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**From:** Scott Mann MP

**Sent:** 05 March 2021 11:22

**To:** clerkaltarnunpc@gmail.com

**Subject:** From the Office of Scott Mann MP Re: Highways - A30 Plusha Junction from B3257 (Bodmin Moor Services)- Attn Nicola (Case Ref: ZA31727)

Dear Robin,

Thank you for your email to Scott Mann MP and Nicola. Scott has seen it and is aware of your concerns, and has asked me to respond on his behalf.

Scott actually had a 1:1 meeting with Highways England again yesterday to discuss Plusha Junction, so yours was an excellently-timed email.

Initial plans and ideas had been drawn up by Highways England and an improvement to the A30 Plusha Junction is included, for delivery, within their South West Regional Capital Forward Programme for Road Investment Strategy 2 (extending from 2020 to 2025). However, this is subject to securing scheme specific funding following a prioritisation of need and demonstration of value for money. The latter part of that sentence is the difficulty. There are some challenges to justify the expense required for a full junction rebuild/overpass/etc, the cost of which would sit in the tens of millions of pounds.

Scott has raised the safety issues and feedback given to him by the Parish Council on multiple occasions and has also asked Highways whether any other options are available, including whether they were considering closing the crossover parts of the A30. Highways England have previously mentioned this is a priority for them and it might be a means of keeping Plusha on their radar. If they are considering this, Scott made it clear that Highways England would need to liaise with Parish Councils like Altarnun to make sure local opinion is taking into account and any plans put in place are fully considered.

Scott will continue to explore options to alter Plusha Junction, and he would welcome any updates or comments that you have for him or Highways England. I hope this update is useful.

Thank you again for your email.

Best Regards,  
Calum

**Calum McGrath**  
Parliamentary Assistant

**Office of Scott Mann MP (North Cornwall)**  
**Government Whip (Lord Commissioner to HM Treasury)**

**\*\*\*COVID-19 (Coronavirus)\*\*\***

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From: Altarnun Parish Clerk  
Sent: 2 March 2021 13:24  
To: Scott Mann MP  
Subject: RE: Highways - A30 Plusha Junction from B3257 (Bodmin Moor Services)- Attn Nicola (Case Ref: ZA31727)

Hi Nicola  
Any progress since Scott joined us in September?

Kind regards  
Robin  
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Dear Robin

Thank you for your follow up email following our phone conversation. I have confirmed the meeting in Scott's diary and look forward to receiving the zoom invite log in details nearer the time.

Best Wishes  
Nicola

Nicola Wade | Secretary to Scott Mann MP (North Cornwall) | PPS to the Secretary of State for Education

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From: Altarnun Parish Clerk  
Sent: 14 August 2020 11:06  
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Subject: Highways - A30 Plusha Junction from B3257 (Bodmin Moor Services) - Attn Nicola

Attn Nicola  
Dear Scott

We should be grateful if you could attend the Altarnun Parish Council Meeting Friday 4th September at 19:30hrs By Zoom. (RSVP)

The safety concerns of the junction of B3257 & A30 has been the subject of deliberation, according to my research, since at least 2011 and I attach a CC Cabinet Agenda dated Nov 2011 in which it is acknowledged that this junction should be under the spotlight for safety, investment for growth & improvement. In the intervening period public engagements have taken place co-ordinated by Cormac under the auspices of Highways England. Your good services were called upon at the end of 2018 to track the reviews and work being done around 'Road Improvement Strategy 2 – Beyond 2020'. At the heart of this document is AIM 3 – Safety. In respect of the latter we are yet to have feedback from this review and would welcome an update as to where matters stand at present.

Going forward, the expectation is for increased commercial and tourist traffic movements as well as 'business as usual' use. Currently HGV drivers will leave this junction travel west in order to find a safe place to U turn/ leave the carriageway to re join on the opposite side to travel east. Those longer rigs who decide to cross the junction to travel east often find that the rear of their trailer, caravan or container bed is not accommodated safely in the central reservation and still impedes the outside, west bound lane. Likewise in hours of consistently high traffic volumes trying to re join the east bound carriage way can be frustrating and drivers are taking their chances or misjudging their ability when pulling out in fast moving flows. The other major observation has been those who wish to turn off into the B3257 travelling in both directions and being unfamiliar with the layout and creating 'near hits' with various spur of the moment decisions.

Our councillors remain proactive to help and support you and an initiative that finds a solution that improves the safety aspects of this junction, that may provide an important investment for growth and be cost effective by being either contingent or funded contemporaneously with other local schemes being commenced.

Kind regards

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