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Dear Sirs

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Our London neighbours have LEP's similar to our LEP (local enterprise partnership) based in Chichester and named "Coast to Capital" in our case this includes West Sussex. Croydon and Epsom and Ewell.;

The South London group report maintains that the lack of transport infrastructure has constrained employment and that the figures quoted on page 21 indicates that 18.6 % of the population are inactive.

. The development proposals listed include an expansion in South Croydon adjacent to the A23, Sutton, Biggin Hill, Kingston and Chessington.

It is also understood that the South London group has decided to join the GLC LEP rather than establish their own LEP.

*The Reigate Society Transport Committee in conjunction with the other committees has produced reports that draw attention to concerns that the proposed population expansion within the borough and SE area will need housing and local work places and support facilities if;-

*Full employment is the objective together with export led growth.

*That the use of personal transport and garaging is to be discouraged .

*It may be that these objectives can be achieved without extra through traffic and pollution in Reigate, contingency plans have been suggested, but so far there are no proposals for a Relief or Ring Road with park and ride facilities.

*The Minister has now appointed an Inspector to consider the local development proposals.

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