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I am writing with regards to the potential closure of the Penleigh crossing in Westbury and my concerns over future safety issues.

Whilst crossing the railway line is extremely dangerous, at least there are warning signs to notify you a train is coming.

If the crossing was to be closed, in my opinion the alternative route is higher risk. On leaving Amazon Way, and taking the alternative route, this would involve walking along the narrow path under the railway bridge, on Station Road, which is not wide enough to accommodate more than one person at a time and definitely not a pushchair or wheelchair. I attach a photo of the path.

There is no safe crossing point along Station Road due to the bend in the road, the raised pathway and fence and also the speed that the cars drive down that road. People would need to cross the busy road twice to avoid the narrow pathway mentioned above.

In addition pedestrians would have to walk along another busy route, Oldfield road, which again is very narrow and without pavement in some areas.

I would suggest, if the crossing must be closed, either a bridge should be erected or work would need to be conducted to make a safe pavement down Station Road and Oldfield Road particularly as many school children use the route.

I may also like to enquire why after four years of the Spinnaker Estate being built, there is now a requirement to close the crossing.





