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Dear Sir Edward

Thank you for your letter of 18 September to Graham Dalton, regarding complaints from your constituents about diverted traffic from the A14 through Market Harborough. I am replying in Mr Dalton's absence from the office.

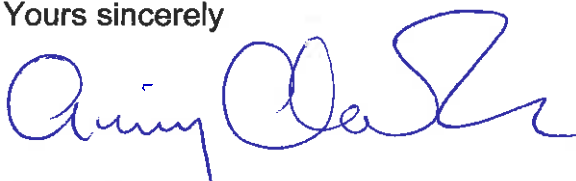
There were resurfacing works in early September, on the M1 at junction 19 and Market Harborough was part of the diversion route. It is unfortunate that undertaking road works often means some disruption to residents and we do try to keep this to a minimum. Night time working is used as this is the time when traffic levels are reduced.

In the case of the diversion routes for the A14, the diversion route that takes traffic through Market Harborough was agreed with the relevant County Councils and Emergency Services as the best option. In coming to decisions about diversion routes we do take into account the impact of traffic on the local roads. I sympathise with the residents of Market Harborough over this situation and the Agency seeks to ensure that works are completed as quickly and efficiently as possible, with minimum disruption to all concerned.

As part of the works we did notify all media outlets of the planned works and further information was available on the Highways Agency website.

If you require any further information regarding these and future works the Agency's Asset Manager for this part of the network Jonathan Price, would be happy to discuss this matter. He can be contacted by writing to him at; The Cube, 199 Wharfside Street, Birmingham, B1 1RN or by telephone on; 0121 687 2514 or by email; jonathan.price@highways.gsi.gov.uk

Yours sincerely



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