

FARTHINGHOE PARISH COUNCIL RESPONSE TO PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION ROUTE FOR COPSE LODGE SOLAR FARM.

Dear Sangeeta

We object to the use of this route for very good reason because we believe insufficient thought has been given to the consequences

No one has any idea exactly when these installation deliveries will actually take place and that includes the applicant whom we believe has every intention to sell this project to a third party who will take responsibility for the material specifications along with the installation and operation

This was actually admitted during a visit of a senior executive to Greatworth

It is highly likely that these movements on the B4525 will be concurrent with the deliveries to the Drovers Lane Solar Farm, already approved, along with the heavy usage period of the B4525 by HS2 Construction traffic

This would add to the pressure for a considerable migration of EXISTING B4525 traffic to the A422 and as WNC Highways well knows that the A422 would be unable to cope with this without a Farthinghoe bypass being in place and being operational.

Northants County Council highways were clearly very aware of this potential problem in 2015 as it had been mentioned it in their Farthinghoe Bypass Cabinet report.

Subsequently they have admitted that they were unable to protect us in any way because the regulations did not enable them to challenge HS2 and therefore they took no action

This admission was actually made in an email sent to Rt Hon Dame Andrea Leadsom MP

It seems that the A422 is to be treated as a sponge which has to absorb anything which is thrown at it until it breaches breaking point which it is close to doing

Now it seems that WNC Highways may choose to try adding this to our worst nightmare

The foregoing could be added to substantially when West Northants Council considers a large Logistics Warehousing Complex at Stony Stratford, Cherwell Council considers numerous Logistics Warehousing Complexes at J11 of the M40, Milton Keynes Council is also considering numerous Logistics warehouses. All of this warehousing is all very adjacent to the A422/A421 Corridor with the potential to add considerably to the HGV traffic which reaches the notorious pinch-point on the A422 at Farthinghoe

Farthinghoe Parish Council would ask you to think very carefully about this potential nightmare

You can make this decision at the comfort of your desks; we have to live with it if and when it transpires

Rgds  
Cllr Mick Morris

Chairman--Farthinghoe Parish Council

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