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A38 Derby Junctions

Subject:

Representations for Mr and Mrs M. Beavis (Beavis Family) ref - A38DJ-AFP070/1

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Application by Highways England for an Order Granting Development Consent for A38 Derby Junctions Project.

<u>Further Submissions by Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Beavis (The Beavis Family).</u> <u>references:- A38DJ-AFP070/1 - Further Ref:- 20022809.</u>

<u>The basis for our Representation – re:- closure/diversion of the Footpath</u> at the newly proposed Little Eaton A38 Flyover

The proposal by Highways England (H.E.) to close and divert Footpath No. 3 from Rectory Lane and Croft Lane to the Little Eaton A38/A61 Island flyover and onto Little Eaton fails to retain this long established route. This is specifically signed on Croft Lane. Furthermore, the proposed diversion returns the pedestrian south (in the wrong and opposite direction), adjacent to A61, to join F.P. No. 1 on its route to Darley Abbey. Such a route would mean it necessary to cross the dual carriageway of the A61 at some point, which is fast moving, with no provision for the pedestrian to cross and then return some distance north, to encounter the complex new fly-over and road pattern at the Little Eaton A38 flyover, on their route to Little Eaton. A footpath should provide a direct route between two places.

For details of existing Footpath routes in the area of the A38 Island and directional details see attached plan.

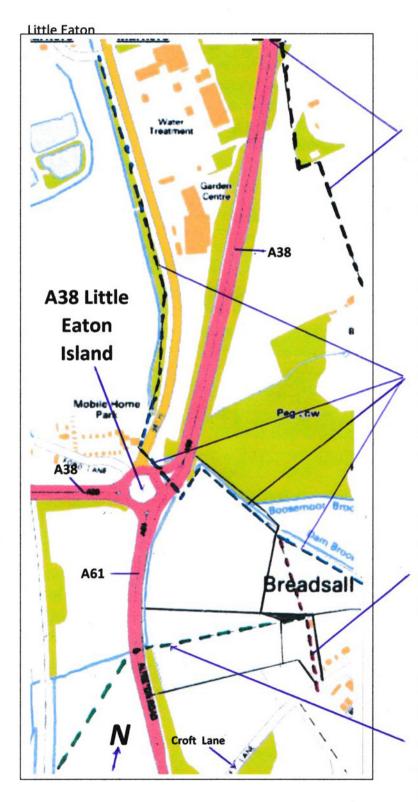
Our suggestions to improve and modify H.E.'s proposals.

It seems illogical to expect walkers to travel south for about a quarter of a mile, along the proposed new route, adjacent to the A61, to then have to return a similar distance north. Obviously the footpath, currently at the A38 Island, should be routed north (on the Breadsall side), alongside the eastern side of the newly positioned A38, to meet up with Bridle Path No.18, adjacent to the Severn Trent Water Works, using the existing underpass, to safely arrive in Little Eaton. No major road would have to be crossed and the original purpose of the F.P. achieved.

In addition, please can we ensure that the Alder trees etc. along our boundary with the A61,(adjoining F.P. No. 1), be retained to help reduce pollution for grazing animals and crops grown to feed animals.

Malcolm and Julie Beavis (The Beavis Family)

Plan showing the present Public Footpath arrangements from Breadsall to the area around and to the Little Eaton Island on the A38 Trunk Road. Ref no:- A38DJ-AFP070/1. Further ref:- 20022809



Footpath/Bridle path No. 18 – Footpath from top of Rectory Lane, Breadsall to Little Eaton using the A38 underpass adjacent to S.T. Water Works, north of the Little Eaton Island

Footpath No. 3 – from
Rectory Lane, Breadsall to
Little Eaton, crossing the
A38 at the Little Eaton
Island, which is subject to a
proposed closure and
diversion.

Footpath No. 2 - from Croft Lane, Breadsall, to join Footpath No. 3 en-route to Little Eaton.

Footpath No. 1 – from
Footpath No. 2, crossing the
A61, the main railway line
[to and from Derby], enroute to Darley Abbey.

Map by SABRE
Not to scale