

## Actions

- **Frustrated or angry about the expressway?** Sign-up on [noexpressway.org/#newsletter](https://noexpressway.org/#newsletter) for up to the minute news and updates and to help us get information to you quickly around consultation time.  
**Every sign up adds strength to our campaign.** By signing up, you're helping to show just how many people support this cause. This is a crucial tool in persuading politicians to see sense.
- **We urgently need to raise funds** to run our campaign and to pay for political consultants and planning experts for our campaign. *We must not wait. The time is now.*  
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**What's new** (for more information go to [noexpressway.org/news-updates](https://noexpressway.org/news-updates))

### **Political opposition to the proposed Ox-Cam Expressway**

- Both Aylesbury Vale District Council and Buckinghamshire County Council have now unanimously voted to oppose the Ox-Cam Expressway. They join Oxford City, South Oxfordshire District and Vale of White Horse District Councils in taking this position. *This is fantastic news!*
- **Disappointingly** Cherwell District Council won't debate this until routes are known, which misses the point!
- Oxfordshire Growth Board Scrutiny Panel have also said the "Ox-Cam Expressway [is] incompatible with Zero Carbon aims."
- Daniel Zeichman (MP for Cambridge), Leyla Moran (MP for Oxford West & Abingdon) and Anneliese Dodds (MP for Oxford East) have all come out against the Ox-Cam Expressway too
- We now need to keep the pressure up on other councils and all MPs along the corridor.

### **Oxon Growth Board Consultation**

- The Oxfordshire Growth Board has announced a review of how it operates. The review is open to councils, community groups and members of the public. You can provide take part in the survey here <https://www.oxfordshiregrowthboard.org/oxfordshire-growth-board-review/>

### **Buckinghamshire Council "Community Boards" consultation**

- Bucks "Shadow Authority" (prelude to the new unitary authority) is running a consultation on new Community Boards it wants to set up. **Act fast, consultation ends 11.45pm, Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September**

### **NEG activities**

- The NEG has taken the travelling pagoda to Haddenham Greener Living Autumn Fair and presented at both Launton and Oakley/Worminghall village meetings, with over over 100 attendees at each meeting
- **Very disappointingly** Barry Wood, Leader of Cherwell District Council and Chair of the Arc Leaders Group, told those attending the Launton meeting that anyone concerned by NEG's presentation "*should go home and take some tablets*", that he doesn't have a problem with campaign groups but thinks they should be "*rooted in reality*"!
- **This is not the time to be rude or flippant**, but to inform and enable people to make up their own minds, something Councils and Highways England should have been doing, but haven't done so far. Feel free to contact us to ask about our reference sources and our meeting with Highways England.  
**As for reality, we totally agree!** The Office of National Statistic's average growth forecast for England's population is 16% by 2050. But Cllr Barry Wood wants you to believe that Oxon should grow by >100% and affected areas of Bucks by 87% by 2050. Shouldn't our Local Authority growth forecasts be "rooted in reality too"? And no mention at all from Cllr Barry Wood of what this would do to our environment, communities etc.  
*More reality needed here please!*

**Stronger Together** - NEG meets regularly with local groups to make our campaign stronger.

- This group is growing with Buckinghamshire Expressway Action Group (BEAG), North Otmoor No Expressway Group and Chris Church from Friends of the Earth coming to join in our next meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> September.

### **Reminder**

- No route options have been published by Highways England or the government yet. Any routes we discuss in presentations are guesses based on information available now.

## What's next

- Working on a programme of activities for schools and younger people to get involved in
- Continue to update our noexpressway.org website, add news and drive traffic to NEG page on Facebook, and put up new signs as and when requested.
- **Fundraising – Please donate** at <https://www.noexpressway.org/no-expressway/donate> !

## Sincere thanks go to all those who've organised events and meetings for NEG to attend

*In particular*, in Launton – Jane Olds and Simon Turner, in Oakley/Worminghall – John Mole, Tracey Stakes, Vicky Everitt, Alex Griffiths and the rest of the team and in Haddenham - Deborah Lovatt of BEAG and Coral Simpson.

## Events (see noexpressway.org events page for full details)

- 17<sup>th</sup> October – NEG will be presenting at SPADE Expressway Meeting
- 22<sup>nd</sup> October – NEG will be hosting an update meeting in Horton-cum-Studley
- 26th October - Marsh Gibbon Village Social Night - Eat Drink and Give!
- 28<sup>th</sup> October – NEG will be presenting at Wavendon, at the Daneborough Expressway Action Group meeting
- 6th November – NEG will be presenting at Ludgershall Parish Council meeting
- 15<sup>th</sup> November – NEG will be presenting at the Grendon Underwood & Edgcott village meeting

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## Write to your councillors & MP:

- **object to** the lack of public consultation & visibility, lack of Strategic Environmental Assessment, over inflated housing targets for the area (without focusing to have these in the right location at the right price) and the ongoing threat to our communities, ecosystems and wildlife,
- **remind them** it is critical that they are involved in and contribute to Highways England processes now, and that they should be *representing our views*.
- **make sure** your Parish Council is registered as a Stakeholder. **You must be in it to stop it!**

## Our County and District Councillors and the below MP's

All Oxfordshire County Councillor names & contact details can be found here:

<http://mycouncil.oxfordshire.gov.uk/mgMemberIndex.aspx?VW=TABLE&PIC=1&bcr=1>

All Buckinghamshire County Council names & contact details can be found here:

<https://democracy.buckscc.gov.uk/mgMemberIndex.aspx?bcr=1>

All District Councillor information is available on your specific District Council website.

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