



Sandyhurst Lane Residents' Association

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Dear Cllr Wedgbury

Thank you for your letter of 10 June 2013, in which I was pleased to read of your support for the traffic issues we have been pursuing.

As you are probably aware, there was, sadly, yet another serious road traffic collision at the junction of the A20 and Sandyhurst Lane (Potters Corner) on 10 July 2013.

Sandyhurst Lane Residents' Association has, for the past two years, been campaigning for road safety measures to be improved at this junction, which has a bad accident record. We initially tried to persuade KCC Traffic Schemes to extend the existing 40 mph limit on the A20 to include Potters Corner. KCC did not agree to this proposal, but did concede that the accident record was sufficiently bad that new road safety measures should be introduced and have proposed a scheme to install new static and 'flashing' signage on the A20 approaches to the junction.

We were originally told that this scheme would be installed in 2012/13. This did not happen and we were then promised that consultation on the proposed scheme would take place "as early as practicable" in the new financial year (2013/14). We are now over a quarter of the way through that financial year and still there is no sign of the proposals being brought forward.

The recent serious accident highlights the need for urgent action to be taken. May we ask you, both as KCC Councillor for part of the A20 concerned and as Vice Chairman of the Joint Transportation Board, to ensure that KCC Traffic Schemes resolve any outstanding issues immediately and take the necessary steps to implement the new road safety measures in the very near future?

We will greatly appreciate any influence you can bring to bear.

Yours sincerely

cc Cllr C Simkins, KCC, Cllr M Cloughton, ABC, Cllr D Robey, ABC,
Cllr Mrs C Drury, Westwell PC.