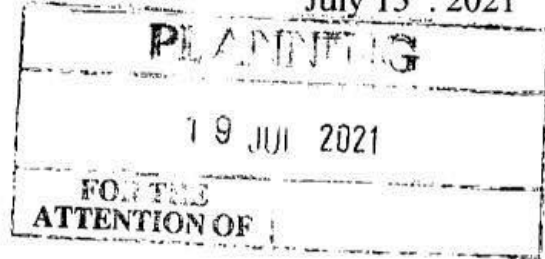




July 15th. 2021

The Director of Development,
Council Offices,
Church Walk,
Clitheroe,
BB7 2RA



Dear Sir,

Planning Applications 3/2021/0660 and 3/2021/0661

I write as a resident of Grindleton, [REDACTED] which is accessed from Grindleton Road. I have read in detail the Planning Applications from United Utilities and would like to make the following observations.

1. This is a huge project, which will have a lasting impact on the Ribble Valley, particularly on the villages of Waddington, West Bradford, Grindleton and Chatburn. The project is set to run from 2023 to 2030, a long time-scale.
2. There will be a massive impact on hedges, trees and dry stone walls as roads are widened to accommodate the vehicles driving to the site, especially along the proposed Route 2. At a time when we are being encouraged to prioritise the environment, this would be a retrograde step. United Utilities are promising to make good any damage, but how will this be enforced after seven years?
3. The Council is actively supporting tourism within the valley. The huge numbers of vehicles using our country roads from 07.00 to 19.00, Monday to Friday, and 07.00 to 13.00 on Saturdays will destroy the very peaceful environment the Council is highlighting in promotional literature.
4. I use the Grindleton to West Bradford road on a daily basis and there are many users of this "rural single carriageway", as described in the plans, besides the drivers of cars and wagons. What will become of those who cycle, walk or ride horses when they are faced with abnormal loads on extremely large vehicles?
5. The proposed Route 2 covers the roads needed for access to Bowland High, Grindleton Primary School and Waddington and

West Bradford Primary School. United Utilities propose to suspend their traffic morning and afternoon to allow access to schools.
Who will monitor this?

6. There is provision in the plans for a temporary haul route to be constructed across the River Ribble at West Bradford. Why can this route not be used for all traffic associated with the development, throughout the seven years, sparing Chatburn, Grindleton and West Bradford the worst effects of this project?

I would ask members of the Council to consider in detail the plans put before them and to ask themselves if they wish the peace of so many communities to be shattered for a very long period.

Yours faithfully,

