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'A27 fixes must be for our benefit'

Campaigners say upgrades must help local, not just through-traffic

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Residents are demanding that any improvements to the A27 serve Worthing drivers and not just just through-traffic.

People have raised concerns that changes designed for long-distance drivers will create problems for Worthing traffic and cut off the town from the South Downs National Park.

Pauline Cory, of Transition Town Worthing, said: "Highways England needs to pay particular attention to anyone trying to get in or out of Worthing during peak hours. The pinch points at Lancing Manor roundabout, Lyons Farm traffic lights and the notorious Grove Lodge roundabout directly affect many people travelling on the

north side of Worthing."

Meanwhile, others have pointed out that the A27 already has safety issues that need addressing.

John Hughes, of the North Durrington Residents' Group, said: "Even with present traffic volumes, exiting from many driveways or streets onto the A27 is a safety gamble. Air and noise pollution are having serious health impacts already."

These concerns come at a time of uncertainty for the A27, with plans to improve the road at Chichester recently scrapped. However, East Worthing & Shoreham MP Tim Loughton was told in the Commons on Monday that the plan for the Worthing stretch of the A27 improvement scheme 'remains unaffected'.