

**HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 3
MARCH 2022 MAJOR ROAD NETWORK - IDENTIFICATION OF THE NEXT
PRIORITY CORRIDOR**

As one of the three District ward members, Leader of Harborough District Council and as a local resident in Kibworths ward, the fact that our community has not already been by-passed is an anomaly and historical oversight by Government, that the County Council should now be placing the very highest priority on resolving. As residents and businesses of Kibworth's ward and my own Market Harborough West and Foxton division know, when any works or accidents occur on the A6 corridor in the centre of Kibworth, the impact and disruption to tens of thousands of travellers is immense and there is significant impact on productivity across a wide spread area.

Kibworth's ward has already taken in the last 15 years nearly 1,500 homes, with no palpable improvements to the A6. Speeding traffic is a constant issue due to the different speed zones. Air pollution has reached the point where HDC had to declare only the second Air Improvement Action area, the other being Lutterworth Town centre.

As Dr Feltham has pointed out the volume of traffic using the A6 through Kibworth already triggers the criteria for this route to be on the MRN, I implore members of the Committee to recommend to LCC officials that this be reviewed and placed in the highest category. I have cc'd in my two district ward colleagues for information and I hope that they will write to you before the meeting adding their support also.

Many thanks

Phil King
County Councillor for
Market Harborough West and Foxton

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