Norton Radstock Regeneration Company was set up by Bath and NE Somerset and the Regional Development Agency to find ways of redeveloping the redundant railway lands in a manner that would increase opportunities for housing and employment within the town and bring the heart back into the town centre.

In the years following the decline of the mining and associated railway activity there has been little investment in the infrastructure of the town, to cope with the rapidly growing levels of car and lorry traffic passing through it. We therefore welcome this proposal to improve the traffic flow and thereby improve the air quality within the town.

However this must not be the full story of the transport improvements: as traffic levels grow there will need to be further investment in reducing the amount of through traffic, while developing and promoting less carbon-emitting methods of travel and connections within the town, and we look forward to working with your Transport department to identify these..

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