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Armstrong demands meeting with Minister to discuss state of B160 Stewartstown to Coagh Road

Mid-Ulster MLA Billy Armstrong has demanded a meeting with the Regional Development Minister, Conor Murphy MP, MLA, to demand action to improved the state of the B160 Stewartstown to Coagh Road.

The Ulster Unionist representative said;

“I have been approached by a number of constituents who have complained about the state of the B160 and as a regular user of that road myself, I have to say that I am in full agreement with them.

This road is the main route taken to bypass Cookstown for traffic coming from the north and east of the Province heading for Armagh and Enniskillen, and as a result it carries a great deal of traffic.

I have long been campaigning for this road to be both upgraded and at the very least properly resurfaced. The recent cold spell, coupled with the ongoing works to facilitate the new Water Treatment Works, have made a bad situation even worse. As a result of the pipe laying for the WT works, traffic is forced to use one side of the road only and this is causing even more damage.

I have written to the Minister and invited him to visit the area to see the state of this road for himself. If he takes up my offer he will see that I am not exaggerating the extent of the damage to this road and I am convinced that he would be moved to immediate remedial action be taken.”

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