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Dear Mr. Boddy, Councillor Shaw etc.,

**Traffic Calming Measures Mount Pleasant Road  
& the Petition**

My wife, Dr. Dorothy Judd, and I have lived in Mount Pleasant Road since 1971. We shall, unfortunately, be on holiday in France on 23 July and therefore are unable personally to attend the meeting to discuss the introduction of effective Traffic Calming.

However, we want to emphasise how strongly we support the Council's proposals to put full and effective Traffic Calming controls in Mount Pleasant Road.

In our 37 years in the road, we have been appalled at the marked deterioration in the driving sense of many who use the road; speeds of 70 mph are quite common. It is only a matter of time before a child or an elderly person is killed here, on our road.

We are very surprised, on the following grounds, that a petition has been organised aimed at minimising Traffic Calming here:

1. There was a properly organised democratic and open vote on introducing Traffic Calming. This resulted in 61% voting in favour of Traffic Calming.
2. Now a petition opposes this result. It is like the party who has lost a General Election saying, 'Oh, sorry, we do not like the result; can we now change it?'
3. We know for a fact, that a number of people signed the original petition without fully realising its significance and (in one case - quote) 'because I was busy and wanted to get rid of the petitioner as soon as I could.'



4. Why are we even considering amendments that would put people's lives more at risk?
5. Families with young children, and those who are becoming elderly and less confident about dodging reckless drivers, are especially concerned that we should have Traffic Calming.
6. What logical and common sense case is there for not having controls which nearly every nearby street now has? Do we actually want Mount Pleasant Road to become even more dangerous and unpleasant to use?
7. Traffic Calming would enhance the value of all our houses.

We strongly urge the Committee to introduce as effective and full a system of traffic calming as possible as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

Prof. Denis and Dr. Dorothy Judd