

Day Ten

Peter Sim

Mr Sim said that Westbury was affected by NO₂ emissions caused by heavy traffic

Mr Sim said that Westbury matches all the criteria justifying a bypass.

Mr Sim said that said that there was no alternative.

Mr Sim was asked to read from para 2.1 to the end of his proof

Cross Examination

FP2.6. Reasonable to assume premature deaths from pollution. WCC have not put that forward as a justification for the bypass.

-Agreed

Presume there is no evidence that can be relied on?

-Scientific facts that NO₂ causes premature deaths, therefore reasonable to assume that would cause deaths in WSB

No data on deaths attributable to NO₂ pollution

-No, but reasonable assumption

LTP2. Chapter 15. Pg236. Graph 'ATP 8W'. Monitoring by WCC. Between 2004 and 2005 air quality actually improved.

-There are more recent figures than these

-Appendix 2 of my proof, pg39

-Though there were some signs of improvement from 2003-04, there has been no improvement since then.

-WCC 'tell me' there is no evidence of further improvement over the past two years.

A conflict between County's data and District Council's data?

-Some of the problem is the way graphs are structured.

Inspector's Questions

Mr Langton noted that the Ch15 graph from LTP2, was not a direct measure of air quality, but a proxy for AQ based on traffic levels. The graph in Mr Sim's appendices, is an actual measure of NO₂ in the atmosphere.