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Dear Mr Kemp

**Re: Swindon Borough Council Local Development Framework Central Area Action Plan Examination.
Wroughton Parish Council - Session 2 to be held on 26th June 2008**

Strategic Policy Issues – Transport and Movement Strategy

Addressing Bullet Point 1

The objective to 'reduce reliance on the private motor car' is not met and therefore the tests of soundness are not met at 6 & 7. This conflicts with PPG13 and the South West regional Strategy:

1. There is no circular transport system around the central area to keep traffic out of the central area.
2. The rail crossing route for the 'relief road' which would have directed traffic back into Swindon was dumped in favour of the tunnel link to Junction 16.
3. Any possibility of increasing public transport or non motor users into central Swindon has consequently been denied.
4. The entire scheme may well be the subject of a judicial review which will delay the implementation of the plan as a result.

Change required in Policy 5 – after 'setting out a commitment to' replace what follows with 'reduce reliance on the car and make provision for non-motorised users'.

Change required in Policy 6 – 'Clear signage to car parks' should be replaced because it encourages the use of the car with 'clear signage to bus stops, cycle-parks and the station' in the policy objective.

Change required in Policy 9 – Delete paragraph 2 re: provision of new 'strategic scale car parks'.

Yours Sincerely

Kevin Martin