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Dear Owner / Occupier

Update on the Princes Risborough Southern Road Link

I am writing to update you on the current progress of the Princes Risborough Southern Road Link (PRSRL). (Planning reference: 22/06910/R9FULE).

The PRSRL is the first phase of the Princes Risborough relief road, which is planned in three phases to support the town's expansion. The Wycombe Local Plan, adopted in 2019, allocates around 2,500 new homes to the north-west of Princes Risborough.

The new road will provide an alternative route to the A4010 and connect the expansion area with the town. It is a key piece of infrastructure to enable new homes and reduce congestion.

I recognise that it has been some time since you were written to whilst we have been trying to find a way for the new road to be built. In 2023, the Council's Land Agents wrote to you requesting Land Referencing Information to prepare for a Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) for land needed for the road. Council officers have subsequently been engaged in lengthy negotiations with developers and central government to secure delivery of this part of the relief road. However, due to an inability to secure sufficient funding, and the possibility that central government would have sought to recover the money we have already spent, the Council have withdrawn from the preparation of a CPO and are not pursuing the planning permission for the road.

The Council recognise that the road is critical for any housing in the Princes Risborough Expansion Area. Any future delivery of the road will be by developers through the planning process who, under the planning policies, will be required to provide the infrastructure as it is set out in the Local Plan and the Supplementary Planning Document for the Expansion Area. We remain firmly of the view that a Southern Link Road is critical for this area and it remains a planning requirement for any future housing applications in this location.

Please be assured that the Council remains committed to supporting the growth of Princes Risborough and the requirements for infrastructure set out in the Local Plan. The Council will continue to keep your local Councillors, Gary Hall and Matthew Walsh, updated with any progress regarding the road and the expansion area, will provide further information publicly

where appropriate and will continue to work towards a solution that benefits residents and businesses alike.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, then please contact our Highways teams:
hitmailbox@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

Thank you for your understanding and continued engagement.

Yours sincerely



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A generic form of this letter has been sent to the following:

Greg Smith MP
Cllr Steven Broadbent
Cllr Steve Bowles
Cllr Thomas Broom
Cllr Peter Strachan
Cllr Gary Hall
Cllr Matt Walsh
Princes Risborough Town Council
Longwick cum Ilmer Parish Council
Bledlow cum Saunderton Parish Council