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### MESSAGE

#### Email 10/11/2022.

I have forwarded my original letter to you. Nearly a year has passed without a reply . Pretty poor!!

I believe this proposal will create chaos in other residential roads in Coleshill. It will not stop 'Frustrated Drivers' as described in plans because too many drivers are Aggressive and Impatient. It moves the problem to other streets

Will I get a reply before Christmas 2023?

Email reminder from 09/12/2021:

Dear Sir/Madam

I have lived in Coleshill for 44years , just off the High St, and 30 yards from The Greenman Crossroads. I fully support any plans, ANYWHERE that improve SAFETY. I will try to be brief in response to these proposals.

Since being told of these changes a few weeks ago by my neighbours on the High St, I have been VERY surprised at how FEW PEOPLE know of them.

How many of the "FRUSTRATED DRIVERS" you speak of, for example? Can they read the proposals attached to the posts on the High St & by the crossroads? No! They can't see them from their cars, can they?

There is SO much detail on the sheet, I doubt if the average pedestrian is going out with a map to check on the co-ordinates of the changes either. In my opinion there has been very publicity about this major change to traffic flow.

My main concern is that this plan will move the issues to other roads and road junctions in Coleshill and, very importantly, to RESIDENTIAL STREETS with Families living in them.

CHURCH HILL is a SMALL road to be used as the 'RAT RUN' in this proposal. Its junction with the High ST is

#### TAO Felix Rwateng, Engineering Design Services

I would like to express in writing my multiple objections to the proposed Traffic Signal junction - B4114 Birmingham Road/High Street/Blythe Road.

Most objections are mainly for the ban on 'No Right Turn' procedures for following reasons:

# No right turn at junction of Birmingham Road (East) and High Street (South)

results in a lack of accessibility to businesses on the High Street. Furthermore any traffic wishing to gain access to High street will need to be directed down Parkfield Road/Park Road resulting in significant increases in volumes of traffic in these residential areas which already suffers with significant access issues due to parked cars and the need to access Coleshill C of E Primary School during term time/peak hours, therefore adding traffic to these roads becomes a safety risk to children crossing. As is stands there are already issues with backed up traffic on these roads as they are at times essentially single lane roads due to parked vehicles, therefore directing the traffic from the Birmingham Road in addition to the already strained infrastructure is, in my humble opinion, senseless. It is in fairness that I mention that the majority of all traffic does already travel via this route but to impose this is the only route is incredibly restrictive and does push all traffic, including HGV/Bus traffic via the side roads.

# No right turn at junction of High Street (South) and Birmingham Road (West).

Any traffic wishing to access the main arterial route from Coleshill to Birmingham will need to access this further up the High Street via Sumner Road. This brings in to note the above noted issues mentioned for Parkfield Road and Park Road.

Any extra traffic routed via Parkfield Road/Park Road results in significant increases in volumes of traffic in these residential areas which already suffers with significant access issues due to parked cars and the need to access Coleshill C of E Primary School during term time/peak hours, therefore adding traffic to these roads becomes a safety risk to children crossing.

Traffic may, instead of going further up High Street to Sumner Road, access Birmingham Road via Old Mill Road/High Bring Road/Colemeadow Road. These are densely populated residential areas which are narrow due to parked cars. Adding additional 'Main Road' traffic on the main arterial route out of Coleshill to <u>Birmingham should be considered a significant safety risk to the densely populated areas</u> I object to the proposals most strongly, the "no right turn" on all 4 approaches make no sense to local residents on the basis that they will cause traffic to be diverted onto unsuitable roads. As follows:

1) Traffic approaching north along High Street and intending to turn right onto Blythe Road will divert up Church Hill and join Blythe Road to the East of the crossroads. Church Hill is too narrow to take this volume of traffic safely. The right turn out of Church Hill onto Blythe Road is also hazardous because drivers are unsighted by the brow of the hill to the left.

2) Traffic approaching from the east along Blythe Road and intending to turn right onto High Street will have to go straight on and then most likely turn right onto Colemeadow Road and through the narrow estate roads onto High Street near the narrow river Cole bridge.

3) Traffic approaching from the north on High Street to turn right onto Birmingham Rd will either have to go straight ahead and through the town centre, or go north and use estate roads described in 2) to get to Birmingham Rd.

4) Traffic approaching from the west on Birmingham Rd and intending to turn right onto High Street will divert along Parkfield Road which is a narrow road and has parking along one side (parking is very limited in Coleshill). At times when roads have been closed the restricted flow along Parkfield has caused gridlock.

The above issues are serious road safety risks and cannot be ignored. Local residents made these points to the representatives at the public meetings previously but the designers appear to have totally disregarded these comments from people who live in Coleshill and use the road system.

#### пепо,

My name is Cllr Adam Richardson a Councillor but more importantly a resident of Coleshill,

I have seen the new plans for the Green Man crossroads in Coleshill,

While I approve that work HAS to be done at this rather busy intersection I still am opposed to the new current plan & I will state my objections below,

1 - No right turns because the lights will be 2 way controlled? Why? Surely the lights CAN be a 4 way controlled system, you stated at it adds 20 seconds on to a journey, wow 20 seconds must be harsh to be penalised over 20 seconds on a journey,

2 - No public consultation? Why? At the last meeting it was stipulated that this should & MUST be done with a PUBLIC meeting with those involved over it coming to Coleshill to hold a public session,

3 - No forward thinking of other road measures going in, why? We know that the Bridge & the A446 traffic island as what is still known to many as the police island are both set to have traffic measures in the not so distant future, in the form of lights, would this then not mean that when a 4 way controlled lights was thought of if wasn't taken into account that the flow would be eased from other directions?

4 - Is Church Hill being considered as a route through for ease of access? Why? Church hill cannot withstand the increase of traffic that it will have put upon it, it certainly cannot withstand 2 vehicles passing at Old School House, so whoever has been & looked & said it is fine hasn't tried to put two vans meeting at the top & I certainly hope it is retaining its weight restrictions on it,

5 - A closing date of 9th of December for objections? Why? Its a mere 3 weeks away give or take a couple of days, surely for such a huge project as it will be for the residents of Coleshill who I represent & wholeheartedly stand by & with this is inadequate for the 9000+ who live here to have their say, now we know not everyone will, however it simply is NOT good enough & I will certainly let my electorate know that I feel they have been let down by this decision for such a quick closing date,

In short you have still yet to listen to the towns people of this fine town & take their views into consideration & L Dear sir

Having seen the current plan and proposal ,words fail me, how absurd at this cross roads to suggest no right turn in any direction ,I live on Church Hill which is busy enough anyway and all the no right turns are going to cause is more traffic from several directions using Church Hill.what I fail to see is why on earth can't we have a straightforward 4 way traffic light system , without causing utter chaos,whoever dreamed this one up is certainly not a Coleshill resident .

This jnct/ crossroads as been a problem with accidents ongoing for the 40 years I have lived in Coleshill.

So with due respect I beg you to reconsider this absurdity and just implement a 4 way traffic light system.

Dear Mr Kwateng,

I am aware from personal experience that any proposals for change will always find opposition and that opponents of change always tend to be the most vocal. I am writing to register my support for the latest proposals for traffic lights at the Green Man crossroads.

I have lived in Coleshill for over sixty years and even as a child I remember the adults advocating traffic lights; and then, it should be noted, there was far less traffic. Hitherto there has always been some objection from the powers that be, however spurious, so nothing has been done while the problem gets worse.

As a former Town Councillor I was charged with exploring all the issues of parking and traffic movements through Coleshill. Everyone seemed to have a suggestion though the provision of traffic lights was the most frequently mentioned. Then, as now, no proposal seemed to gain universal approval. In any case the County Council could not find the funding and no progress was made.

I am delighted that there are now the resources to do the work and pleased that you have listened to the views of residents by modifying original proposal to allow left turns. It is clear to me that following the survey planners with experience, training and expertise have provided a workable solution to a problem that has existed in the town for decades.

The proposal now also now provides for safe crossing for pedestrians. This is a real bonus especially for people with limited mobility and parents with pushchairs.

I do hope that you will go ahead with the scheme. Dear sir.

I do not agree that there will be no right turns at Colehill Cross Roads, after seeing your plans of 'Proposed Traffic Signal Junction'.

I have lived in this house (which looks directly up to Church Hill) over 50 years and although there are queues of traffic at normal busy times on the whole traffic flows nicely and there are not that many 'accidents' at the cross roads.

Did you sit in Patregus Coffee Shop to see how many vehicles want to turn right? I for one go down the hill regularly.

Can we not have 4-way traffic lights and go all ways?

I hope more thought will go into your difficult dilemma and that a public meeting will be arranged before starting

COMMS TOPIC	<b>METHOD</b> (EMAIL, WEB, PHONE, LETTER)	REASONS FOR OBJECTION
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Support	Email	
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RESPONSE & ACTIONS	NOTES	<b>ATTITUDE</b> (POSITIVE, NEUTRAL, NEGATIVE)
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ENQUIRY RESOLVED Open or Closed	
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