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Dear Mr Shullot

Thank you for your recent letter dated 6 July. It is great for me to hear the views and concerns of our members.

The environmental debate has certainly moved up the public and political agenda in recent years with an increasing focus on emissions from transport. Not surprising when transport accounts for 26% of UK carbon emissions - and rising.

We believe that more measures are needed to promote greener motoring in future. That said, we do not believe motorists should be penalised for the type of car they drive – be it through choice or necessity.

We would be supportive of positive incentives that are intended to encourage greener driving and responsible use of vehicles rather than discourage car ownership. These might include further reductions in road tax for the cleanest cars, use of the taxation system to incentivise the replacement of older fuel-inefficient vehicles and measures to encourage more fuel-efficient driving.

Improving public transport also has to be part of a strategy to tackle CO<sub>2</sub> emissions thereby potentially giving motorists more choice in the way they choose to travel.

Thank you for taking the time to write to me and for your continuing loyalty to RAC.

Yours sincerely,



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