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To whom it may concern,

Re: A428 upgrade – Construction traffic

Our Chairman, Cllr Peter Balicki, attended the online issue specific hearing number 5 on 1st December 2021. At this meeting, he requested that National Highways were asked to ensure that all construction traffic for this upgrade is routed along the A road network and not through the village of Hilton on the B1040, should the Planning Inspectorate approve the proposed upgrading of the A428.

It was clear from comments made by a representative of National Highways that traffic restrictions were not being considered as far north as Hilton for this project, so we are writing to confirm this request.

Cambridgeshire County Council supported our Chairman's comments and they also confirmed that, despite undertakings by National Highways to ensure construction traffic did not pass through Hilton during the construction of the A14 southern bypass, it did and was a constant source of irritation within the village.

Both Hilton Parish Council and Cambridgeshire Country Council believe that construction materials for some of the upgrade may come from the St Ives area and that the most direct route between St Ives and the A428 development is through Hilton along the B1040. Consequently, we have made the request for National Highways to be instructed to order construction traffic from St Ives to use the A1307 and A1198 to reach the road works.

It was mentioned by Cllr Peter Balicki at the issue specific hearing that Hilton Parish Council are in the process of trying to obtain, through Cambridgeshire County Council, a full 24-hour ban on Heavy Commercial Vehicles along the B1040 through Hilton, but this matter is still progressing and may not be concluded before the end of the Planning Inspectorate's enquiry.

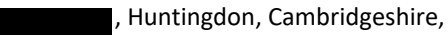


We see that this matter has been listed under item 12 of matters arising from Issue Specific Hearing 5. The action points state that the Applicant is to consider whether construction HGV traffic should be subject to route restriction through Hilton, but Hilton Parish Council would like to see the restriction on traffic being imposed on the Applicant by the Planning Inspectorate and to include all construction traffic associated with the A428 upgrade, not just heavy commercial vehicles.

Hilton Parish Council looks forward to receiving your support in this matter.

Yours faithfully



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