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Good Morning

Following on from the latest amendment to the proposal please see below as to why I strongly object and feel that critical details have been overlooked.

The very suggestion of the narrow road just highlights to me that no one making this proposal has been to the village and actually considered what such a ludicrous suggestion means.

Pedestrianising the current bus stop outside the Co-op. This would cause an enormous amount of congestion on the suggested narrow road. There is limited coop parking, forcing vehicles either attending the Co-op or the cash machine will be forced to park in other areas. This will undoubtedly cause more congestion and hazards. The crossing here is where many school children cross to get to the primary school. I fear that trying to cross here on the new proposal will just mean that Primary aged children are having to take their life into their own hands, dodging traffic, trying to cross in between parked vehicles, and then being pinned up against walls by HGVs cutting the bend. Furthermore this is a bus stop and a school bus stop pick up point. Whilst children's safety is a huge concern to me, I also fear for the elderly trying to access services on either side of the proposed HGV corridor.

The suggestion of a narrow road to reduce the amount of HGVs passing through the village is bizarre. What stops either vehicle? There is no provision for this? What if there is already a school bus making it's way through? What if there is village traffic already making it's way through? What if a farm tractor is already making it's way through? No consideration has been given to delivery vehicles, removal vehicles, refuse lorries, school buses which may already be using any of the other roads in the village and need to make use of the suggested narrow road.

There is no provision made for vehicles parked on the side of the road (entirely legally) outside of the nursery, or the properties on Leicester Road?

Presumably HGVs will then go on to cut the corner and take the Sharnford Road? This is already a narrowed road, due to residential parking, more school bus stops and the main route for Primary aged children making their way to school.

I'm a resident on Sharnford Road and already, on a normal day I see far too many vehicle near misses, several HGVs mounting the kerb and cutting the corner because they cannot make it round and an increasing

number of bumps of parked cars. I also walk everywhere that we need to go to within the village, whether it be the Primary School, the Coop, the Post Office or the Park, I cannot feasibly see how this proposal can be considered safe for the villagers of Sapcote.

Whilst this proposal considers HGV traffic from the proposed rail freight terminal I also feel that other local HGV traffic is being immensely overlooked. If another 'on' and 'off' ramp is built at the M69 junction we will not only have to deal with freight terminal HGVs but also other HGVs looking for a quicker and more direct route to the motorway, so this will include Quarry lorries from the local Croft Quarry as well as local transport companies from Lutterworth, Narborough and surrounding areas.

Finally without prejudice I would also ask you to consider whether or not any wordy signs will be understood by drivers of not just HGVs but also any other road users.

I fail to understand how you can deter HGVs from using absolutely any of the roads in Sapcote village as a through route. They will simply take the quickest or shortest route to wherever they are going. The village was simply not built to accept HGV through traffic, and whilst it seems the developers are hell-bent on trying to find a way to make it work, they will ultimately be left with blood on their hands when people are getting injured and property damaged due to their inconsiderate and short sighted proposals.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further clarification on any of the points I have made.

Regards

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