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# Mum's UFO shock

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UFO investigators are baffled by a cluster of mystery lights which followed and terrorised a mother and her daughter as they drove out of Grimsby.

The object — surrounded by a set of glaring lights — hovered above the road behind, in front, and directly on top of the women's car as they drove along the A180.

It stayed with them for several miles, before shooting out of sight.

Police and UFO investigators admit they have no idea what the phenomenon was, but it is believed to be linked to a series, or "flap", of unexplained sightings across the north of England last year.

Details of the disturbing close encounter are revealed in a new book, *The UFO Report 1990*, published this week.

## 89 incidents

The report, by Graham and Mark Birdsall, of the Leeds-based Yorkshire UFO Society, said the Grimsby sighting was one of 89 incidents reported across the north in January last year.

It states Annette McDonaldson and her daughter Clare were returning to their York home after visiting friends in the port around 5pm on January 3.

As they drove out of town, Annette saw a set of bright lights in her mirror about 100 yards behind the car, which she thought belonged to a lorry.

But when she slowed

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down to let it overtake, it stayed the same distance behind her.

She asked her daughter to watch the lights, and Clare noticed they were hovering above the ground.

She could not see any object behind them.

The lights slowly moved closer to the car and suddenly disappeared.

Two minutes later Clare saw them directly above the car.

The report states: "Panic set in and Annette slammed her foot down hard on the accelerator, and in a short while was beyond the legal speed limit."

## Reappeared

The lights went out of sight again, but suddenly reappeared in front of the car, before shooting vertically upwards out of sight.

The two women called the police, and details were passed on to the society.

Investigators thought the object could have been a low-flying helicopter chasing the car, but the women neither heard nor saw anything, and no aircraft was reported in the area.

A report of the incident has been catalogued as a genuine UFO sighting, but a spokesman for the Ministry of Defence said no official research on UFOs was being carried out by the Government.