

The Newsletter of Westoning Parish Council

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Westoning Pelican Crossing to be replaced with new system

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We have learned today that Central Bedfordshire Council has decided to abandon its proposal to replace the High Street Pelican Crossing with a Zebra crossing.

The change of policy means that the current Pelican crossing will be replaced with an up-todate Pelican crossing with improved electronic controls that will be more reliable and repairable. This is great news for Westoning and shows that when a clear message is sent by a large number of residents, CBC is prepared to reconsider and change its plans.

A huge thankyou is due to the large number of Westoning residents who sent their objections to CBC. It just shows that a sound case, well presented and supported with valid evidence can achieve the desired result.

Thanks also to our local councillor, Cllr James Jamieson, who supported the Parish Council and the residents of Westoning. James' strong opposition to the council's proposal was an important factor in getting the proposal overturned.

While there is no date given for when the new crossing mechanism will be installed, it is likely to be done sometime in this calendar year. More information will be circulated as soon as it becomes available.