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RAC welcomes Transport Committee's report on road traffic law enforcement

RAC head of external affairs Pete Williams said: "The RAC welcomes the findings of the Transport Select Committee's report. The sharp decline in roads policing officers – something the RAC highlighted over a year ago – appears to be having the very unwelcome effect of leading to fewer people being caught for illegal activity. It stands to reason that if a law exists, it needs to be enforced effectively.

"While the priorities for policing are a matter for each individual force, evidence suggests there is a large proportion of the public that want to see more police catching offenders on our roads. 60% of those we spoke to for the RAC Report on Motoring said that they believed there were insufficient police, leading to more motorists getting away with putting themselves and other road users at serious risk.

"The report makes some very positive recommendations, most notably; calling on the Government to support local police forces in maintaining the number specialist police officers; urging the Government to assess the experiences of Scotland, which lowered its legal blood alcohol limit in 2014. We believe the Government should follow the Committee's advice on these key areas and implement the recommendations as soon as possible."

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