

### Significant Impact on Our Business

Historical information - The work on the Staverton B4634 Bridge, originally planned from July 2020 to August 2021 was stretched to 24 months, concluding in June 2022.

This extended disruption had a notable impact on our business. During this time, enforced diversions caused substantial operational challenges. We saw an average 20% decline in turnover within a six-month period. This financial strain led to a reduction in staff hours, resulting in some job losses and a decrease in supplier orders.

Looking ahead, the M5 Junction 10 Scheme brings concerns to the operation of our business.

The uncertainties surrounding the construction timelines, road closures and diversions pose a significant threat to our trading.

We anticipate further considerable interference with our daily activities which include the works in the grounds of the House in the Tree, these being the loss of valuable car parking spaces, removal of hedges, installation of new fencing, damage to the garden including the children's play areas, complete closure with the loss of the beer garden whilst pole & overhead cable works are carried out and disruptions with the installation of a new cycle path.

We foresee a reduction in trade and increased operational concerns once construction commences. The combined impact of these disruptions could lead to reduced trading days and hours if roads are closed, resulting in possible redundancies and affecting our local suppliers.