

ANNEX A

PETITION TO RESTRICT THROUGH TRAFFIC IN NEWLANDS DRIVE.

WE THE RESIDENTS SIGNED BELOW REQUEST A RETRICTION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC IN NEWLANDS DRIVE TO PREVENT IT BEING 'A RAT RUN ', AFTER THE JUNCTION OF BOROBRIDGE ROAD / BECKFIELD LANE IS ALTERED AND THE RESITING OF BUS STOPS ON BOROBRIDGE ROAD AS PROPOSED.

The current flow of traffic, especially at peak times, along Borobridge Road and Beckfield Lane cause traffic queues beyond their junction with Newlands Drive. This does create a volume of traffic cutting through to avoid waiting to pass the junction, many passing through at speed.

The traffic lights will create a stop start flow of traffic past Newlands Drive at both ends.

The new site of the outbound bus stop is approximately 100 ft from the junction of Borobridge Road and Newlands Drive and is to be a curbside stop. This will impede the flow of traffic approaching the traffic lights. As the proposed bus route is to turn right at the junction the bus then has to manoeuvre across the traffic into the proposed right hand lane causing further delay.

As the opposing bus stops will be sited close together there will be little opportunity for traffic to pass the stationary buses thus impeding both ingress and exit to the traffic lights.

All the above we feel will encourage vehicles to by-pass the junction and cut through Newlands Drive as a 'Rat Run', Newlands Drive as a residential street is not really adequate to deal with a volume of traffic either by its width or state of repair.

We as residents feel a low cost prevention of Newlands Drive becoming a 'Rat-Run' would be to consider an Access/Residents only restriction. This could be managed in a similar manner to coppergate, an occasional policing if it becomes a problem were the restriction is ignored. This while not requiring extensive road works would have little to no impact on the local environment.