

On 1/06/2015 14:33, Chris Riley wrote:

Dear Margaret

Thank you for your recent email. Unfortunately I believe that there may have some slight issue on the context of my comment have been portrayed.

As local Highway Authority we are consulted by the Planning Authority on major developments. Once the consultation is received by our development management team (Michael Glaze in this instance) a process of internal consultation occurs. It is typically at this point I become involved or am offered an opportunity to comment.

In this case I have raised concern over any additional traffic using Church Rd Leckhampton due to the narrow and winding nature of the road. My concern is based on my own observations of issues on Church Rd as well as concerns which have been raised to me by both local residents, the Primary school and the Parish Council. My view is that Church Rd is currently operating above it's actual capacity; this view is not based on data or statistical analysis but on observed issues relating to congestion alone which can be witnessed on a daily basis. Congestion combined with other issues such as traffic volume making it difficult to cross the road for parents with children and the morning peak, road width and on street parking leading to vehicles mounting the footway and causing damage to parked cars all lead me to believe that any increase in traffic will make all of these issues worse.

My comments form part of an internal consultation which may then be used to as part of the formal response from GCC as Highway Authority, however my comments cannot be seen as a formal objection as I have not made these comments on behalf of the Highway Authority, as such concerns, valid as they may be in my own opinion, do not take into account the wider strategic aims of the county council or other factor which may fall outside my area of expertise.

I hope that this clarifies my position.

Regards Chris Riley emailed 1st June 2015

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From: **Ian (Bitworks - Cheltenham)** <Ian@bitworks-engineering.co.uk>

Date: Mon, Jun 8, 2015 at 12:03 PM

Subject: REDROW 370 on Leckhampton

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Dear Michael,

Just wanted to follow up on the public meeting, thanks for the support very much appreciated, we are still working on pulling together all the previous traffic surveys. It occurred to me that you may not have seen the summary of the Highways/Inspectorate analysis and rulings over the last twenty years, it is this

evidence and everyday experience on Church Rd which makes the residents so anxious about additional traffic, [published here](#), please see part 3 and reference 6 on the individual rulings, and this is the [general evidence/news page](#).

One of our Borough Councillors who was at the public meeting has been working with the Leckhampton Primary School Safety Officer, following the National Guidelines (November 2013) to produce a 30-minute count of child pedestrians (P) and vehicles (V), we have been told the PV² factor at the busiest time of day is a strong indicator of highway safety and pedestrians, particularly children getting to school safely.

These were the results given to us from the school:

- the existing School Crossing Patrol on Church Road (covering the Leckhampton Primary School) worst case reading for pedestrians and vehicles is 34.79 million (assessment in Jan 2013), which is 770% greater than the 4 million trigger point that justifies having a patrol
- this School Crossing Point is in the top quarter of busy sites for the 65 patrol crossing points around Gloucester

We are getting our traffic consultants ENTRAN to look at the detail and get some more professional surveys completed, this will be in conjunction with the Parish Council.

We do hope Chris Riley's views will be taken into account when making your judgement, he has made many visits to Leckhampton and has let us know his professional judgement of the current congestion and safety issues on Church Rd. We know that some development is likely on the Leckhampton Ln /REDROW site and maybe the Highways Team can make that work, but currently it is over dense with very little green space, this view is supported by [CBC in their objection letter](#).

Best Regards
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