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Dear Phil,

Lancashire County Council's Expression of Interest: 20-21 DfT Challenge Fund

I am writing to support the County Council's expression of interest in the 2020-21 DfT's Challenge Fund for funding to refurbish and repair the following bridge structures; Brewers Barn West, Brewers Barn East and Elpha, the removal of Brewers Barn West Widening Bridge and the removal and replacement of Higher North Road bridge with an at-grade junction at Nether Beck on the A601(M) in Carnforth.

I also support the need to request the removal of the Special Road status on the A601(M) thus removing the M status to facilitate the installation of the at grade junction.

This work is essential to ensure that high volumes of traffic are not redirected through central Carnforth due to the potential traffic restriction in the form of weight limits, lane restrictions or even full closure if this work is not carried out. Aside from the added congestion these restriction would cause, central Carnforth is designated as an Air Quality Management Area.

Yours sincerely,



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