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Hi Jen

As our elected MP and resident of Thurrock, I am sure that you are fully aware of the devastation this crossing will have on our already dwindling green belt

In this locality we already have a proposed Data Centre and acres of solar fields. This area is fast becoming a concrete jungle anyway.

We currently have chaos and congestion with the Dartford Crossing – As local residents, we don't want the additional pollution and chaos on our roads, along with the massive new builds and other monstrosities that are being foisted upon the "Ockendons"...

We are all aware that nothing stays the same BUT with successive governments making driving for the "normal people" more and more expensive and difficult around the country, let alone in this part of Thurrock, we currently have ULEZ in North Ockendon/Upminster)

The Aging population (so many of our young people are priced out of driving) and the limited parking that the new builds offer, PLUS extortionate parking, all make driving a bit unappealing for them.

HENCE spending 10bn PLUS (as we know it will probably cost at least twice as much) on another road when you have more immediate and pressing things to pay for, seems ridiculous....Driving is being driven down, it doesn't make sense to build MORE huge roads in this area

As a Thurrock Resident, please think of us, use that 10bn wisely, don't blow it on a "vanity" project..It is NOT good for our futures

Thank you

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