P-04-556 No to Junction 41 closure

Petition wording:

We call upon the National Assembly for Wales to urge the Welsh Government

not to close Junction 41 of the M4 for the following reasons: 1. The closure

will negatively impact the town centre traders and businesses. 2. The closure

will cause traffic chaos in the town as residents try to access the motorway.

3. There has been insufficient consultation with the townspeople.4. Further

research is needed into alternative solutions.5. The new train station cannot

be a transport hub if it is not easily accessible. 6. It will adversely affect the

town redevelopment.

Additional Text: Again, the needs of motorists have been prioritised over

those of the people of Port Talbot. The town was desecrated when the

motorway was originally built through the heart of the town and now we are

expected to suffer the pollution whilst traffic passes through our town on

the way to somewhere else! The motorway, not the Steelworks, is the towns

biggest polluter, and yet we who breathe it in will be unable to gain access

to it. Plans to reroute the towns traffic through the streets will add to traffic

pollution and bring chaos. People of the town understand the issues with the

motorway but demand real consultation on options and alternatives. Please

give us a chance to protect our town.

Petition raised by: Rose David

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