

Headline: The Hereford Bypass

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By 2022 a Bypass to the West of Hereford is planned for construction. There are 7 proposed routes which will be narrowed down to one. Although many people are against the Bypass, there are many who support it as well, as they think that a bypass will help the traffic situation in the city centre.

We interviewed a member of the public who is against the Hereford Bypass, and their response to its development was, "No, because of the 6,500 planned houses alongside the bypass will generally create more traffic in the city centre." When we asked them what their concerns were they said "I'm concerned with the pollution, noise, and the disruption in the scenery. Also I know most neighbours are worried about devaluation of their houses and compulsory purchases. But I am most concerned about having to live next to the construction for 10 years and not being able to sell."



After doing some research we found out that one of the routes wants to go through Drovers woods. This will have a massive impact on the wildlife.

We also interviewed a member of the construction team who supplied us with many advantages of the new Bypass. We asked what some of the positives were: "It will improve air quality, reduce journey times, ensure people can get across Hereford quicker and enable construction of 6,000 homes." We also asked what would happen to any spare land: "We are unsure at the moment but there are ideas about more housing and more business units."



For each route, around 6 houses will have to be demolished, however many people are more worried about living next to a bypass and their house devaluating, and not being able to sell.

In many information leaflets there is planning that there will more houses built alongside the bypass, this would attract more families to come to Hereford. However, because of the new houses there will also need to be more schools and hospitals; if not, it may lead to more people

coming into the city centre.

