

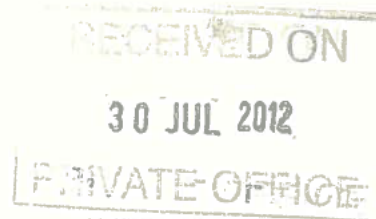
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Dear Mike,

Please find enclosed correspondence from my constituent, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] has  
made several suggestions for improving the flow of traffic. I would be grateful for  
any comments which I can forward to my constituent.

With kind regards.

NICK HERBERT

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

2<sup>nd</sup>, July, 2012

N.Herbert, Esq.M.P.  
House of Commons,  
Westminster.

Dear *Nick*

I set out below my suggestions for improving the flow of traffic.

1. Where, on a dual carriageway, such as the A.24, there is a roundabout or traffic lights that are known to cause long delays; for example at Washington and at the Buck Barn crossroads, I would provide a bridge or tunnel in the off side lane only for a single line of cars to proceed. Those who wished to turn either left or right would use the roundabout in the usual way as would all lorries and busses. The tunnel or bridge would be just wide enough for the ordinary car to travel in safely and could use steep gradients where necessary. There may be drainage problems to overcome in the tunnels. No additional land would need to be acquired, and the costs would be reasonable compared to the traditional Fly-over. I enclose a sketch to illustrate this idea.
2. Speed limits are required to slow traffic when approaching built up areas or dangerous junctions, but so often they continue beyond what is necessary. I was informed that where a road has a speed limit in one direction it has to have it in the opposite direction for the same distance. Why?
3. At the end of most speed restricted areas, the sign, a black diagonal bar across a white circle shows that the road is de-restricted. In fact all roads have a restricted speed limit either 60 on single carriageways or 70 on dual carriageways.
4. I would like the speed limit on dual carriageways to be increased to 80 and on Motorways to 90 and rigorously enforced.. It is frustrating when travelling at 70 to be overtaken by a stream of BMWs, Audis, and Mercedes.
5. I would like to see the toll at the Dartford crossing abolished. It must have paid for the tunnel and the bridge many times over and the delays to traffic can often exceed half an hour.
6. I would ask the Minister when he expects to give the go-ahead for the Arundel By-pass . It is badly needed.
7. On my journeys to Norfolk to visit ur daughter, I am invariably held up on the A.11 at Elvedon. A By-pass is surely needed to make the A.11 dual all the way.

I should be glad to receive your comments and those of the Minister for Roads.

Yours sincerely, [REDACTED] [REDACTED]