

STAMFORD CHAMBER of TRADE and COMMERCE

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Dear Member

Further to our letter of 26th February, we would like to update you on various issues:

UPDATE: STAMFORD PAY PARKING

Our efforts failed to rectify the SKDC's incompetent pay parking charges which deny traders over 4,600 additional wallets weekly, and deprive SKDC's Council Tax Payers of £160,000 annually from Stamford alone. Surprisingly and disappointingly, not one Stamford Ward SKDC Councillor chose to speak on this at Full Council. This despite the full declared support of our proposals by our Town Council.

UPDATE: JUDICIAL REVIEW ON THE NON-SAVING OF RYHALL ROAD LINK PROTECTION CORRIDOR

We still await the preliminary decision of a High Court Judge on our application.

UPDATE: MORRISON PLANNING APPLICATIONS - EDGE OF TOWN RETAIL PARK

Morrison withdrew their appeal on their 2nd planning application, shortly before it was to be heard at Public Inquiry. This late withdrawal caused us to seek to recover from Morrison some of our costs wastefully incurred in briefing our legal team.

On Tuesday 25th March, 2008, Morrison's 3rd application was on the Agenda Paper to be approved by the SKDC Development Control Committee. However, the Committee Chairman announced that he had decided that discussion on this matter would be deferred, as additional information had come forward. During the meeting, the Stamford Property Co Ltd application was also deferred. Both to 29th April. Perhaps these two deferrals were a result of the enclosed copy letter and six plans which we sent before the Easter holiday to each elected councillor on the SKDC Development Control Committee.

In brief, our case remains that:

- (a.) the Morrison proposals for a new retail park on the old Blackstone site is a threat to business in the Town Centre, and would undermine the vitality and viability of the historic core of our Town.
- (b.) the Morrison proposals will encroach on the Protection Corridor for the Ryhall Road Link, making impossible the Ryhall Road Link, a possible 2nd Town Bridge, and an eventual Ring Road.

Our president Tim Lee 01780-482440, Vice President Andrew Leech 01780-762433, and our Environment & Traffic chief Eg. Gilman 01780-484888 are all able to answer questions.

Yours sincerely

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Secretary

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