests are important material considerations in any decision reached.

I believe I am aware of the views of Road Sense and if any decision requires to be taken, concerning the AWPR, by any Committee on which I sit (if re-elected) I would of course take account of, and give due consideration to, the views of inter alios, Road Sense members.

I believe also, if any decision yet to be taken, concerning the AWPR, is outwith my power/authority, as a Councillor, to influence, it would be wrong and misleading for me to 'canvass' votes in such a circumstance on said matter(s).

This letter represents my understanding of proper response, in the circumstances, as a sitting Councillor and as a Candidate for re-election, and is written entirely without prejudice to the rights and privileges of any other person or persons.

Yours sincerely,



Councillor Wendy Agnew
Stonehaven South Ward.
(Candidate for Stonehaven and Lower Deeside Ward)

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