

# The Ultimate Bypass for Tunbridge Wells, Pembury and Colt's Hill

The text below is from the Pembury Society web page for The Local Plan and accompanies bypass maps.

Full online details here - <https://pembury.org/society/planning-applications/local-plan/>

This is the infrastructure Tunbridge Wells, Pembury, Tudeley and Paddock Wood needs for the 21st Century.

The 'Maidstone Road link' makes a logical connection with the Colt's Hill Bypass and eases 'rat-run' traffic through Matfield.

The added branch (Longfield Road Link) to the A21 would relieve Pembury of the Industrial and Retail traffic from Tudeley & Paddock Wood.

It would also allow Tudeley & Paddock Wood traffic easier access to the A21 for Sevenoaks, London and the M25.

Without this link all the traffic destined for Sevenoaks, London & the M25 would probably access the A21 at Pembury.

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Traffic from the East (Maidstone, Tudeley, Paddock Wood, etc) traveling on the Colt's Hill Bypass would have 3 choices –

- (1) Toward Kipping's Cross for Hastings, Rye, Eastbourne, Lewes, East Grinstead, Crowborough, Tunbridge Wells (south and west), .....  
*.....Without the Maidstone Road link road Matfield would be rat-run for A21/Kipping's Cross traffic.*
- (2) Toward Longfield Road for the Industrial and Retail parks, Cinema & Leisure complex, Tonbridge, Sevenoaks, M25, and London.  
*.....Without the Longfield Road link road Woodsgate Corner (A264/A228) at Pembury would suffer even greater traffic congestion.*
- (3) Toward Pembury (A228) for Pembury, the hospital, central Tunbridge Wells and local destinations.

