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Subject: Have a healthy walk to school campaign (Walk2School)

Dear Co-ordinator and Chairman

Mike Smith has done a great job analysing the twice-daily Gosditch traffic invasion waves. It calls for tough love to get folks feet back on the ground literally. But please also consider getting a 'Have a healthy walk to school' campaign started with possible printed notices T-shirts etc which the children would take up! (AKa Walk2School).

In 1980 the village school only one teacher came by push bike and everyone walked to school. (When we first visited by car the headmistress was amazed we felt we needed to lock our car as crime was rare and folks left their doors unlocked, unlike today). How the village has changed.

In the late 80's UK Professor Charles Handy wrote "The Age of Unreason" forecasting people's expectation levels would soar to levels of unreasonableness due to a heady mixture of innovations and developments. McDonalds encouraged instant meals, computers could give faster & faster results and everyone got remote TV encouraging the '\$99 Magic Wand' syndrome thinking more and more. 'Managing Expectations' courses were born and today we witness the fall out of 30 years where people's expectations have gone exponential beyond all reasonableness and common sense. People expect to drive to village school in large numbers oblivious to the parking problems and residents considerations. It only comes to a head when an alternative plan is considered such as the latest Taylors Field and P5 / footpaths plan.

Thanks for your serious consideration.

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