Speech by Sue Cook to WinACC Open Meeting 25 February 2023

ACT (Action on Carbon in Twyford) and NVDA (Non-Violent Direct Action) against pollution

- 10 years ago Twyford residents and representatives held a Traffic Summit with Steve Brine MP to address our considerable traffic and pollution problems. The agenda then could be exactly the same now - except that the problems have increased.
- Our 'normal channels' of public representation seem to have gone little way in remedying this.
- Now different Twyford groupings with the same overall aim are planning NVDA to highlight our problems and the urgency of addressing them. *Action on Carbon in Twyford*, *Twyford Parish Council, St Mary's Church Twyford, the Cycle Bus and 20's Plenty* are working together on this, and recently held a village open day with presentations and discussion.
- Our aims are **to free Twyford and its residents *from*** vehicle pollution

  vehicle speed, emissions, volume, noise
- And so **to free Twyford and its residents *for***

  Less polluted air (our air pollution mirrors that of St George's Street central Winchester)

  Walking - safely and more healthily (as above)

  Cycling - safely and more healthily. We need a safe cycle route from Twyford to Winchester

  Safety – on our roads and streets through lower speed limits and less HGV traffic

  Public transport – improved, available, accessible, sustainable

We need to draw greater attention to pollution – local, national and global

We think global and act local. To reduce pollution locally, we must encourage users of our roads to walk, cycle, car share, slow down, use public transport…

We support Twyford and Colden Common's innovative Schools Cycle Bus:

In conjunction with this we aim to slow traffic on the B3335 through Twyford with

1. A **Rolling Road Block** of cyclists from Twyford PO to Hockley in both directions
2. A **Pedestrian Pelican Protest**, using the crossing opposite Twyford School constantly
3. Pedestrians with banners/posters etc advertising our aims.

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