

Margate – North West Bay River Bridge

Dr WOODRUFF question to MINISTER for INFRASTRUCTURE and TRANSPORT

Multiple residents of Margate have contacted me about your stalled work on the North West Bay River Bridge in Margate and the increased safety concerns of pedestrians and cyclists.

Jane asked me to say: Margate has a growing population, but we need infrastructure to keep up with this increase. North of Margate, there's the train and the Kingborough Bowls Club, popular with locals. To access these, you have to drive the very short distance from Margate town as it's far too dangerous to cross the bridge on foot. Sheer ridiculousness. I'm a local resident and will enjoy walking to Hopfields and then continue to the Margate train. Many afternoons now sees traffic entering Margate from the queue backed up along the highway to the train and some cars attempting to turn into Hopfields Brewery, it's extremely unsafe for pedestrians and cyclists. Minister, please don't turn the project into a major logistical drama. When will you act on this commitment to add a footpath/cycle path to the bridge?