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As part of the well-advanced Langley Burrell Neighbourhood Plan (NP) preparation (the Plan is currently out to independent Inspector scrutiny) the local Steering Group (SG) gathered evidence to corroborate its draft community policies.

Community Policy no 4 (CP4) is "to reduce HGV traffic through the village .....and the B4069". 98% of residents who responded to the NP survey supported CP4.

The SG commissioned evidence on the technical aspects of CP4 and in particular traffic management and flow density advice. Critical to traffic-effects on Langley Burrell would be the management of traffic joining and leaving the M4 at Junction 17, which is currently at, and at peak times above, capacity.

Given the (already approved) residential expansion of Chippenham on its northern boundary into the Parish of Langley Burrell - particularly Rawlings Green, the proximity of Birds Marsh (and potentially Barrow Farm as well) then, without substantial remodelling of Junction 17, approval of planning application 17/03417/OUT would utterly compromise traffic management (gridlock), health and safety (to pedestrians, cyclists), and the environment (residents, visitors).

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