

Comments by Paper - Consultation 3 -HGV's and weight limits

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Plan Comment

22 No comment on any till. Positive plans on new route through Watlington. There is a weight restriction which is totally ignored!!

42 Traffic! Many surveys have been done regarding TRAFFIC - all with the same conclusion! The biggest problem is parked cars - some people believe these cards are a way to slow traffic, but in fact cars/homes cause pollution. We should start by reversing the priority in Shirburn Street/Couching Street allowing traffic out of the town before allowing more in.

Regarding speed!. The Police should step up to the mark on this issue. Also, if we had some sort of relief road, then maybe a 20mph could be introduced in the town centre, Couching Street and High Street/Gorwell

69 Providing sufficient housing in a good mix of types is essential. Also essential is to reduce lorries & through traffic from Watlington town centre. Agree with the report . However must not become hung up on air quality - it will improve with the removal of lorries and reduction in through traffic.

90 Calming measures in Britwell Road and Cuxham Road would add to pollutions as traffic slows to negotiate them. Speed warning signs should be used in the first instance.

Can the possibility be examined for the school buses to pick up and drop off at rear of school to avoid coming through town and Love Lane on the new re-directed route

148 How will 30 mph be enforced?

I live in a 30 mph and cars go down it at over 50 mph

Never seen a Police trap in 3 years I lived here. Hope it improves

161 So long as the enhanced roads will cope with a larger percentage of all types of vehicles- keeping them out of Watlington centre - otherwise we will have SERIOUS ACCIDENTS

215 I still have concerns about HGV's through town centre

220 Enforcement of Weight/Size limits should still be a priority

228 Reinforcement of the 7.5t limit is key

232 Why not impose a height restriction for lorries going through the High Street as well as the weight restriction? Think this would help with "calming" & "environment"

233 Without addressing the heavy traffic issues on the B480 (Brook Street, Ingham Lane, Howe Road) - issues which only increase as a result of the proposed scheme - we create a lop sided solution. The B480 from Couching Street junction to the Cuxham Rd junction is dangerously narrow, to the extent that two larger vehicles cannot pass without mounting the pavement. This is a road on which children live, walk to school and cross the street.

The alternative route should be extended to complete a loop (following the existing path) from Britwell Road to Howe Road, and generate a real and complete solution

238 It is essential that provision should be made for heavy traffic destined for Henley using Watlington as a short cut.

244 The school needs access via the new route to take the buses out of town.

250 Will signage be vastly improved to manage and re-route the traffic and in particular HGV's and farm vehicles? Because the so-called ban on heavy vehicles is clearly not working at present.

How soon will all SATNAV companies be instructed to divert traffic through the new road system?

252 Whichever site is chosen. We feel the realignment of the B4009 should be the first priority. There is a danger that once the development is realised, the badly needed new road will not be built. We need this new road NOW, even before any new development takes place. Heavy traffic should be banned from the town centre as soon as by pass is complete.

254 All new permissions should have some of the CIL contributions allocated to the relief road & all major permissions should be tied by legal agreement to the provision of the new road.
The introduction of traffic management to prevent/deter large vehicles using Couching Street/Shirburn Street is also essential
Pedestrianisation of part or all of the High Street should be an aim, providing adequate parking for residents & businesses can be found.

256 Plan well thought out, concern if lorries redirected through existing town to Lys Mill, as a lot of children cross this road for school and it is currently difficult to see from one side of the road.

271 HGV's should be eliminated from Watlington centre, except for HGV's loading and unloading the CO-op. If the re-aligned B4009 does not take the HGV's away from the centre, then the HGV limit should be changed to enforce this.

272 * I totally support this proposal

* I hope that the by-pass could be extended towards the Nettlebed Road via Copas Farm land to alleviate heavy traffic using the fragile Brook Street

274 Traffic to Lys Mill in particular must be encouraged to use new by pass, especially the large HGV's. Placing pinch points may assist

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283 Would suggest a 20 mph speed limit through Watlington Town Centre. More enforcement of HGV weight limits as lorries passing through the town ignore the weight limit signs.

Do not remove the parking allowed in Shirburn Street and Couching Street as this slows traffic. If removed vehicles will speed through the town

302 Given the fact that we already have traffic pressure and air pollution according to 2b there can be no development without delivery of the by-pass. Traffic management within the town has been shown to be ineffective and not applied or enforced.

We must not allow this to be used by developers any agreement must be based on successful outcome and not simple financial contribution.

312 - How would the HGV limit be improved? It's not at present.

- Traffic route proposed is still close & cutting through new housing - This seems short sighted and just moving the traffic problem elsewhere

315 Again any re-routing must be on the edge of any future development and not using Willow Close

Plus existing weight limit restrictions must be enforced. Approve of 20 mph limit to centre of town

323 2a Sounds wonderful BUT unless the weight limit is properly enforced with a camera policing system it will not improve the traffic problem

2b as above

2c As above but this time making sure the developer contributions actually come to fruition

338 Imperative Couching Street is made a no go area for HGV's and other heavy traffic excluding agricultural traffic

554 Re 5b - these need to be on or near the realigned B4009 and restrictions placed on the size of the lorries servicing them so that we don't have any of the monster size lorries that H & H are currently using

Re 5e Car parking essential for many existing residents as many houses built well before motors so no private parking for these properties so rely on public car parks