

Appendix 2

Councillor Keith Glazier

Leader

County Hall
St Anne's Crescent
Lewes
East Sussex
BN7 1UE

01273 335020

cllr.keith.glazier@eastsussex.gov.uk



Sent via Email

Monday 19 March 2018

Dear Chris Grayling MP

Proposals for the creation of a Major Road Network

East Sussex County Council is an upper tier local authority representing over 540,000 residents of East Sussex. The attached consultation response has been considered and approved by the Council's Cabinet.

East Sussex County Council welcomes the Government's consultation on the creation of a Major Road Network (MRN), and believes the creation of the network could provide opportunities to improve part of the road network in East Sussex, boosting the local economy and providing resilience to the overloaded Strategic Road Network in the county.

While recognising the benefits the potential creation of a MRN will bring, and being on the whole supportive of the proposals laid out in the consultation, we have made some suggestions on how the proposals could be improved, including:

- An amendment to the focus of the six proposed Core Principles.
- Changes to the criteria used to define roads eligible for inclusion in the MRN.
- Additional roads which should be included in the MRN, based on the new criteria we have suggested.
- How responsibilities for the MRN should be delegated.
- Amendments to the make-up of the regional evidence bases, used to develop investment proposals for the MRN.
- Changes to the types of scheme which will be eligible for funding.
- Improvements to the Investment assessment criteria.

We believe that the amendments we have suggested will improve the already commendable proposals and allow the development of the MRN to provide opportunities for economic development and cross network resilience in East Sussex. Please see the attached consultation response form for full details of our suggestions.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "K. Glazier", written in a cursive style.

Councillor Keith Glazier
Leader