

1st Dec 11

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Dear Mr Banks,

Prior to the Examination, I want to reinforce the most significant area of FoBRA's concern, and one where we feel the Draft Core Strategy is both unsound and illegal, which is traffic congestion (and the consequent pollution). I should be grateful if you would draw this to the Inspector's attention.

Accordingly, I enclose:

- The most recent note we submitted to B&NES, dated 14th Oct 11, and particularly on PC51 as amended. I am sure you have this but I just wish to emphasise its purpose, which is to have the document (and hence the Council) amended to recognize that (a) the actual volume of traffic has to be reduced and (b) measures have to be in the Plan to accomplish this. Unless this happens the pollution (not to mention the congestion) will continue to be at dangerous levels.
- The Council's 2009/10 chart of Nitrogen Dioxide concentrations which shows that, along nearly all the main streets, it is above the legal limit. We are told that it is now even worse.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely

Robin Kerr, Secretary

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