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"We have been disenfranchised by the dominance of the motor car and the failure of the Local Highway Authorities to recognise the importance of country lanes as recreational space for non-motorised users." - *MaudieMo*

"Statutory Duties are things like paying your vehicle licence, community charge etc. We would soon be in the Clink if we didn't cough up. So should it be any different for Local Authorities, who have STATUTORY DUTIES to maintain rights of way?"



"At the same time as they fail to do this they refuse to lower the speed limit on the rural lanes which is set at 60mph. This is not a safe speed to even attempt to drive at on this kind of road environment and does not signify to vehicle drivers to watch out for non-motorised users.

Neither does it support the THINK CAMPAIGN which says that speed limits are there for our safety and denote the speed at which it is safe to travel. In fact it makes a nonsense of all speed limits which are on roads three times the width.



"The Urban environment is well endowed with 20mph, and other speed restricting devices, so why don't country people count enough to warrant the same protection? These single track carriageway rural roads used to be our 'open spaces' now we have been disenfranchised by the dominance of the motor car and the failure of the Local Highway Authorities to recognise the importance of country lanes as recreational space for non-motorised users. Instead they spend a fortune creating cycle tracks on our bridleways!!"

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