

Planning and Highways Committee
9th June 2020

Agenda Item No.: 6iii

Dear Sirs,

As you are not doubt aware, West Berkshire Council, have announced that in order to allow social distancing cars will be not be permitted to use Northbrook Street for the time being.

I wonder whether there have been discussion between the Town Council and West Berkshire Council about a similar arrangement for The Broadway and the High Street?

I am aware that this would be difficult to do for a variety of reasons, but as I am sure you are aware, pavements in both of these locations are incredibly narrow and would make socially distancing very difficult.

This maybe an issue for their ruling administration, but removing traffic from The Broadway, would provide the town with a public space which over time could become a greener space. Removing traffic could also be an important first step if the Liberal Democrat's intend to pursue the redevelopment of the Town Centre.

The removal of traffic would also significantly benefit parents with pushchairs as well as residents with mobility and visual impairments.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kind regards

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