



# Bradford on Avon Town Council

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## Progress on Bradford on Avon Traffic

Dear Mark,

It is now six weeks since you apologised for the delay and told us to expect a response shortly on Wiltshire Highways proposed course of action.

In the meantime, we are facing public meetings where the patience of residents is, not unreasonably, becoming stretched. So far, we are managing the situation, but we cannot carry on indefinitely when it is probably the issue we are most frequently asked about. This is not surprising, given the continuing reports of pedestrians being struck by cars in the narrow town centre streets; the most recent we know of on Saturday morning, 8th October on the Town Bridge resulting in whiplash and arm injuries to a pedestrian.

It is perhaps worth reminding ourselves, that when Sarah Gibson outlined the 3 stage framework for this project a year ago (see email to you of 31.8.2021), the point was clearly made that it would be futile for the Town Council to undertake a rigorous, time consuming and expensive consultation if there was no commitment from Wiltshire to act on the results. Sarah stressed the need to act collaboratively, and I believe we all agreed to that sentiment as well as the overall framework. The Town Council has delivered on the consultation (Stage 1 of the plan), and now looks forward to Stage 2 delivery from Wiltshire.

Failure to follow through on this would certainly lead to huge disappointment in the town, as well as a further loss in public trust.

We very much hope to hear from you soon,

With best regards,

Cllr Tim Trimble

Chair of Bradford on Avon Town Council Sustainable Travel Committee  
Councillor for Bradford on Avon North and Unitary Councillor

Also on behalf of:

Cllr Katie Vigar, Mayor of Bradford on Avon

Cllr Sarah Gibson, Councillor of Bradford on Avon South and Unitary Councillor

Ian Brown, Chief Executive and Town Clerk