

Wiltshire Council

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Item 10 – Wiltshire Local Plan Review

**From Lucie Castleman, Representative of the Hilperton Area Action Group
(HAAG)**

**To Cllr Nick Botterill – Cabinet Member for Finance, Development Management
and Strategic Planning**

Preamble

Transport strategy refresh document states that interventions are considered as part of future growth yet the strategic route B3105 is not even mentioned in any part of The Local Plan.

If the site north of Hilperton is selected for future development and, in the absence of a single comprehensive masterplan, infrastructure and mitigation requirements for land north of Trowbridge, completely fail to acknowledge the recognised need for a Staverton Bypass.

Whilst certainty of growth for the town is guaranteed, further growth of the allocation extending into the next plan period provides no guarantee, only aspiration of the provision of much needed local infrastructure such as the Staverton Diversion.

Question (P23-18)

What guarantees can you give that a permanent solution to the Staverton crossing will be found within the lifetime of this plan when other priorities such as the provision of a secondary school and Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspaces will take precedence?

Response:

The sensitivity of the highway network around Staverton is recognised. Any development that has a negative impact will be expected to be mitigated at the cost of the developer as part of the planning process.