

Question

Councillor NE Shaw, Bromyard Bringsty Ward

The alternative budget promotes using £100k on signage, redirecting traffic from the Highways England (central government) funded and maintained A49 and M50 to the Herefordshire Council funded and maintained A44 and A417, in order to reduce traffic on the A49. Whilst this might have some benefit for Hereford city, it must surely be a detriment to towns like Leominster and Bromyard; is it an appropriate use of designated Rural Sparsity Funding which might be used to deliver resurfaced roads or improved services in the more rural parts of our county?

Response

Councillor WLS Bowen, Chairman of the General Scrutiny Committee

Thank you for your question. The committee will be scrutinising the evidence and rationale for the proposed alternative budget and will ensure that this issue is explored during the debate.