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Hi there,

We recently attended the consulation at Berkeley Town Hall on 11th January and are writing to raise our concerns about what the proposed new town between Sharpness and Berkeley will do to the traffic on the roads past our house.

We live on the corner of Alkington Lane/B4066, just up from Cattle Country. We already have to deal with a high amount of traffic passing our house, a lot of which is artic lorry's.

Access to the A38 from new town / houses and volume of traffic on roads will considerably increase the amount of traffic directly past our house. This has already been identified as a concern currently, let alone when the traffic of 5000 new homes will be further straining the roads. Every household will have an average of 2 cars so 10,000 more cars on the road potentially using the B4066 and Alkington Lane past our house. Just building houses and expecting the current road network to sustain it is not a way forward.

The existing roads cannot manage all this additional traffic alone. There should be another way to access to A38 added to the plan further up towards Breadstone, otherwise all this traffic passes our front door.

Amount of traffic but also speed along the roads needs to be addressed please! Already potentially fatal accidents with current traffic - one wrote off a car in the lower high street and one (involving children) crashed through our front wall in 2019. Speed cameras and speed bumps should be put in along the B4066 to address safety and speed issues as well as speed issues with cars heading into Berkeley, which we have raised alongside others at Town Council meetings.

Another note is the added traffic this will add to the M5 Falfield junction, which is already horrendous at peak commuting times. Has another thought been given to discussing this issue with South Gloucestershire Council at all about the added traffic, not just the Berkeley cluster but all the new homes in this local plan will traffic in and out of Stroud district and South Gloucestershire?

Regards,