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See Steve,

RE: OBJECTION TO PROPOSED M4 LINK ROAD THROUGH PUCKLECHURCH

I am writing to outline my objection to the speculative option to build an M4 Link Road through Pucklechurch to create Junction 18A as part of the study in to the M4 Link.

I am sure you are aware that I personally secured the £500,000 need for the study from the Treasury, and built my case around an M4 Link at the Ring Road in Emersons Green, serving the Bristol and Bath Science Park and the growing community of Lyde Green.

I have been campaigning alongside local residents and Councillors for an M4 Link Road at Emersons Green since I was first elected as the local MP for Kingswood in 2010. During that time I have consistently argued the reasons why a link road should be built and why that road should be built in Emersons Green. I have no doubt Junction 18A will help to ease congestion currently faced by local residents and will bring with it further business and investment in to our area. That is why I worked so hard to secure the £500,000 needed from Government for this study.

I do, however, object to any proposal which sees the Link Road built through Pucklechurch. It makes no sense to build through the Green Belt here when there are areas of land behind the Bristol and Bath Science Park, or at the Willy Wicket junction, where the ring road and the M4 are already effectively touching.

Yours sincerely,
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