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NWL Planning

Subject: Norwich Western Link Road Planning Consultation FUL/2024/0022 Response

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Hello,

As chair of the Arundel SCATE (South Coast Alliance for Transport and the Environment) and on its behalf, I am objecting to the Norwich Western Link Road planning application FUL/2024/0022.

The Norwich Western Link is an outdated proposal which would seriously and unacceptably damage wildlife and habitats on the proposed route and it environs.

It is clear that plans pose a serious risk to rare and legally protected wildlife, in particular, bats.

The predicted benefits are highly questionable and based on assumptions proven to be inadequate in most major road schemes, evidenced by the 2018 CPRE report on available Highways England (as was) POPE studies.

This road would cause irreversible serious loss of protected wildlife, increased carbon emissions and further add to traffic levels in the wider area. Beyond these unacceptable impacts, is a waste of public money.

We are in a biodiversity and climate crisis and consenting this proposal would be a serious blow to national nature and climate recovery. Nature must be put at the heart of important decision-making to secure a prosperous future for us all.

Kind regards,

Arundel SCATE West Sussex