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Noise disruption is probably one of the major concerns. Noise during track racing over 20 days of track usage with the additional setting up and communications testing for the rest of the 65 days, has not been correctly faced. Just ignored. What is being done to keep noise to a minimum. Why is there no methodology for noise measurement? How does this effect residents and wildlife? What checks have been done to ensure that our lives in the village of Hornton and surrounding countryside will not be blighted by motor noise far exceeding the permissible.

Roads for access, egress – how many vehicles every weekend will be passing through the village or along the nearby lanes and not just vehicles, transit vehicles, caravans, cars plus trailers – what and how will we be protected by this increase in traffic. No traffic management schemes listed.

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Please listen to the people and voices of those who live and love Hornton. We must have our say.

Annie Connor