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# THE BRIDLEWAY

(INCLUDING TEMPLAR DRIVE & KNIGHTS ROAD)

## BBAG COMMUNITY IMPACT GUIDE

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# THE BRIDLEWAY

## EXISTING

The Bridleway is a very quiet narrow residential cul-de-sac leading to Templar Drive and Knights Road. All the housing is virtually brand new and many of these houses have been sold by developers while discussions were ongoing with Warwickshire County Council to open up the bridge to traffic. The residents in this area probably have the most to lose and biggest impact of anyone in Nuneaton from this scheme. The houses on the Bridleway are built right up against the road in what is currently a very quiet street with little traffic and no road traffic accidents. It provides a fantastic sustainable walking and cycling route to Bermuda Park Industrial Estate while the street is popular with children playing out and also provides access to the Bermuda Phoenix Community Centre, a playground and sports facilities.

## FUTURE?

**The Bridleway will form the backbone of Nuneaton's Western Bypass created by the opening of Bermuda Bridge to traffic.**

Funneling massive amounts of commuter and freight traffic off the A444 past the front doors of family starter homes will destroy the quiet community that to date has been carefully created (the area has recently been shortlisted for two regeneration awards!). The speed of traffic that will be come directly off the M6 and A444 past the industrial premises and down the steep bridge approach into the heavily residential Bridleway is unthinkable. There will be a massive increase in accidents, air and noise pollution and significant impacts on human health with the full impacts too numerous to mention in this note.

The houses are also built next to an old landfill that is noted by the Environmental Agency to contain 'special waste'. Developing the new road will expose residents to potentially harmful chemicals and waste. In addition to all these problems a key outcome of the bridge is to allow developers to build 1000s of new homes off Harefield Lane accessed from The Bridleway of as part of the 'unapproved' Borough Plan'.

## PUBLIC CONSULTATION

There are no consultations being held along the 'rat runs' created by the Bermuda Connectivity Project. 23000 homes are being leafleted which indicates the level of traffic likely if the scheme goes ahead.

**Please get involved in the public consultation and have your voice heard.** Our website contains rebuttals against the scheme benefits:

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### EXISTING:

- *Narrow residential street with on-street parking.*
- *Popular walking and cycling route to Bermuda Park and Community Centre.*
- *No traffic calming or accident problems.*



### FUTURE:

- *Significantly higher levels of traffic and high vehicle speeds from commuter traffic.*
- *Significantly reduced property value.*
- *Significant increase in road traffic accidents with the possibility of serious injuries or fatalities.*
- *Dangerous for children to play out and the elderly to cross the road leading to community severance.*
- *Increased noise.*
- *Increased vibration.*
- *Increased pollution.*
- *Exposure to 'Special Waste' during construction.*
- *Loss of views and privacy from the new road embankment.*
- *Loss of wildlife habitat and ecology to make way for the new road.*
- *Reconstruction of the road for HGV traffic.*

**Accident**