

**Baugh, Ben**

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 10 January 2014 17:32  
**To:** Baugh, Ben  
**Subject:** HEREFORDSHIRE SCHOOLS AND POST 16 TRANSPORT POLICY

Mr Baugh,

I am a parent with two children caught by you proposed changes to the schools transport policy. I am strongly opposed to the changes and have some questions:

1. What is the ACTUAL calculated saving from this change?

Does it take into account:

- the increased road use?
- the lose of income to schools?
- the reduction in council tax as areas like Cradley become less popular?
- the impact on villages like Cradley?
- disruption in education?
- the cost of the consultation and work implementing the changes (working with schools to get children to fill the places vacated by those being shipped to different counties etc)

2. When and where will the calculation be published for public scrutiny?

3. How is Herefordshire making this a viable proposition when I understand that both Gloucester and Worcestershire have looked at similar schemes and decided they couldn't predict that they would actually save any money at all?

4. The difference in distance between the school my children currently go to, and the proposed school is only a couple of miles - why is this going to cost me over £1500 a year? In the worst case, why can I not just pay the difference rather than a whole journey?

5. Why is my children's education be disrupted, with the proposal to being moved to school with a terrible reputation, for a few miles a day?

5. How is running two school buses from Cradley saving money?

6. As the council currently seems to be doing the very minimum to give the impression of consultation, when and where are councillors going to make themselves available to answer questions face-to-face with the people impacted by these changes?

Yours

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