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To Whom It Concerns

I am writing to oppose the ridiculous plan to upgrade Rough Common Road to take traffic away from the City Centre to proposed by-passes. To the person/s who put forward this idea, and also divide Canterbury into zones, trying to boost their ego, move off to another area to spoil things there, and leave many people distressed! It is bad enough trying to get off the side roads and actually cross the road. Have they thought about the people living here, elderly people crossing the road, children and younger people all of whom will be in danger. It is difficult at times to do this especially with traffic tearing through the village at the wrong speed. It will cut the village in half and cause chaos on the Whitstable road which already gets busy. Perhaps the idea is to destroy people's homes to build bridges which not everyone would be able to negotiate.

The Parish Council and volunteers have greatly improved the look of the area by planting trees, having

semi pullins and putting plant containers in places, which are regularly maintained and planted up according to the season. This cheers people up so will this also be destroyed?

Do they expect people to give up their gardens to park their cars and lots of families have more than one car so where are they going to park them. Would they give up their own but this would not effect them as they live elsewhere. The buses no longer come through the village and our transport is a Karrier bus for a few hours a week for people unable to walk to the main road.

It would be interesting to know whether these people use pricey car parks, perhaps being on the council they claim for this and that. Some of the car parks are closing possibly to build on.

Finally Canterbury is famous for its Cathedral and has many old buildings, etc. so we should be encouraging visitors and not sting them with high prices.

Yours faithfully

