Dear Wem Town Council,

I live at 76 High Street and would like to ask for the Council's support in addressing concerns about traffic using the High Street, particularly the narrow bend directly outside my home.

At this point, the road narrows so that only one vehicle can pass at a time. Despite this, there is a constant flow of traffic, including large lorries, tractors pulling substantial trailers and buses. I am concerned about how suitable this section is for these vehicles and the potential risks when traffic meets on the bend.

I would like to explore whether restrictions on heavy vehicles using the High Street as a through route could be introduced, while maintaining necessary access to local premises. I also think a one-way arrangement could help and would welcome the Council's views on whether this is practical.

I understand that weight restrictions and one-way arrangements have been considered in Wem previously. It would be useful to know what happened to those proposals and whether there is scope to revisit them.

Before approaching Shropshire Council, I would appreciate the opportunity to meet with a representative of Wem Town Council, ideally at the location, to discuss the problem and possible next steps. I hope the Town Council would be willing to support a request for a formal traffic and road safety assessment.

Please let me know whether a meeting could be arranged and who would be best placed to discuss this with me.

Kind regards,

Bob Coyne

Meeting held with the correspondent and Town Clerk on Thursday 12th November, following this meeting the email below was received

Hi Penny

Thank you for the meeting today and for explaining the obstacles you've faced regarding the traffic issues.

I don't know what the answers are but I'd be keen to raise this with Shropshire Council again with your support. If there's anything I can do to help let me know. Maybe a survey or some leafleting? I'm a graphic designer and also build websites so can offer my services free of charge if it helps.

Regards
Bob Coyne