

I wish to comment on the options for Victoria Street in Berry as part of the Berry Bypass.

I would much prefer that Victoria St remain open to traffic in both directions. Victoria St is a major thoroughfare in Berry & enables many residents to gain access to the highway without the need to drive down side streets. There has been considerable development on the western edge of Berry with The Grange, The Arbour & the BUPA Nursing home all opening onto Victoria St. Residents & staff of these locations can presently just drive a short distance down Victoria St to the highway. All this traffic would be forced to drive back into Berry with the majority turning into George St to gain access to the highway. Quite unnecessary & a huge impost on the residents of George St.

Then there are the residents of Windsor Drive & lower Victoria St who would add to the traffic congestion in George St. This increased traffic may also be a threat to the children of Berry Public School. By your own statistics there will an increase in traffic using Edward St & I would expect some of this would be from residents of Victoria St below George St. Parents dropping off their children in Victoria St will further add to the congestion.

Finally there is Mark Radium Park which is popular with travellers in particular. It is a most pleasant stop over & by my reckoning, the only true park (as opposed to rest areas with their toilets & not much else) between Berry & Milton which is easily accessible from the highway.

Yours sincerely

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