

Consultation replies received

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From: xxxxxxxx
Date: 4 October 2017 at 09:22
Subject: FAO xxxxx- Houlton link road
To: feedback@warwickshire.gov.uk

Dear xxxxxxxx

As a Clifton resident, living at the junction of Hillmorton Lane and South Road, Clifton, I am writing to you about the proposed prohibition of left and right turns on the new link road and Hillmorton Lane.

I am very happy with the prohibitions which prevent travelers exiting the link road to drive through Clifton.

However, currently, some of the residents in Hillmorton drive through Clifton to access e.g. the station or Elliotts Fields. The fastest routes on Google maps from parts of Hillmorton take drivers through Clifton. Such traffic could make use of the new link road if they were permitted when travelling north along Hillmorton Lane to turn left at the junction into the link road, and to turn right when travelling south along the link road into Hillmorton Lane.

Since I have lived in the village, traffic along Hillmorton Lane and through the village has increased, so any reduction in traffic could increase safety.

I would therefore appreciate it if you would consider removing the two turning prohibitions detailed above whilst retaining the remainder.

Thank you

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From: xxxxxxxx
Date: 5 October 2017 at 18:20
Subject: Houlton Link Road - Traffic Calming
To: xxxxxxxx

Mike,

As per the text in bold below, would you please allow traffic from Hilmorton Lane to turn left on the new link road towards Butlers Leap in order to lessen the amount of traffic Clifton will undoubtedly see if this measure is not provisioned for.

Thanks

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Have you contacted WCC to object to the fact that traffic from Hillmorton will not be able to turn left onto the Link Road towards Rugby yet? If things go ahead as currently planned then we will be seeing an increase in traffic through the village! Very short time left for response. Consultation closes tomorrow (6/10). It was advertised in the Observe about 3 weeks ago.

Please email xxxxxxxxxxx

to request that traffic travelling north towards Clifton on Hillmorton Lane should be able to turn left onto the Link Road towards Butler's Leap.

The developers of Houlton are paying for the traffic calming, and they are happy to put in a left turn. WCC are modelling the impact, but we do need them to receive lots of comments that the left turn is needed.

Thought we'd got all of this sorted ages ago!

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From: xxxxxxxxxxxx

Date: 5 October 2017 at 18:51

Subject:

To: xxxxxxxxxxxx

I would like to request that traffic travelling north towards Clifton on Hillmorton Lane should be able to turn left onto the Link Road towards Butler's Leap.

This will ease the traffic in the village to make it safer for the young school children.

Regards,

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From: xxxxxxxxxxxx

Date: 5 October 2017 at 19:34

Subject: Houlton Link Road Consultation

To: xxxxxxxx

Cc: xxxxxxxx

Hello xxxx

Here is my response to the above consultation in particular relating to the junctions at the bottom of Hillmorton Lane and Vicarage Hill. To have nothing stopping a turn up hill into Clifton at either of these junctions misses the point of the road. Traffic leakage through Clifton, which is proud of its village status, will make the route through the village incredibly busy and effectively means that the traffic from the development swallows the village of Clifton up. This traffic should be prevented or at least discouraged from using Clifton as a rat run and the link road used as a means for all traffic to travel to the Leicester Road and beyond.

Regards

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From: xxxxxxxxxxxx

Date: 5 October 2017 at 20:02

Subject: Butlers Leap / Link Road access

To: xxxxxxxx

Dear Sir,

I'm somewhat perplexed as a resident of Clifton Upon Dunsmore to read that the plans for the new link road from the Houlton development seem to have changed again.

The residents of Clifton are extremely concerned at the impact of this development on our environment and local community. The amount of additional traffic through the village is something we need to avoid for the safety of our many elderly residents and school children.

I've only heard about this tonight and that apparently the consultation was posted in the observer three weeks ago. Many of the residents in Clifton no longer receive the Observer and so this feels like an attempt to "bury bad news".

Therefore, please accept this email as an objection to the current plans and request that traffic travelling north towards Clifton on Hillmorton Lane should be able to turn left onto the Link Road towards Butler's Leap.

I understand the developers of Houlton who are paying for the traffic calming are happy to put in a left turn and it is WCC who are modelling the impact. As a council tax payer, surely it makes

sense for those causing the disruption to pay for the changes needed rather than us, the tax payer, picking up costs at a later date causing more disruption to residents.

Regards
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From: **xxxxxxx**
Date: 5 October 2017 at 20:14
Subject: Houlton link road
To: xxxxxxxx

Dear Sir,
It has been brought to my attention that traffic travelling north from Hillmorton on Hillmorton Lane will not be able to turn left onto the new link road towards Butler's Leap and Rugby.
I am writing to express my very strong concerns about the increase in traffic through the village of Clifton-upon-Dunsmore that this will inevitably result in.
I implore you to act now to rectify this serious misjudgement of planning and ensure that a left turn is incorporated into the road's construction.

Regards,
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From: **xxxxxxxxxxx**
Date: 5 October 2017 at 20:18
Subject: Looking link rd to butlers leap
To: xxxxxxxxxxxx

Hello,
I live in Clifton upon dunsmore and learn through the parish council that there is a constraint about to be implemented in the new link rd plans to prevent people travelling north on the hillmorton lane turning left towards butlers I leap.
I am concerned by this given it will obviously generate extra traffic through the village which is counter to the message I received through planning proposals, the highways agency and the developers.
Can I ask that you make sure that traffic travelling north can turn left off hillmorton lane towards butlers leap under the link rd proposals.
Regards,

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From: **xxxxxxx**
Date: 5 October 2017 at 20:27
Subject: Urgent please review new link road
To: xxxxxxxxxxxx

Dear xxxxx

With regards to the new link road, I would like to request that traffic travelling north towards Clifton on Hillmorton Lane should be able to turn left onto the Link Road towards Butler's Leap.

The current plans would result it even more traffic in our lovely village.

I look forward to hearing from you.

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From: **xxxxxxx**

Date: 5 October 2017 at 20:33

Subject: Link Road Crossing at Hillmorton Lane

To: xxxxxxx

Dear xxxxx

I'm writing to object to the fact that traffic from Hillmorton will not be able to turn left onto the Link Road towards Rugby. If things go ahead as currently planned then I'm concerned that there will be an increase in traffic through Clifton village.

I like to request that traffic travelling north towards Clifton on Hillmorton Lane should be able to turn left onto the Link Road towards Butler's Leap.

Yours sincerely

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From: **xxxxxxx**

Date: 5 October 2017 at 20:50

Subject: Traffic through Clifton

To: xxxxxxxx

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I have been given your email as a WCC contact regarding the traffic in Clifton Upon Dunsmore. We live on Rugby Road and every day I walk my three children to and from the local school. I am becoming increasingly nervous of walking along the road due to the increasing volume of traffic, the speed of the traffic (no one travelling through the village abides by the 30mph limit despite small children walking along the very narrow path next to the road), and, worst of all the large trucks which drive past - I saw a neighbour being very very narrowly missed by the wing mirror of a quarry truck who was travelling so quickly and so closely to the path that it made me shout out!).

Clifton Primary School and the adjacent Playgroup have very limited outside space and therefore frequently use the playing field opposite. I cannot believe that a crossing has not been installed to allow the children safely across the road without members of school staff having to risk their safety standing in the middle of the road.

Our village crossing lady, xxxxxx, is invaluable. I worry for her safety though as I have seen people fail to stop despite her being in the road and one driver a few months ago stopped when she was facing them, then speed off around her, almost knocking her over as soon as her back was turned to stop the oncoming traffic in the opposite direction!!

We need to control the traffic passing through the village quickly before a child, or adult, is hurt or killed.

It has come to my attention that in the plans for the new link road there is a question mark over the ability of vehicles traveling from Hillmorton being able to turn onto the new link road into Houlton. I think it would be hugely irresponsible of anyone to allow a further increase in traffic through the village for any reason whatsoever.

The only actions which should now be taken are to expedite the traffic calming in the village and ensure that all consented plans for the bypass divert as much through traffic away from Clifton and the village school.

I hope that you will be able to listen to my concerns and those of other villagers and help us to achieve a safe community for our children.

Kind regards

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From: xxxxxxxxxx

Date: 5 October 2017 at 21:25

Subject: Houlton link road comments

To: xxxxxxxxx

Good evening, xxxxxxxx

I'm writing to you to give my comments regarding the link road towards Rugby. As I understand it, there is no left turn planned currently.

I wish to express my concern at this and believe a left turn for cars traveling from Hillmorton to Rugby would only be a positive change.

I live on xxxxxxxx in Clifton (opposite the Hillmorton Road junction). It is already a busy road with cars and lorries using Clifton as a cut through, and makes it extremely difficult to exit our lane given the blind corner to the right. There have been a number of accidents on that stretch due to turning cars, but also because those cars that are cutting through are usually driving way above the speed limit.

This is a massive concern as the cars often speed past the school showing no concern for the number of children around.

I feel strongly that more should be done to reduce the traffic on these roads, and offering an alternative route into Rugby would only help with this. Therefore I would urge you to reconsider putting a left turn from Hillmorton to redirect the flow of traffic towards Rugby away from Clifton. It is also of prime importance that the proposed traffic calming measures are put in place (speed bumps and 20 mph limit) because it's only a matter of time before someone is hurt.

I hope you take my comments on board.

Kind regards

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From: xxxxxxxxxx

Date: 5 October 2017 at 22:09

Subject: Hillmorton Lane/Clifton/Houlton link road junction

To: xxxxxxxxx

Dear xxxxxxxx,

I'm writing to you to express my surprise regarding the junction on Hillmorton Lane, joining to the new link road to Butlers Leap.

It's come to my attention that traffic approaching the junction from Hillmorton will not be able to turn left on to the new road to get to Butlers Leap. This seems rather illogical to me and I cannot see a good reason for it. Surely common sense would dictate that the new road should do what it's designed to do and take traffic from that area to Butlers Leap and back.

If this 'no left turn' is enforced, not only will Hillmorton traffic continue to use Clifton (and especially South Road) as a main route to the station and surrounding businesses, there will also be a certain amount who will decide that it's quicker to turn into Houlton and do a u-turn to get onto the new road. I can see that behaviour quickly becoming irritating to the Houlton residents.

I understand that it's not too late to make the amendment to the design/implementation of the junction and allow traffic to turn left from Hillmorton. I would like to add my voice to those already recommending it.

Thank you,
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From: xxxxxxxx
Date: 6 October 2017 at 00:35
Subject: Traffic - new link road
To: xxxxxxxx

To whom it may concern,

I write to express my concern with the proposed plans for the new link road and the need for traffic to be able to turn left and avoid having to travel through Clifton village. Clifton as a village currently struggles to cope with the large volumes of traffic going through it on a regular basis. The current traffic especially during peak times brings areas of the village to a standstill. Having lived in the village for years it has seen a massive increase in the volume of traffic with the continued development of the borough, more worrying is the speed in which most traffic travel. South Road sees vehicles travelling at over 60mph when approaching the junction to Hillmorton Lane. As a parent of young children whose grandparents live at this point in the village, it is petrifying to think of what could happen.

I would really appreciate you considering the current situation and providing people with the opportunity to turn left and avoid travelling directly through the village.

Kind regards
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From: xxxxxxxx
Date: 6 October 2017 at 05:13
Subject: Resident xxxxxxxx
To: xxxxxxxxxx

Dear all,

As part of new developments I urgently request that traffic travelling north towards Clifton on Hillmorton Lane should be able to turn left onto the Link Road towards Butler's Leap.

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Clifton upon Dunsmore Parish Council

*Clerk to the Council
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5 October 2017

Mike McDonnell
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Dear Sir

Warwickshire County Council Link Road North Rugby - Prohibition of Right and Left Turns Order 2017

I am writing to you on behalf of Clifton upon Dunsmore Parish Council concerning the recent advertisement regarding the Traffic Regulations Order relating to junctions along the new Link Road from Houlton to Butler's Leap.

Clifton upon Dunsmore is used as a convenient rat run for traffic wanting to travel through Hillmorton to the college, M6, shops on Leicester Road etc. and recent discussions between our Borough Councillor and various officers of Warwickshire County Council had led us to believe that the left-hand turn for traffic travelling north on Hillmorton Lane towards Clifton would be able to turn left onto the link road to travel directly to Butler's Leap, thus removing this element of the traffic from the village.

Since the developers are paying for extensive traffic calming measures in Clifton to deter traffic from coming here, and they have no objection to a left hand turn to reduce traffic travelling through Clifton, it would seem perverse to prevent Hillmorton traffic from turning towards Rugby on the link road.

The Parish Council considers therefore, that item 3.2 (as per the advertisement in the Rugby Observer) should be removed from the traffic order.

Would you please confirm that this error will be rectified before the order is finalised?

Yours sincerely



Christine Lord
Clerk to Clifton upon Dunsmore Parish Council

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September 27, 2017

Mr. Mike McDonnell
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Dear Mr. McDonnell,

LINK ROAD NORTH RUGBY

PROHIBITION OF RIGHT AND LEFT TURNS ORDER 2017

I am writing to object to paras.1 and 2 of SCHEDULE 3 in the Public Notice placed in the September 14th issue of The Rugby Observer.

When we first moved onto Hillmorton Lane at Clifton upon Dunsmore in there was little traffic along the road. As soon as the road through Butlers Leap was opened we noticed a step change in the volume of traffic using Hillmorton Lane and that volume has been increasing rapidly ever since. At peak times the flow of traffic in any particular direction is almost continuous. We notice particularly the traffic either side of 6am, the shift change time for many of the warehouses surrounding Rugby.

It was our understanding that in addition to its main purpose of providing access to Rugby for the residents of Houlton, the Link Road, in conjunction with the traffic calming measures planned for the village was intended to take traffic pressure off of Clifton.

If the Junction of The Link Road and Hillmorton Lane goes ahead as described in we will see a further increase in traffic through Clifton upon Dunsmore as the next phase of the out of town shopping complex on Leicester Road is opened.

We ask you to reconsider the layout of this junction to allow traffic coming from the south of the borough travelling towards Rugby Station, the shopping complexes off Leicester Road and the industrial zone in Swift valley to be able to make use of the stretch of Link Road between Hillmorton Lane and Clifton Road, thereby bypassing the village of Clifton upon Dunsmore.

Yours sincerely,

[Redacted signature area]

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HILLMORTON LANE
CLIFTON-UPON-DUNSMORE
RUGBY

Monday, 02 October 2017

Link road North Rugby Prohibition of right and left turns order 2017

Dear Mr McDonnell

I am writing to object to paras. 1 & 2 in the public notices in the September 14th issue of the Rugby Observer

As a resident on Hillmorton Lane we have always been told at all public meetings that the link road was designed to take traffic pressures away from Clifton and get it to the Motorways and major roads without going through the village the above decision will just make matters worse as traffic will still use this route from Houlton and Hillmorton rather than travel. I strongly urge you to re think this decision and this junction right now rather than in a few years' time when the problem increases and it will cost the Tax payer and local councils considerably more money to rectify retrospectively.

I would also like you to reconsider all the traffic calming measures proposed for the village with so many councils planning to remove speed humps on environmental grounds the damage to vehicles and safety issues it seems very strange to be going so over the top with them. I have lived in Clifton all my life so know many residents and I have not meet one yet who is in support of them. As a local farmer also moving agricultural equipment to my land will become a real problem and potentially create another type of safety issue. Any Money being spent on these would be far better of being spent on a traffic crossing outside the village School

Yours Sincerely

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