Bus Service fears

who's standing up for West Hunsbury?

IN response to our recent survey, a number of residents have commented are no longer able to drive, or who that they are very worried about the possible loss of the number 28 bus service that covers West Hunsbury.

CURRENTLY this bus is a commercial service as far as Tesco, Mereway. The County Council then pays the bus operator to extend the service around Shelfleys, to provide the only bus service there apart from the number 12 at Camp Hill.

WITH the prospect of drastic cuts to the County Council budget, the money for the extension to the number 28 service could be cut.

THIS service is *essential* for people who cannot easily climb the hill to Camp Hill to access the bus service there. This includes people with disabilities and people with young children.

YOUR West Hunsbury Conservative County Councillor was asked if he was going to fight for the number 28 service. His response? "Should you discover that there is any change in the bus operations would you be good enough to keep me informed."

ISN'T this called shutting the stable door after the horse has bolted?

elderly people.

County Council.



FOCUS team wondering if the bus will ever come.

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Zebra crossing or Russian Roulette?

WHEN the zebra crossing was installed in front of the Camp Hill shop, local residents were delighted. People with reduced mobility no longer had to try to hurry across the road when there was a gap in the traffic. They could now use a proper crossing, and take their time.

BUT there is a problem. The visibility of the crossing for drivers approaching from either direction isn't very good, because the crossing is on the brow of a hill. Time and time again, drivers approach the crossing much too fast and have to brake very suddenly. Near misses have been reported.

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crossing, but these have long since gone.

BECAUSE we like to keep in touch with you all year round, we create a lot of leaflets at the Lib Dems.

YOUR FOCUS team will be taking this up with the

WHEN the crossing was originally installed there were

SOME local residents are asking for a warning sign to be installed by the County Council, possibly one warning of

signs to draw the attention of drivers to the new

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Children at risk?

CHILDREN using the footpath up from the West Lake Estate to walk to Hunsbury Park School along Hunsbury Hill Road are faced with traffic problems when they reach the road.

THE footpath ends in a barrier, and there is no footpath on that side of the road, so they have to cross the road, but there is no crossing, and bends in the road in both directions make it difficult to see traffic well ahead.

SOME local parents have raised this issue with the FOCUS team. We will be asking local traffic engineers whether a crossing is possible in this location. At the very least there should be signs warning drivers of children crossing.



Problems or concerns about your area?

Let us know in the space opposite and send this slip back to the Freepost address below. No stamp is needed!

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Address:	Email	(caps	please

Write your problems or concerns here!*

*If you need more room, attach this slip to a piece of paper and send both to us.



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I'd like to attend Liberal Democrat social events

I'd like more information about becoming a member

I will be supporting the Lib Dems at the r