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More feedback re A5

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Jayne Gibbons

Date: 7 July 2019 at 13:41:52 BST

To: Anita Anderson

Subject: Re: A5 issues update

That's great. Yes we are Wheaton Aston. Please do pass my details on re the speedwatch query and yes please use my email for anything you need to re your campaign.

Kind regards

Jayne

On Sun, 7 Jul 2019 at 13:06, Anita Anderson

> wrote:

Dear Jayne, thanks for this. Do you fall into Wheaton Aston parish? If so I can pass you onto the parish councillor who runs the community speedwatch here.

Brewood coven and bishops wood pc also run the community speed watch. If it's ok I will forward your email onto the MPs and councillors etc too?

Thanks again Jayne

Anita

Sent from my iPhone

On 7 Jul 2019, at 11:24, Jayne Gibbons wrote:

Hi Anita

Sorry it's taken me so long to come back to you.

Here is the statement I promised you.

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As a resident of Ivetsey Bank residing directly on the A5 I am

increasingly concerned about the use of the A5 by commuters and those using it for pleasure.

The noise that I see and hear from lorries and commuting drivers outside our house regularly includes speeding and dangerous overtaking. The volume of traffic has increased and they are numerous occasions where drivers can be seen overtakings dangerously. Papping horns at unreasonable behaviour and so on. Although we always knew living on the a5 would mean traffic noise I would say the nature of the traffic has very much changed as well as increased.

The motorbikes in particular using the road during evening hours for I can presume what are pleasure rides seem to be at epidemic proportion this year. My daughter has white noise played on my phone to cover the sound of the Motorbikes going past every few minutes at breakneck speeds as we go to bed. It's got to the point where as much as we love our house and community we are thinking of moving in the next as our daughter finds her feet.

I lie in bed with her some nights and actually worry about these bikers getting into accidents, the sound and speed of them is so horrific.

Our area is no different to those further down towards Cannock or Telford that have the benefit of restricted speed limits and no overtaking zones. I would definitely like to see more traffic control in our area and beyond.

Hope this helps. I also saw in the local newsletter they are calling for people to get involved as community speedwatch areas. Is this something Ivetsey bank already takes part in? We would like to support this.

Kind regards

Jayne

On Tue, 4 Jun 2019 at 21:35, Anita Anderson wrote:

Many thanks Jayne.

On 4 Jun 2019, at 20:21, Jayne Gibbons wrote:

Will send you something this week.

Kind regards

Jayne

On Sun, 2 Jun 2019 at 22:33, Anita Anderson

> wrote:

Yes please Jayne the more detail the better.

Thank you

Sent from my iPhone

On 2 Jun 2019, at 20:48, Jayne Gibbons wrote:

Yes no problem at all. Could give more detail if needed?

On Sun, 2 Jun 2019 at 20:28, Anita Anderson

wrote:

Dear Jayne,

I totally agree with you, it is getting worse. I don't even think the proposed M54/M6 link road will make a difference either, especially the lorries that are travelling from Telford. They will still use this as a rat run. There are consultations going on for that proposal until July.

Would it be ok for me pass your feedback on again?

Thanks Anita

On 2 Jun 2019, at 20:11, Jayne Gibbons

> wrote:

Thank you for your update, Anita.

It has got much worse I feel since we last spoke. I now see much more general traffic and hear lorries now rattling past when I am in bed where as when we first moved here it was relatively quiet in the evenings.

Look forward to hearing of your victories! And thank you for all the work you are doing on this.

Jayne

On Sun, 2 Jun 2019 at 19:07, Anita Anderson

wrote:

Dear residents,

I hope this email finds you well. I thought I would provide you with an update as it has been a while since I gathered your feedback in respect of our issues on the A5.

Firstly just so that you are aware and as you may know, I do sit on the committee fighting the West Midlands Interchange development and just in case you were not aware, the applicants have recently sited the A5 Gailey to Weston as the secondary HGV route for the development. The applicants have

also stated that there will be a lorry ban through Penkridge to J13 of the M6!

There are more hearings with the Planning Inspectorate taking place this week at the Premier Suite in Cannock and the A5 West of Gailey is on the agenda on Wednesday 5th June in the afternoon. Please register your interest with the PI if you want to attend. Needless to say I will be there. All the information to do with this development can be found on the planning inspectorate website.

Secondly, and given the recent M54 closures too and the disruption that caused, I have kept up constant communications with MP's, County Councillors, highways and Staffs safer roads partnership and sent them all of our feedback almost on a daily basis it feels!

As a result, our 2

local MP's Jeremy Lefroy and Gavin Williamson have signed a letter and sent it to Staffs safer roads partnership suggesting that the speed needs to be 50mph where it is currently 60mph and of course keeping the current 50 and 40 speed limits where they are already in place. I have highlighted the importance of getting this enforced otherwise it will be a wasted exercise and the MP's are in agreement with this.

I have gathered email evidence recently from freight companies admitting that their lorries use this section as a short cut instead of using the M54.

Hopefully at a later stage Jeremy Lefroy has said that we will tackle the addition of a weight limit on the A5 at a later date.

Kindest regards

Anita Anderson

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