

Wem Town Council Local Plan Review Survey December 2017

Question 4

Suggestions received to alleviate the impact of traffic on the town centre

Subject	Comments	Number of responses
HGV's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stop HGV's which are passing through only Ban tractors and HGV's Impose a weight/ length limit on vehicles Time restrictions on HGV's/ tractors accessing the town centre 	26 23 23 28
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduce congestion charge for HGV's Impose on the spot fines for HGV's which ignore easier route to Industrial Site Restrict speed of HGV's 18 ton limit when relief road built Temporary banning farm traffic and HGV from town until ring road in place No deliveries on High Street between 8 a.m to 9.30 am and 4.30 pm and 6 p.m 	1 1 1 1 1 3
Traffic Lights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traffic lights needed on Maunds corner/ Mill Street/ High Street Traffic lights suggested New Street / Aston Street/ High Street junction 	12 3
One Way System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One way system suggested routes include by primary school, High Street, New Street and Pyms Road, along Noble Street 	43
Speed Control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traffic calming measures to slow traffic down on a number of roads including Mill Street, Pyms Road, Whitchurch Road, Soulton Road, junction of Soulton Road and A49 to slow speeding traffic, more 20mph roundels 	6
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> More speed enforcement including 20mph zones 	4
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> More speed cameras around the town including Noble Street & High Street, Pyms Road Extend 20mph zones 	4 3
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase speed limits 	
Public Transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve quality and Increase frequency of bus and trains to Shrewsbury Liverpool and Birmingham Encourage better use of buses Buses should not convoy Use smaller buses Lessen rail crossing down time 	7 1 1 1 1
Pyms Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use Pyms road better for through traffic Use Pyms road more for heavy traffic 	1 2
Parking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> More parking enforcement 	30
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents parking only on some streets off High Street Remove on street parking particularly on New Street & High Street, Aston Street towards the station 	2 10

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More car parking for railway station 	2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More delivery bays 	8
Car Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep parking fees as they are • Free parking in car park • Make better use of Drawwell lane for car park access • Improve exit junction with High Street 	1 1 3 1
Traffic Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local traffic management study needed 	2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would be more beneficial for cars turning into Saulton Road to be able to get into the left hand lane from Station Road 	1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve/ widen the road junction of High Street and Mill Street • High Street New Street • Maunds Corner improvements 	14 3 3
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sat navs to be reset to take HGVs down A49 	1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve rail crossing 	2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ban cars except disabled / create park and ride 	2
Relief Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ring road should be built a mile from town centre limitation on vehicle size • A relief Road must be in conjunction with restricting heavy/large vehicles travelling through Wem • Not just a relief road needed but a ring road and improved access to the A49 	1 1 1 1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A relief road would negatively impact on businesses restrict HGV's travelling through town • Wem already has a relief road – the A49 • The number of houses required to contribute to a new road is surely far larger than anyone is expecting • Better traffic management should be the solution rather than building a relief road. 	6 1 2 1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any scheme to ease the problem of traffic entering from Harmer Hill & Ellesmere would be a great benefit missed opportunity Fismes Way & Aston Road 	1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If the south side of Wem was developed there may not be the need for a relief road 	1
Signage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better signage to direct HGV vehicles away from Town Centre • Signage on A49 saying lorries can only enter Wem from North end of A49 past Industrial Estate unless needing to deliver in the town 	7 2
Miscellaneous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vehicle entrance tax 	1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take out the bus lane near the crossing, this is totally unnecessary as so few buses 	1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold open town meeting 	1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More cycle lanes 	3
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create new business park outside of town to free up land for new homes 	3
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Redesign the town centre 	1
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pedestrianise the High Street 	2