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To whom it may concern

I am writing concerning the updated response from Tritex in connection with the proposed changes to our village centre. There are currently more large residential developments in the pipeline for Sapcote which means the traffic into the village will increase dramatically and therefore the data produced in the report is out of date and meaningless. Every entry road into the village already has parked cars and is difficult to pass normally, as not everyone has off road parking, so there is no solution. The current proposals, in my opinion, will make things a lot worse and cannot contemplate large lorries travelling through in each direction.

The Co Op is key to the village and needs parking for the store, the cash machine and the parcel pick up boxes. There is a major problem here already as there are just four parking spaces and one disabled space to service the village centre which means Church St has the brunt of the vehicles and this is a narrow road of houses, with no off road parking, a care home, a pub, library and church plus church hall. No manner of alterations to the bus pull in or pedestrian areas can have any impact at all to this area. No one wants to sit on a bench outside the Co Op and watch lorries pass by. The current lay out of the current bus pull in ensues a safe area for school children getting on and off the school bus. There is also an assumption here that the bus route for Sapcote will never be restored which, I seriously hope is unfounded, as we are desperate for public transport to service us and neighbouring villages.

I have sympathy for the homeowners whose houses are key to the changes planned for the village centre.

I would also urge the Secretary of State to seriously review the constant problems on the M1/M69 around junction 21, which is dangerous, where an accident occurs here almost daily and results in closure of the M1 both north and south on a regular basis. There is no way that this junction can deal with additional HGV traffic but this has been ignored by Tritex as it is not in their remit so does not exist as far as they are concerned.

Please will the Secretary of State consider this application with a common sense approach and turn down this ridiculous application.

Sue Kirtley