

SW FSB Discussion on Transport

'Transport' is one of the issues that never goes away. And it affects every business.

What are the issues affecting your Branch or region?

If you had unlimited money, what changes in the transport system would you like to see?

But money is limited, so if you could choose just 3 changes, what would they be?

One of the big transport issues is parking. Local councils are being recommended to increase the cost of parking and reduce the number of parking places as part of 'demand management'. The idea being that if parking is harder we will use our cars less.

Has this affected your business?

How?

The idea behind 'demand management' is that it is a way to reduce congestion.

Is congestion a problem for you?

If it is a problem, how would you solve it in your town?

How would you solve it in your nearest city?

In the SW, we have been campaigning for a proper second strategic route as a viable alternative to the M4/M5 corridor. The Route has been the A303/A30. Is this sensible?

There are 2 major bottlenecks on the A303 section; at Stonehenge and the Blackdown Hills between Ilminster and Honiton. Stonehenge has been ruled out on grounds of cost, the Blackdown Hills because of environmental reasons. What do you think should happen?

One of the suggestions to reduce congestion is that more people should use public transport. Is this practicable?

These questions are the questions we get asked about on behalf of FSB members. Please do not be restricted by them. We would be grateful for all your thoughts and comments on transport.

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