



A585 Windy Harbour to Skippool Improvement scheme

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Dear Planning,

We have lived at  on the corner of Skippool Road and Amounderness Way since 1988. The roundabout at Skippool Junction was built in 1974 to eliminate a dangerous staggered crossing over Amounderness Way from Skippool Road to Breck Road. The roundabout worked well eliminating this dangerous crossing.

Over 30 yrs we have seen an exponential increase in traffic up and down Amounderness Way, Breck Road and Skippool Road. During peak times the traffic build up is considerable, but the traffic does keep moving around the roundabout faster than if controlled by traffic lights as the new junction will be. The tailbacks back down Mains Lane to the roundabout and up Amounderness Way are caused by traffic lights at the "T" junction of Shard Road A588 and Mains Lane. This junction is about 300 metres up mains lane. I have witnessed these queues many times and am certain the lights at the junction are the cause.

The new road will eliminate these queues as it by-passes Mains Lane but changing the roundabout into a traffic light controlled junction will cause major tailbacks on all three roads Amounderness Way, Skippool Road and Breck Road. The present five crossing points on these three roads for cyclists and pedestrians are quite adequate.

The existing roundabout at Skippool Junction does cause queues but these will be small in comparison to those at a junction with 5 or 6 sets of lights even if controlled by computers for maximum effect.

Please accept these conclusions as a result of observation and close proximity to the roundabout over a long time.

Yours faithfully, 

Stephen Cassidy. 