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Sidlesham Parish Council
Sidlesham Memorial Recreational Ground
Selsey Road
Sidlesham
West Sussex
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Our Ref: JB23513

8 October 2026

Dear Sidlesham Parish Council,

Re: Letter of Support for A27 Upgrades

Thank you for taking the time to write to me in June about the pressing need for future A27 upgrades. I have received several similar letters from Parish Councils across the Chichester constituency, and I appreciate your support on this issue.

Earlier this year, I was informed by National Highways that any major A27 investment is no longer included in the road investment pipeline. The proposals that were originally shelved in 2017 are now entirely off the table.

I remain deeply disappointed by this decision. Time and time again, residents and businesses across Chichester have told me that the A27 is holding the community back. This is verified by recent data that the A27 westbound between the B2144 and the A259 near Chichester is one of the most congested A roads in England.

As the government continues to impose new developments in and around Chichester the problem is compounded. If not addressed soon, this lack of new spending will continue to leave Chichester and the Manhood strangled by gridlock.

Since I was elected in 2024, I have pressed Ministers and National Highways for a proper solution that is backed by funding, going as far as inviting the Secretary of State for Transport to join me sitting in the congestion around the A27 bypass.

I have met with two successive Ministers for Roads to discuss the issue and with National Highways multiple times. I also raised the issue in the King's Speech debate in the House of Commons, suggesting that it feels that it is quicker to get around by sea than by roads in Chichester constituency.

I will continue to advocate for the improvements we need to the A27. I have asked my team to provide you with regular updates on my ongoing work in this area.

Thank you again for getting in touch.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jess Brown-Fuller". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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