

19th October 2022

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Dear Tim

I refer to previous correspondence on this matter, and specifically to your letter dated 10th October.
My position has not changed in principle.

I agree with Cllr Gibson's view that our councils need to act collaboratively.

My conditional agreement to use the results of the consultation as a basis for us to commission some work that would look at potential solutions was given in good faith, and still has the potential to be progressed.

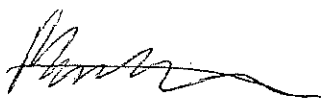
As I mentioned in previous correspondence however, Wiltshire Council's position regarding funding of transport schemes continues to worsen due to inflationary pressures which I feel sure I need not elaborate.

(I believe David Thomas has recently met and alerted you to the ongoing impacts, and the measures we are having to take to protect services).

Whilst I acknowledge the Town Council's rationale in arguing that we should bear the cost of the next stage(s), I am afraid that is not affordable, nor consistent with the arrangements we have agreed with other Wiltshire towns in similar circumstances.

That being the case, taking this forward will be conditional on the Town Council providing a significant local contribution – the principle and value of which I must ask you to reconsider.

Yours sincerely



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