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Dear Sirs

We would like to offer our views on the proposals for traffic routes affecting Grindleton, Chatburn, West Bradford and Waddington.

We would like to support the option for a temporary road and river crossing from the bottom of Pimlico Road up to near Waddington. We would have thought that with a little more effort and ingenuity this road could be extended to also by pass Waddington, taking all the heavy vehicles and plant off the narrow country lanes.

This would mean our narrower lanes could remain unchanged which serves to slow traffic down rather than creating visually intrusive potential racetracks.

The lanes around these villages are used by many school children from four or five schools if you consider those attending the grammar school and putting this increased burden on the roads must increase considerably the danger to them, as well as the major disruption to village life.

The new temporary road and bridge (at least 6 years) will have some disturbance and potential pollution in the river but considering the time scale involved, we feel sure that this, with care at the construction stage will soon settle down.

When you have a purpose made industrial quality traffic route from the main A59 bypass road to past the cement works it does seem a very poor idea to route traffic through country lanes and villages over such a long period when a much safer temporary road can be constructed. Surely in a scheme of such size as the overall HARP project provision of measures to enhance public safety and reduce disruption should be at the forefront of any planning considerations.

