

### **Andrew Cox response**

- Question 22. Agree
- Question 23. Agree
- Question 24. Agree
- Question 25. Do Not agree, UK Police forces, and specifically the MPS have dedicated collision investigation teams, that deal with fatal/serious, complex and high profile cases. The forming of a specific team to deal with AV, creates an unnecessary tiered level of investigation. Additionally local collision investigation teams provide a timely response to scenes to capture critical evidence, manage the scene, the injured party and their families, along with management of road closures.
- Sub question point 1, the analysis of data can be undertaken by a suitably trained forensic investigator, the analysis of data is part of their working role, especially around vehicles equipped with incident data recorders, I see AV data as no different.
- Sub question point 2. SCIU's already exist as above comment.
- Sub question point 3. I am uneasy with the terminology "make recommendations to improve safety without allocating blame". This will introduce a conflict of interest with the investigation team, to further explain this, is to use the example of the Air accident investigation branch, where their primary role is to identify safety issues and prevent further air disasters, this introduces some unique protection to Pilots, where written or verbal incident accounts from the pilot are protected and cannot be used by a prosecuting authority, introduced in legislation to ensure a truthful account is obtained without the risk of incrimination.
- Question 26. Agree
- Question 27.
- Sub question 1. The main focus for the forum should be that of safety, identifying trends and seeking to adjust legislation as technology advances.
- Sub question 2. The composition should be a relevant member of Parliament e.g Road Safety minister, there should be an independent expert on AV technology, Member(S) of local authority such as TfL, NPCC lead for roads policing, relevant member of the Forensic Collision Investigation network.

### **Response sent on behalf of:**

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