BATH & NE SOMERSET FULL COUNCIL - 12th December 2015

Questions from the Public

From Bryn Jones Chair, Transition Larkhall

To all Members of Council

This Suggestion Could Save You Money

P&R at Bathampton has become a political totem but different kinds of measures are needed to reduce congestion and poor air quality on A4/London Rd into Bath.

- 1) The council's best estimate is that the P&R could eliminate between 7% and 10% of vehicle journeys but suppressed demand means some replacement by others exploiting the extra road capacity.
- 2) A simpler and cheapest alternatives is safer cycling infrastructure between Batheaston and central Bath.
- 3) Nationally, up to 28% say they would like to switch to cycling and safe protected cycle lanes would lead 80% of these actually to do so http://www.sustrans.org.uk/bike-life/overall-survey
- 4) At present 12% of commuters cycle from the Locksbrook area west of Bath compared to 5% from Lambridge in the East. Why the difference? Because Locksbrook has a protected cycle path along the river towpath. Lambridge has the London Rd.
- 5) BaNES' proposed contribution to the Bathampton P&R is £8 million; to remove, maybe 1,500 of the 20,000 vehicles using London Rd each day.
- 6) For a fraction of this cost (below £1 million) a protected cycle lane on the A4 London Rd. would encourage up to 28% of drivers to cycle from the residential areas between Batheaston and Cleveland Place.

Cut costs! Cut air pollution! Get commuters cycling!

Put protected cycling on London Road!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND ATTENTION