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Controversial Plans To Build Bypass Through Chichester



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Controversial plans to build a new bypass in the north of Chichester will be discussed in Lavant tonight (Tuesday 8th).

Hundreds of angry residents oppose proposals to create a faster route between Portsmouth and Eastbourne.

Highways England are considering six ideas, two of which include cutting through the West Sussex countryside.

The [Chichester Deserves Better](#) (CDB) campaign group are fighting for the government to make the decision to improve the existing A27 route, and not take the 'easy option' in the north.

The proposals are expected to go to public consultation in March 2016.

Mark Penfold, from the campaign group, told Spirit FM people should be informed now:

"We've got very, very little time just simply to warn the people of Chichester that this is happening, at least let everyone have their say.

"There's talk of the consultation being a month or even a few weeks, and we strongly believe a decision will have already been made by then."

You can hear our full interview with Mark Penfold below:

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