# **TECHNICAL BULLETIN**





Bulletin No: 0086 CDS. ref: L8685bu

Issue:

Date: 19.12.01

MODEL/DERIVATIVE:

Discovery II

## AFFECTED RANGE:

All vehicles

## PROBLEM:

KNOCKING / CREAKING NOISE FROM THE FRONT OF THE VEHICLE Knocking / creaking noise when turning at slow speeds (predominantly steering from lock to lock).

#### CAUSE:

Movement of internal spacer in the front longitudinal chassis member where the Power Assisted Steering (PAS) box is located.

#### ACTION:

Where a complaint of the above is confirmed, locate and plug weld the spacer as described below.

- 1. Disconnect both battery leads and the alternator.
- 2. Remove the front road wheel on the drivers side.
- 3. Raise vehicle on lift.
- 4. Remove 2 nuts securing anti-roll bar link, remove washers and anti-roll bar link. CAUTION: If the Active Cornering Enhancement (ACE) bar is moved, ensure the pipes are not strained.
- 5. Remove PAS box upper and lower rear mounting bolts.
- 6. Referring to attachment 1 for detail, mark out 4 hole positions and centre punch.

  NOTE: The dimensions shown on attachment 1 are approximate and are intended as a guide to the drilling position only.



Prepare for welding. Any nearby chassis fittings such as brake pipes must be protected from weld spatter to prevent corrosion at a later date.

Health and Safety guidelines in accordance with local market requirements *MUST* be followed.

- 7. Flat bottom drill 4 holes 8 mm diameter at the positions marked, drill until internal spacer is exposed, the holes can be drilled to a maximum of 10 mm. Depth of the holes may vary.
  - CAUTION: If the spacer is not exposed, a further hole may have to be drilled to establish the position of the internal spacer.
- 8. Grind chassis to expose bare metal around the drilled holes.

- 9. MIG weld the edge of the internal spacer to the chassis, ensure spacer is fixed to the chassis before proceeding. Completely fill all holes with weld.
- 10. Grind excess weld material level with the chassis.
- 11. Etch prime bare metal, repair paint finish as required.
- 12. Refit steering box bolts and tighten to 90 Nm.
- 13. Refit anti-roll bar link, washer and nuts and tighten to 100 Nm.
- 14. Lower vehicle.
- 15. Refit the front road wheel on the drivers side and tighten nuts to 140 Nm.
- 16. Reconnect the alternator and the battery earth leads.

PARTS INFORMATION:

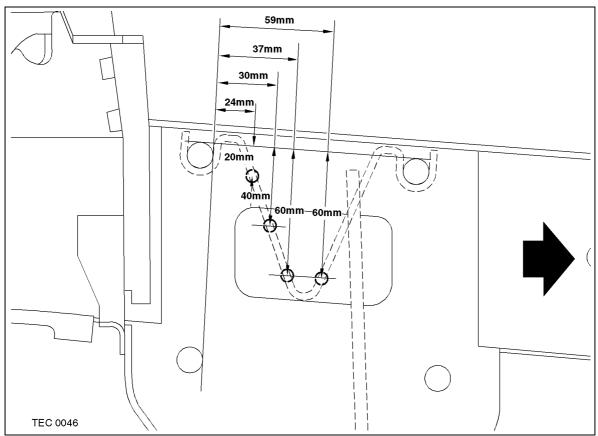
Not applicable

**WARRANTY CLAIMS:** 

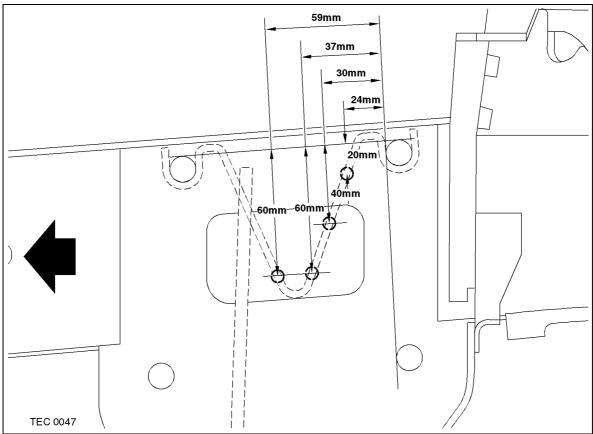
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Use S.R.O.: 57.30.89/27 Time allowance: 0.70 Hrs

# **Attachment 1**



Right hand drive vehicle (Arrow points towards front of vehicle)



Left hand drive vehicle (Arrow points towards front of vehicle)