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With respect to the proposed development at Sharpness of an additional 5000 dwellings, I wish to draw to your attention the issue of traffic on the bypass. I am a regular cyclist, occasionally I use the Sharpness bypass but generally avoid it due to the large amount of lorries using it. It already feels extremely unsafe. (You should try it) The lorry numbers will soon increase considerably with Howard Tenens warehouse planned growth. Your development includes 7 hectares of employment which will also increase commercial vehicles using the bypass, and with your development of 5000 dwellings could add as much as 5000+ additional vehicles per day. Unless you can separate them, the lorries will have to travel past much of the proposed housing, before reaching their destination.

Together with the development's own daily traffic load of what must be 5000 cars, this combination makes me very concerned about safety of pedestrians and in particular cyclists. I am aware the developers claim they will enhance cycling facilities, we all know they rarely deliver on promises like this.

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