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Cc Helyn Clack-Chair Mole Valley Local Committee

Dear Mrs Spriggs

Re Beggars Lane/Drove Road Traffic Regulation Order

Beggars Lane, which passes through Wotton Parish, has sustained appalling damage from misuse by 'off roaders' mainly in 4x4 vehicles.

Wolvens Lane/Crockers Lane gives access to only one property and has been similarly abused. There has been a recent police operation to try to prevent this misuse and damage.

Wotton Parish Council considers that the current use of these byways is unsustainable and the ongoing financial expenditure of maintenance and repair is an inappropriate use of public funds which benefits a very small minority of users. These routes were established for access not for recreational purposes

The members of Wotton Parish Council strongly support the application of a traffic regulation order being applied to Beggars La and all BOATS downgrading them to bridleways with permanent closure to recreational vehicles which have not only destroyed these byways but cause a danger and nuisance to other users.

Yours sincerely

Ms F Hunter-Choat Clerk to Wotton Parish Council