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24 February 2025

Dear [REDACTED],

**Freedom of Information request: FOI2025/00115**

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 30 January in which you requested the following:

**Your request:**

*I would like to make a freedom of information request for data you hold on speed down Avon Road. I am aware you sometimes record drivers speed and I would like to know how many occasions this has been done, over what time frame (recording for 1 hour etc), dates when speed was recorded and number of drivers recorded speeding.*

**Our response:**

I can confirm that UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) holds some information relevant to your request. Please see the information below and attached, however, it should also be noted that STFC is not the landowner of Avon Road, but has the right of access agreed with the landlord.

The attached spreadsheet "FOI2025\_00115 - Avon Road Speed Survey Data" records the data gathered from deploying an unmanned static speed detection unit placed at the gate located on Avon Road (see Annex 1 for map indicating precise location).

Although this unit was in use prior to 2024, STFC only began recording data from 7 January 2024, with the intention to provide evidence of driving habits to Thames Valley Police.

The spreadsheet notes each date on which the unit was deployed and how many vehicles were recorded within the speed categories of 25-29 mph, 30-34 mph and 35-45 mph. The data capture period is the duration that the batteries in the unit last, which is typically around 8 hours. Information is not held on what time the unit was deployed and when it stopped recording, or on the registration of vehicles.

STFC security deploy this unit to act as a deterrent to speeding on Avon Road, on the approach to and from the gate leading to the designated Moderna SISK contractor parking area but have no jurisdiction on public or private campus roads, such as Avon Road.

STFC can take action against our contractors and staff if they act unsafely on our estate, but it should be noted that Avon Road provides no access to the STFC carpark, which is accessed from Road 7. STFC are not affiliated to or responsible for the contractors that are working on behalf of Moderna SISK.

If you have any queries regarding our response please do let us know. If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review, explaining which elements of this decision you disagree with and why. Internal review requests should be submitted within 40 working days of the date of our response and should be addressed to:

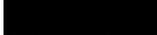
Head of Information Governance  
Email: [foi@ukri.org](mailto:foi@ukri.org)

Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are still not content with the outcome of the internal review, you may apply to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the review procedure provided by UKRI. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk).

If you wish to raise a complaint regarding the service you have received or the conduct of any UKRI staff in relation to your request, please see [UKRI's complaints procedure](#)<sup>1</sup>.

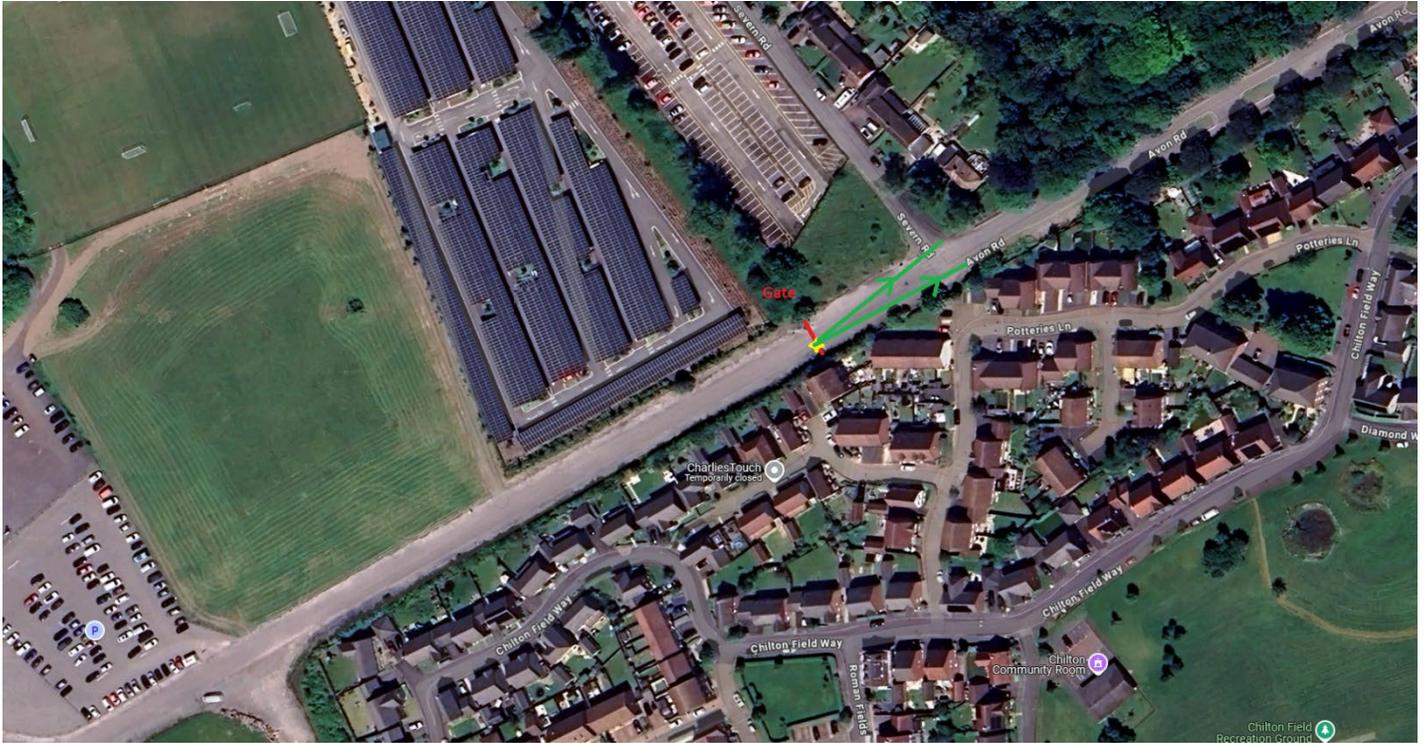
Yours sincerely,

  
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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.ukri.org/who-we-are/contact-us/make-a-complaint/#skipnav-target>

## Annex 1 – Location of Static Speed Detection Unit on Avon Road



Yellow box indicates location of unmanned static speed detection unit.  
Green arrows indicate direction in which the unit records traffic entering and leaving site.