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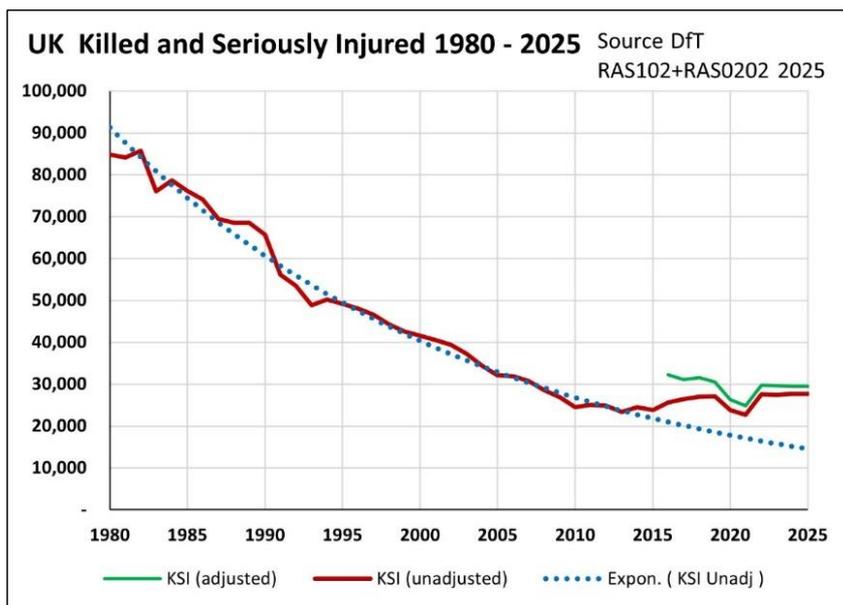
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Dear Mrs Alexander,

Killed and Seriously Injured Road Casualties: a Solution – a Lightbulb Change

We wrote to you on 25 November 2025, Simon Lightwood replied but did not accept that the deviation was due to blinding lights and in-car screens. We replied December 2025 asking what was the cause? The DfT replied 16 Feb 2026 not answering the question stating further research is to be undertaken into the problem of glare plus a link to your new Road Safety Strategy. It is good that you accept that the statistics have plateaued, but the proposed action is too little, too slow - lives are being lost now!



From the DfT non-answer, it is evident that your Government does not know what the cause of the deviation is – or – they do not want to admit the horrendous reality that an unnecessary 18,500 KSI pa. is due to the introduction of in car screens and blinding lights.

Besides Lightmare, the public have repeatedly complained to the DfT about the dangers of blinding lights, our own short petition attracted 5,000 complaints including many medical professionals.

The Government is ignoring [expert ophthalmological opinion](#)

The USA [Softlights.org petition](#) is up to 79,000, the FDA is considering action.

We propose a solution - a simple bulb change:

As an example to the world, mandate by September 2026 that all vehicles should be recalled and fitted with 2700k LED headlamp bulbs (made by Osram + Philips). DRL should be modified to 2,700k variable intensity 400cd dull, 1200cd sun. Older vehicles with more complex HID-Xenon lights should have until 2027 to be converted. The manufacturers dominated UNECE WP29 when the regulations were being set, so they should stand the cost.

The 2025 TRL report [Glare from Vehicle Lighting on UK Roads](#) depicts vehicles breaking the law, the government has a duty of care to protect UK citizens from danger and must act immediately to uphold the law.

Yours sincerely,

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[The Law - Road Vehicle Lighting Regulation RVLr reg 27](#)