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About PACTS (Parliamentary Advisory Council for Transport Safety)

The Parliamentary Advisory Council for Transport Safety (PACTS) is a registered charity and an associate Parliamentary Group. Its charitable objective is "To promote transport safety legislation to protect human life". Its aim is to advise and inform members of the House of Commons and of the House of Lords on air, rail and road safety issues. It brings together safety professionals and legislators to identify research-based solutions to transport safety problems having regard to cost, effectiveness, achievability and acceptability.

PACTS has four functions:

- It provides an independent technical advisory service for Parliamentarians on a wide range of transport safety matters.
- It lobbies and persuades, identifying and promoting research-based solutions to transport safety issues through Parliamentary access and contacts.
- It promotes wider publicity and information on safety through conferences, seminars, the annual Westminster Lecture on Transport Safety, publications and its website.
- It responds to Government, Parliamentary and public proposals for safety improvements.

Structure

- The Board of Directors comprises politicians, academics, retired public and private sector leaders and consultants.

- Development of policy is assisted by the Advisory Committee, meeting three times a year, usually in the House of Commons.
- The Advisory Committee is served by a number of technical working parties.

Activities

- PACTS organises at least two conferences every year and the annual Westminster Lecture on Transport Safety, usually held in December.
- PACTS is a founder member of the European Transport Safety Council (ETSC), based in Brussels, which advises and informs the European Commission and Parliament.

PACTS website contains important information on transport safety, including:

- Briefings and Articles
- Responses to Consultations
- Research Documents
- Statistics and Key Facts on Transport Safety
- Parliamentary transport safety legislation
- Information Library with web links to relevant documents and articles

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