

## **DEHENNA DAVISON MP**

Member of Parliament for Bishop Auckland

The Rt Hon Mark Harper MP Secretary of State for Transport Department for Transport Great Minster House 33 Horseferry Road London SW1P 4DR

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Dear Secretary of State,

On behalf of my constituents living on and near the A66 route in Teesdale, I would like to state that the A66 Dualling proposed by Highways England has my full support.

I have lost count of the number of constituents who have contacted me to express their concern about the safety of the A66, in particular the Bowes bypass section of the carriageway which has been the site of several serious incidents in recent years.

I welcome Highways England's commitment to ensuring that we in Bishop Auckland and Teesdale can drive on our roads safely, without the need to rely on unsafe, outdated infrastructure and the government's willingness to ensure the access to the funding required for such a major project.

I hope that these plans can be implemented as soon as possible, so that my constituents can finally get the roads they deserve.

Yours sincerely,



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