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Thank you for agreeing to and accompanying us on the site visit to Twyford and Colden Common to view the areas that will be impacted by the planned works. We know that on your visit you experienced the same speed, danger and inconvenience that our residents experience at close proximity on a daily basis. We hope that it was a useful exercise to understand the context of a community that is dominated and divided by a road and is fearful of injury and loss of life to its residents and children. There are changes that need to be made that would allow residents freedom of mobility and safe enjoyment of their village. We are concerned that without these changes, these dangers will only be exacerbated.

We brought your attention to the current unsafe environment for pedestrians and cyclists, that will only be exacerbated by works:

- Inadequate width and maintenance of paths
- dangerous speed limits
- volumes and weight of traffic, including large number of HGVs
- the lack of pedestrian and cycling infrastructure

What we would like to see included in the conditions of works to mitigate these risks is:

- Reduction of the national speed limit north of Hockley Cottages to 40mph, and Highbridge Road to 40mph
- Double white lines for the full length of the route from Colden Common to Allbrook
- Gatemen for traffic lights at J11 during the diversion phase to allow dynamic control and easing of traffic congestion.

- Updating to modern safe standards the cycle and pedestrian crossings at J11:
 - light phasing and visibility for pedestrians and cyclists using the crossing at Hockley golf course, where there is currently no phasing provision whatsoever
 - safe modern standards of crossing and light phasing for pedestrians and cyclists at the Hockley link crossing- not requiring cyclists to dismount or to split the crossing phase mid road
- The cycle route from Colden Common to Winchester has been designated a primary priority route in the LCWIP. For safe use of this route we need a crossing of the B3335 carriageway for southbound cyclists to Church Lane. To avoid further danger to cyclists and to maintain the current high levels of cycling, we require this crossing to be built ahead of the works
- Delivery of the planned crossing at Queen Street ahead of the works: this is agreed but not currently funded. It is desperately needed from a safety perspective with current volumes of traffic, and will become even more urgent and dangerous with the added pressure expected during diversion to J11
- During these works there needs to be regular clear communication in detail with the Parishes, Councillors and also with the wider public via an app- for prompt 2-way communication and alerts, and so that timetabling and expected closures, diversions and any changes to scheduling can be highlighted
- Proactive planning and management of clear sight line maintenance with cutting back vegetation around the entirety of the junction and clearing around signage
- Careful planning of positioning and repetition of diversion signage
- A commitment to regular survey and review of the traffic, congestion and air quality effects in Twyford and Colden Common so that there is a live understanding of the day-to-day impacts on the residents of the villages and to children in the schools so that changes can be made in a timely fashion.

Again, thank you so much for your time and consideration.

Kind Regards

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