

Sir,

Highways England (HE) tells us, in it's public consultation document, that 31% of traffic on Warren road is through-traffic. These vehicles come mainly from the A27 and A24. This information is based on data collected in 2015 (unfortunately not shared with the members of the A27 Working Group, despite numerous requests). Similar data must also be available for traffic on the A27 entering the western approach of the Offington roundabout and eastern approach of the Manor roundabout (including the average number of vehicles per day designated through-traffic).

HE has calculated the average time it takes, at present, to drive this full stretch of the A27 (5miles) during peak traffic (8-9 am and 5-6 pm) to be approximately 12 minutes. Does this truly represent most drivers experience of their daily commute from Monday to Friday?

Most businesses and residents would love to see the volume of traffic reduced by 30%. The road would then be fit for purpose.

HE are yet to determine how traffic (including HGVs) will be diverted during the construction phase (approximately 18 months). Contingency planning with West Sussex County Council has not yet commenced, although there will be no planned road works during that time. Construction of flyovers or underpasses at certain junctions would extend the construction time significantly. Traffic chaos is very likely.

What is the answer? It would be a Relief to know.

Don't Bypass the public consultations. Fill in the questionnaire. Answers to HE. You know what makes sense.