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North Dorset District Council - Local Plan review

I understand that North Dorset are undertaking a review of the Local Plan and intending to produce a new Local Plan for the district, which will replace both the Local Plan (adopted in January 2003) and the Local Plan Part I (adopted in January 2016).

The new plan I believe has proposals to remove the protected route of the Shaftesbury by pass and given the recent publication of the DCC, Wiltshire Council and BANES report re investment in the A350 and the Strategic North – South road linkage, it seems to me that now is not the time to be reviewing this route protection.

Can I seek your assurance that this proposal will be shelved? Robert Syms, Michael Tomlinson and I are writing to the Secretary of State endorsing the County report and seeking a meeting with him. I believe this should be helpful in resisting any calls to remove the safeguard.

I am totally opposed to this proposal which would send a disastrous message to the local community whose long term aim is a bypass, and a confusing one to the Department for Transport.

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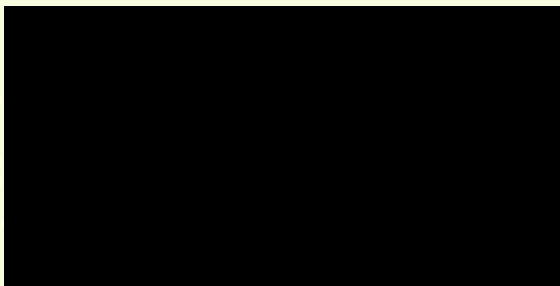
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*Dear Matt*

Please find enclosed a copy of a letter sent to Rt Hon Chris Grayling from Robert Syms, Michael Tomlinson and myself, as the three MPs with the A350 running through our constituencies.

We hope you will find this of interest. We will, of course, keep you updated of any progress and response from the Department for Transport.

Given this letter and the fluidity surrounding highways infrastructure and investment, I make the point again that now is not the time to be removing the protected route of the Shaftesbury bypass in the local plan.



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**Re: North-South Connectivity – M4 to the Port of Poole**

We wish to draw your attention to an interesting report commissioned by Dorset County Council (DCC), Wiltshire Council (WC) and Bath and North East Somerset Council (BANES) to build a case for better transport routes between the M4 and Dorset at the Port of Poole. These improvements have the support of the LEP, Chamber of Commerce and the Port Commissioners. Please find enclosed a copy of this for your information.

This report highlights the strategic importance of the A350 (which is routed through our constituencies) and the linkages of Poole to the M4 for the local economy. Current infrastructure linking the south coast to the M4 is holding back economic growth, job creation and proportionate development, all of which require a good road network.

As you will note from the enclosed, Dorset, Wiltshire and BANES councils are seeking a commitment from Government to commission a Strategic Study that further develops the economic case to a level of detail suitable for funding and delivery. As Members of Parliament representing three Dorset constituencies that would benefit hugely from this development, the proposal has our full support.

As published on the Dorset Councils website, Dorset For You, the economic study carried out by DCC, WC, BANES Council and partners in Poole identified the following potential gains:

- 1,400 new jobs generated annually;
- £16.5m in additional corporation tax revenues annually;
- £20.5bn generated to the economy;
- £342m additional GDP annually;
- increased revenue from personal income taxation;
- increase in economic output per worker;
- commercial goods reduced unit cost as journey times improve;
- dependent Development benefits (ie unlocking land value gain);
- tourism benefits.

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It goes without saying that these developments would lead to unquantifiable benefits to, not just Dorset, but the wider South West economy.

We hope you will look favourably at these proposals and would welcome your comments on the enclosed. Perhaps we could meet to discuss.

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