

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

The following Notice of motion has been submitted in accordance with Procedure Rule 10 by Councillor R. Hunter.

***Assessing the need for a bypass***

*Increasing traffic congestion on Bromsgrove's road network is a threat to the health and wellbeing of residents and the prosperity of local businesses. Future housing development will likely exacerbate this problem without appropriate new transport infrastructure. Previous attempts to assess the viability of a Western by-pass to address this issue have not concluded satisfactorily.*

*Council is grateful for the important work of members and officers in seeking solutions to this problem; and welcomes their commitment to working with Worcestershire County Council to undertake a Strategic Transport Assessment that will support the production of a robust Local Development Plan.*

*Council resolves that this project must include an adequate assessment of the viability of a range of different options when considering locations for future growth, one of which should be a western by-pass. This assessment will model not just existing traffic flows, but also the likely impact of increased volumes of traffic resulting from new developments, ensuring the shortcomings identified in the 2015 feasibility assessment of the bypass, as identified by Mot McDonald are not repeated.*