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### M4 relief road "Black Route" scheme

Dear sir,

I would like to inform you that as a resident of Magor, I have been very impressed with the way Welsh Government has conducted the consultation with the potentially affected residents. Also the information provided at the various exhibitions the information on-line has been excellent.

As such my original concerns have been largely removed and that **I am now very much in favour of the above scheme** and urge Welsh Government to proceed with it as soon as possible.

In my view it is the correct and long term solution to resolve the problem of the 'constricted artery' at Newport and it will be a solution that will benefit not only the local area but the whole of South Wales. It will encourage inward investment and help provide jobs for the people of South Wales

I have only 3 comments that I would ask you to consider if sufficient has been done or planned

1. Has enough been done to provide 'active travel' alternatives when lanes and paths have been altered or 'stopped up' as a result of the path of the new motorway? This should be done as a part of the project cost (not have to be borne by local council tax payers at a later date)
2. Has enough been done to provide shielding from the traffic noise for residents that are upwind of the prevailing wind direction? I would like to be assured that there will be plenty of trees planted, in addition to the normal sound limiting barriers, to the West / South West of Magor.
3. Has enough thought been put into minimising impacts to the local population during construction? This is the least of my concerns though as I believe a little disruption for a period will be well worth it for the eventual result

Thank you for inviting comment. I trust this is the sort of response you are looking for?

Yours faithfully

Paul Turner