

## Faye Dicker statement

I am a resident of Whitchurch Village in Banes.

The village has been under the JSP threat of thousands of houses within the green belt. Thankfully the planning inspectors have turned down these proposals, which was of great comfort to thousands of residents.

In November last year, I set up the South Bristol Wrong Road group, following a public meeting called by my local councillor Cllr Paul May. We now have 2700 active members, who are all impacted by the proposal of the South Bristol Ring Road - which in turn is being proposed to support the proposed housing.

I wish to ask the council to listen to our community and remove the threat of housing blight that has arisen from the JSP proposals and stop the idea of a new 2 mile long road from Keynsham to South Bristol, otherwise known as the South Bristol Ring road.

If the ring road goes ahead, the knock on effect will cause irreversible damage. With extra traffic on a ring road, it will result in drivers looking for rat runs nearby and spreading the pollution. May I spell it out, rat runs would ruin Whitchurch Village, Queen Charlton and all modes of transport wanting between Bristol and Bath.

This is an outdated proposal. It is a backwards step to create yet another road through our beautiful green belt. Worse still, it would then be discharging through a housing estate and past the primary school my children attend. If this road goes ahead, I will no longer be able to cycle my daughters to school, as our route will become a ring road, carving up the village.

It is completely contrary to modern ways of dealing with the climate emergency.

There are long standing reserved more sensible routes for access within Bristol which can be used for cycling, walking and buses without destroying greenbelt.

If the council start the whole process again without withdrawing the threat to my village, this will be viewed as a major negative response.

The proposed houses have no workable infrastructure or employment. This means people will have to travel to work, using their car - at a time when we are in a climate emergency.

The previous council never listened despite so called consultation, but you are new and you can make decisions which will make us all proud of you. You can make a difference to our future and have a positive impact on the next generation.

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