

Sometimes direct action is the best way to deal with unwelcome visitors like overweight HGVs just passing through.

It's easy to report them. Here's a template you can adapt to suit your own message:

Dear Transport Manager [or name if available]

I live in Norton St Philip, a village on the A366 between Radstock and Trowbridge.

On **[date]** at **[time]** I photographed one of your HGVs travelling along the **[road number]** in the direction of **[town]**. See photo supplied.

I would like you to check your vehicle tracker and explain why your driver was breaking the 7.5 ton weight limit on this road through the village on that date.

The vehicle is a [description if possible], registration number [xxxx].

I am not sending the details of your company and vehicle to the Police at this stage, as there may be a valid reason for the driver to be travelling to Norton St Philip at that hour, but if your vehicles are recorded again without good explanation then I will have to pass their information on to the Police and Traffic Commissioner. I am sure you know that any reference to the Police or Traffic Commissioner could affect your Operator's Licence.

I enclose helpful guidance for all your drivers on ways to avoid driving illegally through our historic village. [enclose the guidance on following pages]

I look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you.

## [Name] Norton St Philip resident







