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Your Ref:
Our Ref: NATTRAN/SE/S247/6126
Date: 13 April 2026

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Dear Objector,

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 – SECTION 247
PROPOSED STOPPING UP OF HIGHWAY AT**

NOTIFICATION OF PUBLIC INQUIRY

In light of the outstanding objection you raised, the Secretary of State for Transport has decided that a Public Inquiry into the above proposed Order should be held and has appointed an inspector to hold the inquiry.

I attach a copy of the Notice confirming the date, venue and commencement time of the Inquiry. The inquiry is expected to last 3 days.

The Notice will be published in Andover Advertiser on 05 June 2026.

A copy of your correspondence will be sent to the Inspector who is to conduct the Public Inquiry into the proposed Order.

WRITTEN STATEMENT [OF CASE]

Although Inquiries into these types of Orders are not governed by particular Inquiry Rules, it is helpful to the Inquiry proceedings, and to avoid any potential for delays, if written statements which the parties intend to rely upon to present their case are exchanged ahead of the Inquiry and a copy provided to the Inspector ahead of the Inquiry opening.

You are requested, therefore, to provide a copy of your written statement [of case], as an objector to the Order, to this office by no later than 09 June 2026 and at such time send a copy of that statement to the applicant.

I look forward to receiving your written statement in due course. In the meantime, should you have any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Juliet Bradbury

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PUBLIC NOTICE

DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

NOTICE is hereby given that a Public Local Inquiry will be held by an Inspector appointed for the purpose by the Secretary of State for Transport into his proposal to make an Order under Section 247 of the above Act to authorise the stopping up of a length of A3057 Western Avenue and a length of West Street at Andover, in the Borough of Test Valley in order to enable development to be carried out as permitted by Test Valley Borough Council under reference 25/01047/FULLN.

THE INQUIRY will be held at Test Valley Borough Council, Beech Hurst, Weyhill Road Andover, SP10 3AJ commencing at 10:00am on 30 June 2026.

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On behalf of the Department for Transport NATTRAN/SE/S247/6126