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Councillor Simon Ball Elected Member

Via email: simon.ball@rotherham.gov.uk

Dear Councillor Ball

Question for Council - 4th October 2023

Thank you for submitting a question to the Council Meeting on Wednesday 4th October 2023. I have detailed the question below along with my subsequent response for your information.

Can the leader of the council make a statement on how RMBC plans to mitigate the traffic chaos in and out of Maltby on Bawtry Road caused by several ongoing developments and road layout changes?

Unfortunately, when we're investing in the network, it's inevitable that there will be some disruption and we do apologise for the inconvenience. Ultimately of course, the works taking place in Maltby are intended to make bus services more reliable, even as the level of traffic on the roads continues to rise – a cause I would expect the ward members to be supportive of.

In terms of mitigation, potential disruption and delays are considered from the outset when assessing buildability, and all schemes have been through the relevant procedures, using street work permits to control roadworks. They are also registered on the appropriate databases, allowing Google Maps and other satellite navigation systems to provide information to drivers, in case they want to re-route, re-time or re-think their journey with the foresight of information. We are also ensuring that additional road closures or lane closures are not being permitted during the normal working day.

Please rest assured that we are continually monitoring the situation and working with other agencies such as National Highways to co-ordinate with works on the motorway such as on the M1.

I trust the above information is helpful.

Yours sincerely

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