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Dear Mr Silverman

Litter - M62 junction 27

Thank you for your email of 5 February 2018 to Jim O'Sullivan, concerning litter at junction 27 of the M62. I am replying to you as this issue falls within my area of responsibility.

The slip roads here are particularly prone to litter, due to high volumes of traffic and the close proximity to Birstall Retail Park. We regularly inspect the area for litter and when we identify that an excessive quantity of rubbish has accumulated, a clean-up is programmed, in line with recommendations from the Environmental Protection Act. In certain litter hotspots like this area, litter can build up almost immediately after we have cleared the area making it very difficult to manage.

We attended the four slips roads for litter picking on three occasions between April and October 2017. More recently, last week we collected 11 bags of litter here, where we could access areas without the need for traffic management. The remaining locations require traffic management and slip road closures and are programmed for litter picking in early March. I do hope you will see an improvement here in the coming weeks.

Wherever possible, we also work collaboratively with anti-litter organisations and local authorities to discuss possible ways to tackle the. We are supporting Keep Britain Tidy's [Great British Spring Clean](#) on the weekend of 2-4 March. In preparation for that event, we will be working with our contractors to focus resources as much as possible on litter picking throughout that weekend and during the two weeks running up to the event.

If you have any further question on this matter, Tim Calvert our Assistant Service Delivery Manager would be happy to help. He can be contacted on 0300 4702358 or at Tim.Calvert@highwaysengland.co.uk

Yours sincerely

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