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My wife and I have very recently moved into Chantry Lodge, and will be purchasing the property as soon as the previous owners estate issues clear probate. Our initial contacts with other residents have made us aware of the referenced matter and the serious reservation that they have over the safety and environmental issues arising from it.

Whilst we fully support the creation of Riverside Park, which will be a great asset on our doorstep at Chanty Lodge, we must record our objection to the Stopping up order **NATTRAN/SE/S247/6126**, on the following grounds:

West Street

It is believed that the proposed changing of this busy thoroughfare to a two way street will have a seriously detrimental effect on the quality of life of the residents of Chantry Lodge and surrounding properties. It will likely result in higher traffic density, narrower pavements and environmental degradation due to increased vehicle exhausts and noise. It is also believed that alternative options exist, at a lower cost, to achieve the very laudable aim of creating a wonderful recreational park.

Western Avenue

It is also believed that the stopping up proposal of this dual carriageway will drastically reduce it's carrying capacity when it is reduced to a single carriageway, In addition it is felt that the increased traffic density will occur at a time when Test Valley is committed to a substantial new house building program leading to an inevitable population increase. It is felt that the potential for increased traffic congestion and attendant accident risk will be unavoidable with the proposed new traffic flow. There is a particular concern about school buses having to muster children at the roadside before taking them across the river to the Leisure Centre.

We thank you in anticipation of your sympathetic consideration of our objections, which are made in the sincere desire to contribute to a better, brighter, even more beautiful Andover. Your part in this ongoing endeavor is recognized and greatly appreciated.