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Subject: Opposition to the planned closure of the pedestrian railway crossing at Penleigh Park.
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Dear Ali

As part of the consultation process reference the planned closure of the railway crossing at Penleigh Park Westbury, as a local resident, I wish to show my opposition to this closure.

The suggestion of an extra 1km alternative route is unacceptable- it's pushing a problem further down the road- if in fact there are even any issues with this crossing. In the 18 years of living in Westbury, I have not heard of any incidences occurring with this crossing.

Network Rail and the home builders of the Spinnaker estate would have been fully aware that this crossing would be used by more people once the houses were built. This should have been considered before planning was approved.

This level crossing has many safety features, a traffic light system, an audible alarm and the train drivers using their klaxon. This crossing has more safety features than the new suggested route which I believe is unsuitable for vulnerable people to use.

The pavement under the railway bridge is single file only, on occasions this road floods. Asking people to cross potentially three main roads to access the local amenities, like the schools seems ridiculous. Both Station Road and Oldfield Road are notoriously busy especially at peak times- how are pedestrians expected to navigate crossing these roads? I can only envisage more safety concerns. Network Rail should not be allowed to off load their responsibilities of safety because they believe crossing roads are safer.

The only safety issue I can see with this crossing is the uneven stoney steps leading from the level crossing each side. They are a trip hazard which could be rectified by adding more hard-core....

Please could my objections be considered when this planning proposal / decision is made.

Kind regards

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