

WRITTEN REPRESENTATION TO THE PLANNING INSPECTION OF THE A30 CHIVERTON TO CARLAND ROAD BUILDING SCHEME.

POINT 1:

I maintain all the points of disagreement and the arguments I made in my original 'Relevant Representation'. I still await a response by the Highways England to that representation.

POINT 2:

For this written representation I would like to emphasise and reiterate all the points I made in that Relevant Representation concerning the Marazanvose & Nancarrow Farm section of the scheme. These I have divided into eight general categories which follow: -

- a) Severance of the community and farm with the obvious and noted consequences.
- b) Destruction of one home and one barn with planning approved for my proposed retirement home. Building four new lanes of 'Mile a Minute' expressway closer to three more homes, than the existing two lanes of 60mph trunk road. While leaving six lanes of fast road directly in front of the five remaining homes in Marazanvose therefore causing continued blight of the whole hamlet.
- c) Taking Nancarrow Farm land that is close to the hub of the farm and so severely damaging established management and movements around the farm. Alternatives will be inferior and make daily work harder and more difficult to run efficiently and viably. A fast and noisy four lane road only a few yards from winter cattle housing will have negative affect on cattle wellbeing and performance.
Generations of work and achievement will be effectively destroyed.
There is no mitigation for this gross damage. The mitigation of a bridge and track have severe encroachment disadvantages and will be long and difficult therefore only partially effective.
- d) Environmental damage. Hundreds of 25-year-old trees would be destroyed. Organic farmland is taken which has proven better bio-diversity than conventional farmland. The priceless topsoil has taken 20 years of organic farming to create. The trees provide a screen from the current road, a wildlife corridor and a barrier lifting birds and bats over the road more safely.
- e) Unfairness: - Nancarrow Farm was severed before by the building of the Zelah bypass, 8 acres of land lost and now it's proposed again. It is a smaller farm than the two main farms to the north (which have lost little in the past & peripheral), so the proportion of the farm lost is hugely more for Nancarrow Farm.
- f) Severe damage to the ability of the farm diversification wedding & venue business to continue as successfully. The presence of the road will cause permanent harm and during the construction temporary disruption of business is likely. Maximum cooperation of Highways England to minimise this is essential.
- g) A viable alternative route could be constructed to the north of the whole of Marazanvose. It would have many advantages and none of the severe disadvantages to the community, farms or business. The quality of the living environment of Marazanvose and all who live there could be transformed FOR THE BETTER.
- h) The emotional strain on my family, for whom I have devoted my life's work, and on me, caused by this unnecessary destruction of our achievements has been inhuman. This factor has been ignored during all our appeals, arguments and conversation with Highways England and consultant personnel.

That concludes my Written Representation.