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Dear Sir,

I am writing in regard to the proposal to divert HS2 heavy lorries along Robert Street and Stanhope St.

The proposal is quite preposterous and clearly unsafe.

Why anybody would divert heavy traffic along narrow roads in a residential area is baffling. But when you note that the route will take this dangerous traffic past an infant school, the proposal is downright criminal.

Apart from the pollution, the risk of accident is too high to even contemplate.

Stanhope St is already blighted by traffic congestion, with traffic queues in both directions and frequent noise from beeping horns and irate motorists at all hours.

I cannot stress my objection to this proposal enough, and hope (beyond all hope) that commonsense will for once prevail.

Short of operating a nuclear test site outside the school, or placing land-mines on the Zebra-Crossing, I can't think of anything more dangerous for small children.

Kind regards

