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RAC reacts to new data on road casualties involving alcohol: "the need to find solutions is as pressing as ever"

RAC chief engineer David Bizley said: "While it is encouraging that the numbers of people killed or seriously injured as a result of accidents involving young drink drivers has fallen since 2002, the sad and all-too-familiar fact is that younger drivers still account for a disproportionate number of all drink-drive casualties.

"A harmonised drink-drive limit across the whole UK would help make the law clearer for all motorists, and is something motorists want to see, but

what these figures highlight is the need for a concerted, focused effort on encouraging and incentivising younger motorists to recognise the dangers of driving under the influence. The coalition Government shelved plans for a green paper on reducing risks to young drivers, but the need to find solutions is as pressing as ever.

“Education, new technologies such as telematics and graduated licensing potentially all have roles to play. Government, and indeed all of those who share an interest in reducing casualties on our roads, need to use all means at their disposal to address the problem now.”

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