

BYPASS NOT A27 THROUGHPASS UPDATE TO MEMBERS

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Message from Jack Delbridge, Chair of the group.

Welcome to e-updatenumber fifteen.

Events to attend

Monday 4 September - 7pm – Lancing Parish Hall

East Worthing and Shoreham MP has organised a public meeting to discuss Highways England's proposal for changing the A27 and also the proposal to develop New Monks Farm near Lancing with an IKEA, a new school along with 600 new homes and huge impact this would have on traffic flow on the A27. You may wish to attend. Further details can be found on the Herald's website at <http://www.worthingherald.co.uk/news/opinion/tim-loughton-more-outdoor-events-for-the-community-needed-1-8096371>

Tuesday 5 September - 7.30pm, Vale School, Findon Valley

High Salvington and Findon Valley Residents Associations' have arranged a meeting to discuss the proposed changes to the A27 and the Associations' response. If you are a member of these organisations, do go along to make your voice heard.

Further details are available from the High Salvington Residents Association website at http://hsra.weebly.com/uploads/5/3/4/9/53496627/a27_poster_-_website_version.pdf

Public Consultation from Highways England on One Option to change the A27

Highways England continues with its consultation about the A27 Worthing and Lancing improvements changes scheme. The last day for comments will be Tuesday 12 September 2017.

Information about the changes are available on:

- Internet: <https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/a27-worthing-and-lancing-improvement/>
- Public libraries – details were in the letter from Highways England
- Consultation events - details of the remaining events are listed below.

Date	Time	Location	Address
Tuesday 15 August	1pm to 8pm	Richmond Room, Worthing Assembly Hall	Stoke Abbott Road, Worthing, BN11 1HQ
Wednesday 16 August	1pm to 8pm	Harriet Johnson Centre	Old School House, Loose Lane, Sompting, BN15 0BG
Saturday 2 September	10am to 2pm	Richmond Room, Worthing Assembly Hall	Stoke Abbott Road, Worthing, BN11 1HQ

Wednesday 6 September	2pm to 8pm	Field Place Manor House	The Boulevard, Worthing, BN13 1NP
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Please do your very best to attend at least one of the consultation events in the Worthing and Lancing area or at least check the information online or obtain the brochure and form from one of the local libraries. Please ensure you obtain a Consultation Form at the event or from a library or complete an online form. It's quite a long and detailed form, so we recommend that you take care as you fill it in and answer all the questions. If you feel, as the committee feels, that this only option would make a bad situation worse, please ensure that the feedback form is completed and returned. It is only by enough people sending in feedback that this proposal will be stopped. Please don't just assume that the proposal will go away if you do nothing.

The committee believe that going ahead with the proposed option would be a pointless exercise and will not help to improve the A27. It's worth reflecting on what could have been. The option we could be looking at could easily have been one consisting of four lanes through the heart of Worthing. Hard work by our group may have contributed to us not being confronted with that alarming possibility.

Can you help?

We are eager to continue to raise our profile and handing out leaflets and informing people who attend the consultation events about the group is a way we can do this. If you're available to give out some business cards and sign up new members outside the consultation events, (dates and times listed above), please let us know by email at roadstopp@gmail.com or by post at Bypass Not A27 Throughpass, PO Box 4989, WORTHING, West Sussex, BN11 9AJ

Proposed Development at New Monks Farm, Lancing

Planning Permission is being requested for an IKEA superstore with parking, 600 homes, a country park, a new school (located right beside the A27 with the consequential pollution), a new traffic light controlled roundabout to replace the Sussex Pad lights. If these plans go ahead, expect even worse traffic chaos.

The full set of plans are now available on Adur and Worthing Councils' planning portal. If you don't want even more traffic chaos in this area, you need to comment on the plans. You can do so online through the Adur and Worthing Councils' planning portal.

<https://planning.adur-worthing.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=ORUFT5CB04U00>

Further information can be found at:

<http://www.worthingherald.co.uk/news/residents-urged-to-have-their-say-on-new-monks-farm-plans-1-8080729>

<http://www.worthingherald.co.uk/news/latest-on-plans-for-600-homes-in-lancing-1-8042631>

Members' Meeting

As you will have seen from the first part of this update, 2 meetings are being held in early September which will provide opportunities for everyone to have their say and your committee feel that these will be of greater benefit than a members' meeting so we're putting a members' meeting on hold for now.

Subscriptions

To enable us to continue our campaign, the need for a proper bypass / relief road remains and current plans do nothing to suggest an improvement, we rely on the generosity of our members by joining us along with any donations we receive.

Many members' subscriptions will become due for renewal soon – if your membership is due, it would be very much appreciated if you would kindly renew. You can use the same form for joining the group available on our website

<https://www.bypassnota27throughpass.org/>

It's easy to pay by bank transfer. You can transfer your renewal fee of £5 to Account Number 81634722 Sort Code 600338 and include your name and the word renewal in the Reference line.

Our Membership Secretary will be contact with you closer to your renewal date. We are also eager to recruit new members, so please spread the word and encourage people to join us.

Jack