

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

15th July 2019

Spatial Planning
Wycombe District Council
Council Offices
Queen Victoria
High Wycombe
Buckinghamshire
HP11 1BB



Dear Sir,

Response to Consultation on Delay of Culverton Link - and the proposal to use Shootacre Lane and Picts Lane as an interim relief road.

I wish to submit this representation in regard to the Council proposal to use Shootacre Lane and Picts Lane as an interim relief road route.

I have lived in Goodearl Place for the past eighteen months. I am a Clergyman and a member of the Clergy Team of Saint Mary's Church, Princes Risborough.

The only access to the Church and Princes Risborough Town Centre from my home is via Picts Lane, it is therefore with some dismay and great concern to read what is currently being proposed.

I want to highlight the following concerns.

It is difficult enough to walk from our home through Picts Lane at the present time and I cannot envisage the greater risk for those who walk to the Railway Station on a daily basis to get their trains if the road has to accommodate HGV's in both directions. Really and truly this is wholly unacceptable and must not happen under any circumstances.

It is currently summer but imagine the horror of dark evenings and dark mornings with HGV's trundling along in both directions. To put it bluntly these proposals are an accident waiting to happen, and the creation of this interim relief road is the creation of an accident blackspot.

There will be a worrying increase in noise and air pollution.

There are a number of families with very young children living in the Goodearl development and a number of older people. The danger to both of these groupings and for their safety has to be of massive concern. Parents find it difficult to cross the road and wheel buggies along the very uneven footpaths in Picts lane.

Young families turn out on their bicycles and tricycles to enjoy the rural environment. They are enjoying family life but also, they are addressing health issues like obesity by keeping their children active. An increase in heavy traffic would constitute a great hazard for them.

There is often dangerous congestion at the junction of Picts Lane and Station Road. One has to walk on the footpath on the right-hand side and cross the road to get to the station. The congestion is mainly caused by large vehicles backed-up when trying to access the builders' suppliers' yard near the junction. It would have horrendous effects to add to these heavy vehicles.

W.E. Black are still developing this site where we live and therefore there is still considerable amount of heavy traffic coming onto site via Picts Lane. To add to this congestion would be an absolute nightmare.

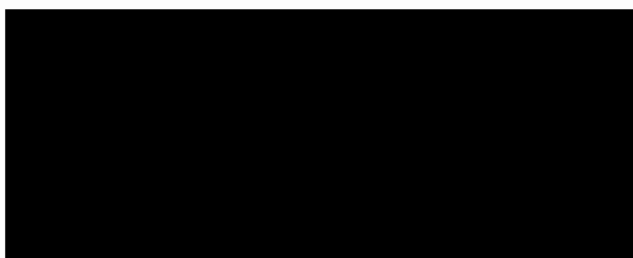
Just imagine the chaos caused for our wonderful Refuse Collection vehicles.

Surely it would make a great deal of common sense not to delay the construction of the Culverton Link.

In the light of the above concerns I really do fail to see how the proposals using Shootacre Lane and Picts Lane as an interim relief route meet the vision which has been set for the town to be modern, green and accessible, not to mention protecting the historic routes and settings of the Chiltern Hills.

I am most happy to discuss this submission at any time suitable to us either here on site or where you are based.

Yours sincerely

A large black rectangular redaction box covering the signature area.

The Reverend Michael Woodhall