Application Summary

Address: New Cut New Bridge Coronation Road/Cumberland

Road Bristol

Proposal:

New bridge to be constructed over River Avon New

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Cut, immediately opposite Camden Road, Southville.

Case Officer: Jonathan Coombs

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Customer Details

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Comments Details

Commenter

Type: Amenity - Residents Group

Stance: Customer objects to the Planning Application

Comments: The Bristol Civic Society supports the proposal to build a

new bridge at this location to meet the increased demand for greater pedestrian/cyclist capacity across the Avon New Cut. The Society opposes the current planning application because (i) The application should promote a more interesting bridge design and (ii) The Cumberland Road access ramps junction with the Chocolate Path and the former railway tunnel require further consideration. A simple box section bridge is too unimaginative. The Avon New Cut is one of the city's important geographical and historical features. The walks along its banks and the views up and down the river are a visitor attraction. It is important that the new bridge equals the quality the bridges designed of our predecessors and creates a worthy visual legacy. The design and access statement includes several design options, the Society's preferred choice is the third option; the cable stayed inclined A frame pylon bridge. The Society does not accept the reason given in the design and access statement to dismiss this option, which is a visually more interesting and stimulating structure. The Society doubts that the pylon or cable stays would cast any shadow over properties on the bridge's northern side. If it threw a shadow, any shadow would be narrow and transient