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Subject: Timber wagon incident

Gentlemen,

On Thursday 23rd June whilst travelling along Kirkland road at approximately 09:10 I had a near miss involving a timber wagon.

I was travelling along Kirkland road heading towards Ennerdale Bridge, nearing the longing end to Bankend Farm two timber wagons came at speed around the bend forcing me onto the bank. I have no idea how the wagon did not hit my car I braced myself for impact. A second wagon was behind travelling in convoy, the driver of the second wagon gestured as if to thank me for pulling over.

The incident left me extremely shaken and I have reported it to the police.

I believe forestry operations are currently being carried out on Cold Fell and that the approved route for the vehicles is along the road to Wath Brow. I believe the section of road passed The Gather is not an approved section of road and must not be used by timber wagons.

The agreement with Forestry England and the haulage companies is also to avoid school start and finish times. This was clearly not adhered to.

With the closure of Cauda Brow for approximately 6 weeks from 21st June this route along Kirkland road is extremely busy with all traffic including cyclists.

I ask that this complaint be carried forward to the relevant bodies to prevent such happening again.

Obviously due to the time of the incident I did not expect to encounter these vehicles on my journey and certainly not on my side of the road!

The next motorist or cyclist may not be so lucky.

Kind regards

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