

Additional representation on Sustainable Transport Policy TIN1  
Fareham Local Plan 2037  
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Fareham Borough Councils support for, promotion of, and in conjunction with Hampshire County Council, delivery of, active travel schemes is poor. The ambitions of a convenient, efficient, resilient and safe transport network as well as ensuring convenient cycling and walking networks that contribute towards a modal shift and provide alternative options to the motor car will not be met

The following examples, based on circumstances in the Stubbington locale, disappointingly give no reason to think that this will change.

#### Example 1

Fareham Borough Councils response to representations regarding active travel as summarised in the [Fareham Local Plan Statement of Consultation](#) was (summarising) **“to refer to, or, being progressed through the LCWIP.”**

The draft LCWIP for Fareham did note the barriers to walking and cycling in Stubbington –

- “Whilst it provides no through route, the road network around Stubbington Green makes walking and cycling an unpleasant experience. In various locations along the shared use paths physical barriers are in place, making cycling, especially for some types of cycles, and to a less extent walking, along these routes more inconvenient”
- “The Gosport Road/Stubbington Lane roundabout is a key barrier to walking and cycling as vehicles traverse the small roundabout at high speed, and there are limited crossing facilities for pedestrians”

HCC was successful in its bid for funding from the Governments Active Travel Fund for improvements to Stubbington village centre. However, “high level stakeholders” rejected the initial concept and it went back for a revision.

No revised scheme for the village centre was put forward. However the funds were directed towards the improvements to the 2 roundabouts in Stubbington see [Have your say on new proposed improvements to Stubbington roundabouts | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](#) These modifications to the roundabouts were part of, and to be funded from the Stubbington bypass scheme.

These roundabout proposals attracted opposition inflamed by a leaflet drop and posters with unsubstantiated claims. Bearing in mind the draft LCWIPs findings and Fareham councils pro active travel policy, I saw **no attempt by FBC or HCC** to counter these claims or to actively promote the scheme/s. On the contrary, it would appear that the local county councillor was opposed to the schemes. See Annex A, Annex B, Annex C

#### Example 2

Stubbington Bypass crossing Ranvilles Lane (applies to other uncontrolled crossings of the bypass)

Ranvilles Lane is (at the moment) an attractive, safe and traffic free route for non motorised users, from Stubbington, north to Fareham and beyond to the proposed Welbourne Village and Meon Valley.

It is also used by students travelling to local schools.

However it is now to be crossed by the Stubbington bypass with just a central refuge to assist pedestrians, cyclists and equine users in crossing a 50mph road.

Hampshire County Council say The proposed crossing at Ranvilles Lane has been designed to make it as safe as possible and with 'due regard' for all users. This is obviously not the case. How does a horse fit into a 2.5m wide refuge? How does a cycle with a trailer fit into a 2.5m refuge? see Annex D

By their own admission, HCC say in light of concerns raised and the time that has passed since the scheme design was prepared, further work will be required to validate the crossings as proposed. The bypass / crossing designs predate the trips generated by the proposed developments in the Oakcroft Lane area Why wait until the road is in use? There has been ample time to revisit and modify the scheme as appropriate

**Fareham Borough Councils leader and the local councillor/s are well aware of the concerns (and have been for over 2 years) yet do nothing to support or press for a safer crossing, signal controlled or otherwise.**

The Principal Transport Planner for Hampshire County Council has stated that "A controlled crossing at Ranvilles Lane would potentially encourage use of Ranvilles Lane but would not connect to a formal or safe onward walking/cycling route to the south of the RSPCA shelter." **That formal or safe onward walking/cycling route is "being progressed" through the LCWIP.** Also note that this onward route has been shown on the Fareham Cycle Map for over 10 years. See Annex E

Yes, access has been maintained on Ranvilles Lane; however the method of this access is certain to discourage active travel and NMUs in contraction of Government and Local Authority transport policies. Fareham Borough Council is said to be working closely with Hampshire County Council!

Other Examples

The track record on covid pop up schemes to encourage walking and cycling are not good (i.e. Pier Street, Lee on the Solent modal filter -not implemented, Shoot Lane modal filter -not implemented, A27 protected lane - not implemented).

Newgate Lane East, a new build road with no cycle lane provision instead relying on the old Newgate Lane.

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16<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Annex A

## ***YOUR URGENT ATTENTION PLEASE***

Hampshire County Council having given us a by-pass to ease traffic in Stubbington now they want to waste £700,000 to block it again.

*They propose to restrict traffic at our roundabouts to SINGLE LANE increasing **standing traffic queues and air pollution again** and put crossings dangerously close to the roundabouts.*

**Stubbington Lane** congestion at busy times comes from Lee direction. This will not be eased by the by-pass. More is yet to come from the new housing estates developing at Daedalus with the access yet to open.

**Gosport Road is the access road to and from the by-pass.** Traffic will increase from Stubbington area and people from outside on their way to the beach at Lee and returning again.

Already traffic coming from Stubbington, Lee and Hill Head via Stubbington Lane uses **Eric Road as a short cut** when the roundabouts are snarled up. This sometimes already diverts via **Martin Avenue, Elizabeth Road** and **East House Avenue** and also **Southways** to find a way through.

**Hampshire proposals will reduce traffic at the roundabouts causing more delays and THROW TRAFFIC INTO OUR RESIDENTIAL ROADS AS IT TRIES TO FIND A WAY THROUGH. We will all suffer unnecessary increased traffic and pollution in the roads in which we live especially at peak times.**

1. Fill in the on line form detailed on the letter from Hampshire County Council. [www.hants.gov.uk/stubbington-village-improvements](http://www.hants.gov.uk/stubbington-village-improvements) if you wish to object.

**OR** (and especially if you do not have or are not comfortable using a computer) :

2. Complete the slip below and drop it in the letter box of :

██████████ from where I and my neighbours will ensure they are forwarded to Hampshire County Council and Pal Hayre our local County Councillor.

██████████ is aware of other residents concerns, some have already had a meeting with her. She needs your support to show Hampshire Council residents' concerns. You can also phone her or leave a message on her phone 07941 969492 You may email her at : [Pal.Hayre@hants.gov.uk](mailto:Pal.Hayre@hants.gov.uk).

**There is very little time to have your view heard : ACT NOW TO SAVE OUR ROADS**

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**Objection to Hampshire County Council proposals to restrict traffic flow at Stubbington.**

I am a resident of ..... (Road or Post Code). I object to the Hampshire County Council proposal to restrict the flow of traffic in Stubbington roundabouts as it will force more traffic into our residential roads and further increase environmental pollution via standing traffic and be detrimental to the area and our living standards.

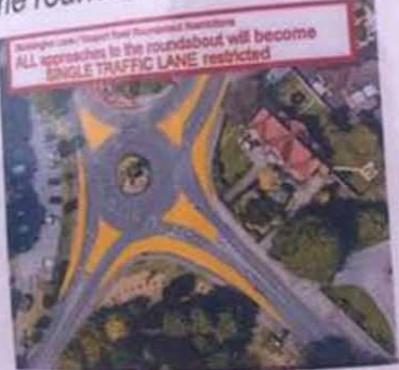
**THERE SHOULD BE NO ALTERATION and passing traffic should be allowed to flow through as efficiently as possible.**

DATE.....

# **STOP THE RESTRICTIONS**

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They propose to restrict traffic at our roundabouts to SINGLE LANE increasing the traffic queues and air pollution again and put crossings dangerously close to the roundabouts.



Details are taken from Hampshire County Council website. They are here as many people do not have or are not comfortable using computers and cannot have easy access to the proposals.

**Stubbington Lane Traffic will NOT be eased by the by-pass.** Don't forget the new large housing estate at Daedalus which will be additional.

**Gosport Road is the access road to the by-pass.** Don't forget all the day trippers to the beach from other areas will now come along here.

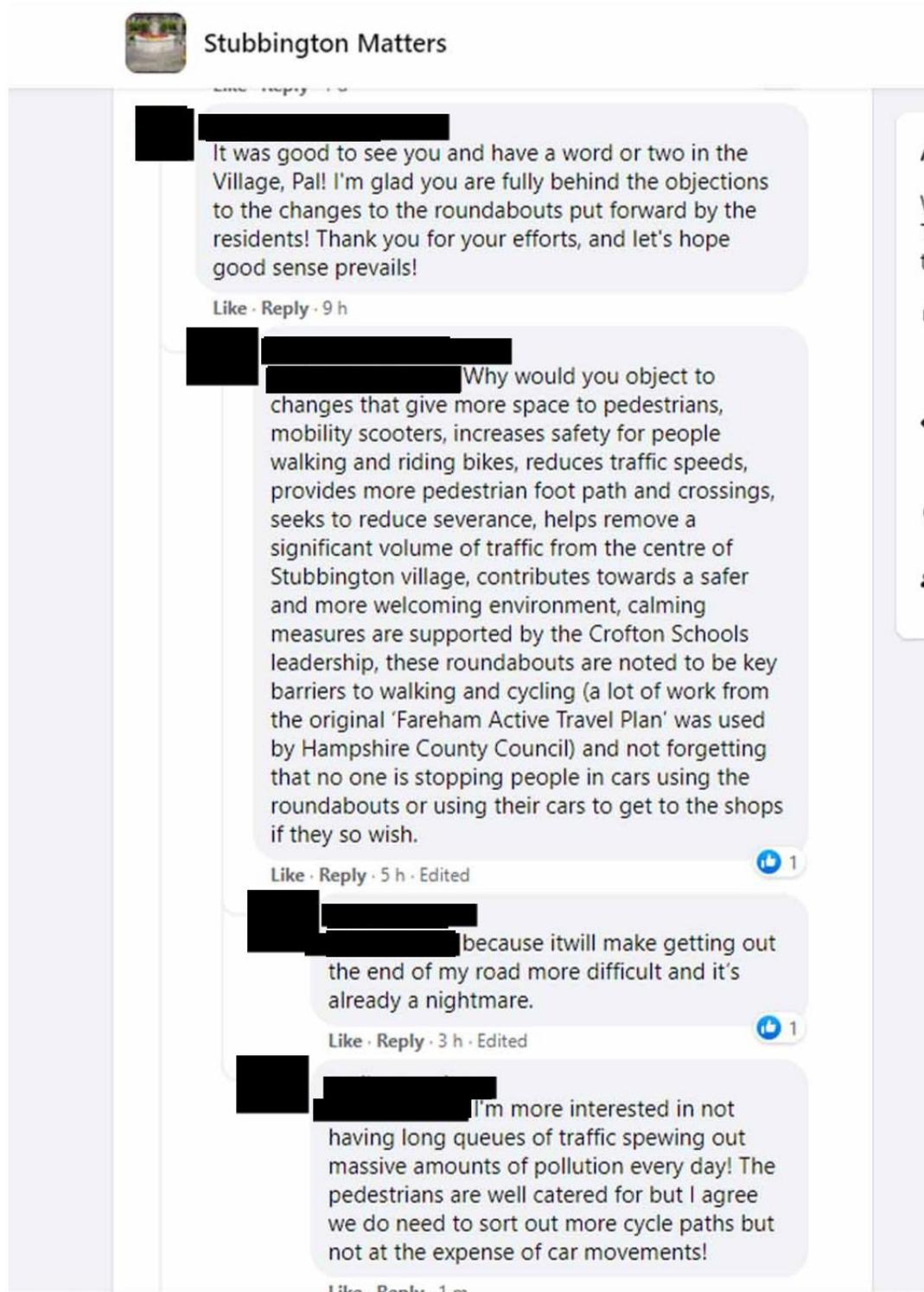
**This means MORE POLLUTION  
Let the traffic pass easily.**

**YOU ONLY HAVE  
UNTIL SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup>  
NOV to get your  
views heard**

**To help STOP this waste and future difficulties to us all fill in the form at:**  
[www.hants.gov.uk/stubbington-village-improvements](http://www.hants.gov.uk/stubbington-village-improvements) (where you can see the proposal)  
or Email your OBJECTION and POST CODE: [Major.schemes@hants.gov.uk](mailto:Major.schemes@hants.gov.uk)  
**just say "DO NOT RESTRICT STUBBINGTON ROUNDABOUTS"**

or Email [Pal.Hayre@hants.gov.uk](mailto:Pal.Hayre@hants.gov.uk) our County Councillor she is fully aware of other objections so far. You may phone or leave a message on: 07941 969429  
**Emails COST NOTHING object or comment when YOU GET HOME**

Annex C



**Stubbington Matters**

It was good to see you and have a word or two in the Village, Pa! I'm glad you are fully behind the objections to the changes to the roundabouts put forward by the residents! Thank you for your efforts, and let's hope good sense prevails!

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Why would you object to changes that give more space to pedestrians, mobility scooters, increases safety for people walking and riding bikes, reduces traffic speeds, provides more pedestrian foot path and crossings, seeks to reduce severance, helps remove a significant volume of traffic from the centre of Stubbington village, contributes towards a safer and more welcoming environment, calming measures are supported by the Crofton Schools leadership, these roundabouts are noted to be key barriers to walking and cycling (a lot of work from the original 'Fareham Active Travel Plan' was used by Hampshire County Council) and not forgetting that no one is stopping people in cars using the roundabouts or using their cars to get to the shops if they so wish.

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because it will make getting out the end of my road more difficult and it's already a nightmare.

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I'm more interested in not having long queues of traffic spewing out massive amounts of pollution every day! The pedestrians are well catered for but I agree we do need to sort out more cycle paths but not at the expense of car movements!

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Annex D



