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WHITTLEFORD ROAD / BUCKS HILL

BBAG COMMUNITY IMPACT GUIDE

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WHITTLEFORD ROAD/BUCKS HILL

EXISTING

Whittleford Road / Bucks Hill is already a busy route from Stockingford to Hartshill. It is mainly residential with parking restrictions in areas and where these are not present parking occurs and narrows the road. It already has intermittent traffic calming which has previously been introduced due to significant traffic related problems caused by the existing volume and speed of traffic. Statistics from Crashmap.co.uk show that despite the traffic calming the road still has a high rate of accidents along its length at and the mini roundabout junctions. Traffic calming has recently been installed on the estate roads leading off Whittleford Road and Bucks Hill due to persistent speeding problems.

FUTURE?

Whittleford Road will form part of Nuneaton's Western Bypass created by the opening of Bermuda Bridge to traffic. The Bermuda Connection will divert traffic that currently travels from Hartshill and Camp Hill via the Town Centre onto this street thereby adding to existing traffic and accident problems. This traffic will be looking to find 'rat runs' along Church Road, Westbury Road or Northumberland Avenue to access Bermuda Road towards the A444, M6 Motorway and Coventry. There are no mitigations for Whittleford Road which will suffer from even higher traffic flows which will also contribute to air and noise pollution including an increase in harmful particulate matter.

The hidden agenda of the bridge is to allow developers to build a mega housing estate of between 1500 and 2000 homes on green belt land at Arbury View as part of the 'unapproved' Borough Plan'. Other new housing developments are planned in Galley Common too. This will lead to significant pressure on local amenities including schools, doctors and dental surgeries. The development traffic generated as a result of the scheme will make the situation worse that it currently is.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

There are no consultations being held along the 'rat runs' created by the Bermuda Connection apart from Whittleford Road. The fact that 23000 homes are being leafleted should raise alarm bells of the level of traffic that you can expect to be using your street if the scheme goes ahead. **Please ensure you get involved in the public consultation and have your voice heard.** Our website contains detailed rebuttals against the claimed scheme benefits:

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CURRENT:

- *Shortcut to Town & Arbury Ward.*
- *Residential road with on-street parking and limited parking restrictions.*
- *Speed humps & traffic calming.*
- *High accident rate.*



FUTURE

- *Still a shortcut to Town & Greenmoor Road and a new 'rat run' from Hartshill and Camp Hill to A444 and M6.*
- *Higher levels of traffic.*
- *More difficult and dangerous for children and vulnerable road users to cross the street.*
- *Increased number of road accidents.*
- *Increased noise.*
- *Increased vibration.*
- *Increased pollution.*
- *Increased likelihood of damage to parked cars.*

