

## HIGHWAYS NEWS - November 2011

Hello Enford Residents. This is a short report as there is a lot occurring at the moment regarding: the A345, and a dispute with Wiltshire Council concerning their ignorance of the road being heavily used as a North to South through route by HGV traffic; and the C32, being one of the first two "C" class roads to be assessed for the coming Wiltshire Council Highways review for "C" class and unclassified roads. We aim to get this small rural lane (ie. C32) re-assessed regarding the 30mph speed limits through East Chisenbury and Enford, and also with regard to the reduction of the 60mph national speed limit down to 50mph.

As reported in the Enford Newsletters of June 2011 and October 2011, Enford Parish Council submitted a consultation document to the Department for Transport regarding their Road Network Policy for the A345, and heavy flows of traffic and Heavy Goods Vehicles using the road as a North to South through route. Not having any response from the DfT, we contacted Claire Perry MP, who replied that she had written to Mike Penning MP the Under Secretary for State for Transport. We eventually received a reply back from Claire Perry with an attachment letter from Mike Penning MP. The letter which was a reply to our Consultation document letter had a lot of answers to questions about the A338/A346, but there was not one mention of the A345 or the concerns that were raised by Enford PC.

We again contacted Claire Perry regarding this bizarre situation and we received a reply from her on the 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2011, her letter is printed below. We now await another reply from Claire Perry regarding this issue. We will give you a more full up to date report in the New Year,

May I wish you all the compliments of the season and safe motoring to you all for 2012  
Stan.W.A.Bagwell. Enford Parish Council. (Highways)  
Chair. Transport and Road Safety Sub Group. Pewsey Community Area Partnership.

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Dear Mr Bagwell

Thank you very much for copying me in your email of 29 October to Mike Penning MP regarding the Parish Council's submission to the Consultation.

It is slightly disconcerting that the Department do not appear to have fully recognised the contents of your submission and I can appreciate your unhappiness that the Minister makes no reference to the A345. I have therefore written to the Minister, attaching your correspondence, and asking for his comments on your important points about the road.

I will of course let you know once I have received a response from the Minister and would appreciate it if you could keep me informed of this issue as it progresses. Furthermore, please do get in touch if I can help you with any other matter.

Yours Sincerely,

Clair Perry  
MP for the Devizes constituency

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