

Ruthin & District Chamber of Trade  
c/o 6 Railway Terrace  
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Yn Gwasanaethau Cyfreithol a Democratidd  
Legal and Democratic Services Department  
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Dear Sirs,

The proposed one way system was recently discussed at the Chamber of Trade meeting. Significant concerns were expressed by the members of the Chamber. Members felt that the proposed system would:-

1. Reduce parking on Clwyd Street for businesses and residents alike
2. Cause delivery issues for the local businesses due to the loading time restrictions (for the avoidance of any doubt, it is impossible for business owners to demand that deliveries take place on certain fixed times during the day)
3. Enhance traffic levels by a dangerous amount on Market Street, drawing all traffic to the 5 point Bric Roundabout
4. Ultimately, further drawing passing traffic away from the town centre and away from the already dwindling number of businesses.

The members were also concerned that the proposed system has been designed and developed with a view of easing purported traffic problems as opposed to meeting the needs and requirements of the business owners within the town. It was felt, by some members, that the proposed system would actually cause more damage to their business as opposed to any improvement.

The issue of whether or not there was actually any traffic problems, was raised by some members, and at the same time it was questioned whether or not the financial commitment put into incorporating the scheme would not be better invested elsewhere.

What members believed would be of benefit was a scheme that would encourage on street parking but it remains unclear as to whether or not the proposed scheme will in fact achieve this.

We wish to emphasise that as a Chamber it is the success and growth of the business in the town which we wish to secure, promote and expand. What we wish to be convinced of is that the proposed one way system will not adversely affect those same businesses.

Yours faithfully,

Ruthin Chamber of Trade