

Dear Mr Bishop

There was a near fatality on Watton Road yesterday at around 1520.

I was driving down the road towards my house (xx Watton Road), following a very large lorry - we have too many very (very) large lorries now using this road. I noticed my wife walking our dog down the pavement and at that moment a white van, moving quite fast, coming up Swaffham Road, swerved up onto the pavement, seemingly to avoid the large lorry, which was also going at speed.

The white van missed my wife by only a few inches and if it had hit her it would have caused serious injury or possibly a fatality.

The underlying issues are:

1. The parking on Watton road
2. The failure of drivers to comply with speed limits (and there will be a fatality on the crossing point I am sure as the approaches to this are hidden by vegetation and a speeding vehicle will not stop in time), but perhaps a lower speed limit is required
3. The increasing number of very large lorries using Watton Road (perhaps ban lorries over a certain size)

Sadly I was unable to get a registration number for the white van.

What action is the Council going to take?