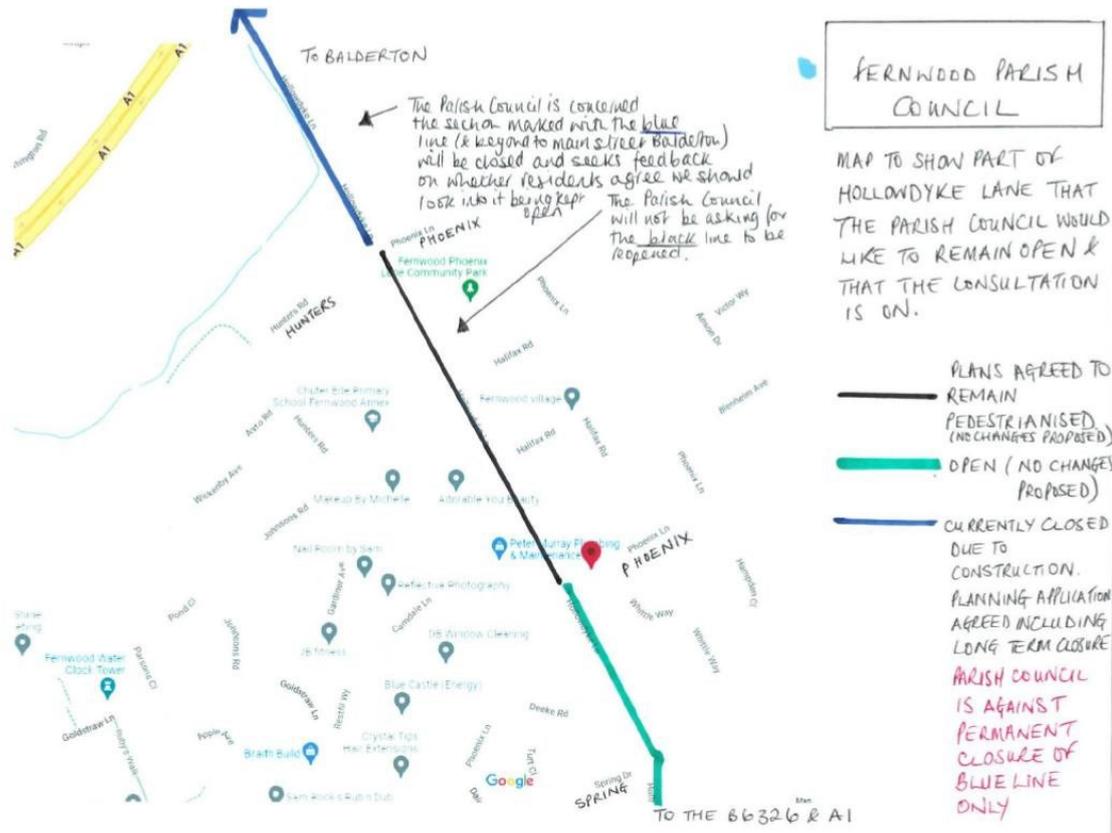


Hollowdyke Lane Survey Results



Prepared by: Marion Fox Goddard, Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

Date: January 9th 2023

1. Introduction

In October 2022, Fernwood Parish Council published an online survey regarding Hollowdyke Lane in Fernwood. The full questions can be found in [Appendix 1 – page 8](#). This was promoted through the Parish Council Facebook page and website and shared to the two local Facebook groups¹.

The survey was closed on January 4th, 2023, but all responses were received by November 8th, 2022. This document contains the results of the survey. This document will be included in the agenda pack for the Parish Council meeting to be held on January 16th, 2023, and the Council will discuss how to proceed at that meeting.

2. Survey results

Results to questions 1 to 8c are on [pages 3 to 6](#) of this document. [Appendix 3](#) contains the results to question 9.

3. Other items to note

- a. Following residents raising concerns regarding the speed of traffic using Hollowdyke Lane, Fernwood Parish Council wrote to Nottinghamshire County Council to request speeding tubes on the lane to measure the speed of vehicles using the lane (with details of the location of where the tubes would be most appropriate). NCC has said that this cannot be seen as a justifiable exercise (full response in [Appendix 2](#)). With this in mind, we have obtained quotes from private companies to do this work on behalf of the Parish Council.
- b. Representatives of the Parish Council were due to meet with senior NCC and Via East Midlands officers in December. This meeting was cancelled at short notice by NCC. We have written to NCC to let them know issues that the Parish Council would like to discuss and await their feedback. The Parish Council has made it clear that we want to work with NCC/Via East Midlands to address highways issues in Fernwood.

4. How to proceed

Fernwood Parish Council is to consider how they wish to proceed based on the feedback received.

The Council is asked to consider whether

- a. to obtain quotes for commissioning work to investigate feasible options on keeping the north end of Hollowdyke Lane open (linking to Main Street Balderton).
- b. to use a private company to obtain data on the speed of traffic on Hollowdyke Lane to aid the Council in deciding on how to proceed regarding the speed of traffic on Hollowdyke Lane.²
- c. any other action should be taken

¹ MyFernwood Residents Group and Fernwood Village Newark

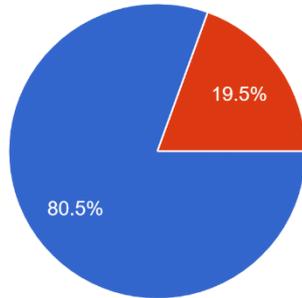
² The delivery of any changes related to a second planning application from Allison Homes is estimated to be approximately 10 years away. If the traffic survey indicates that traffic is going significantly above the advisory 20 mph, the council could consider approaching NCC/Via East Midland to suggest using community infrastructure levy funds to do the work necessary to reduce speed limit.

5. Results

Question 1

Did you know that there are plans to permanently close Hollowdyke Lane (from Phoenix Lane to Balderton) to cars after the construction of the new road (the new road will only be open to push bikes, pedestrians, and buses).

318 responses



● Yes
● No

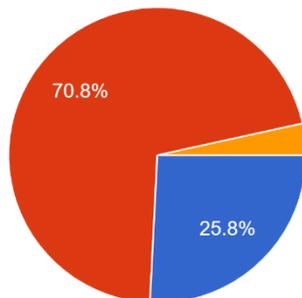
Yes 256

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Question 2

Are you in favour of the permanent closure?

318 responses



● Yes
● No
● No opinion/don't know

Yes 82

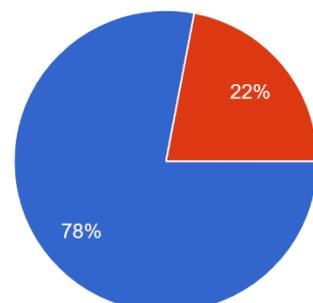
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No opinion/Don't know 11

Question 3

Before the current closure, did you ever use Hollowdyke Lane (the section of the road that is currently closed, leading to Main Street, Balderton) to access Balderton, Coddington and beyond ?

318 responses



● Yes
● No

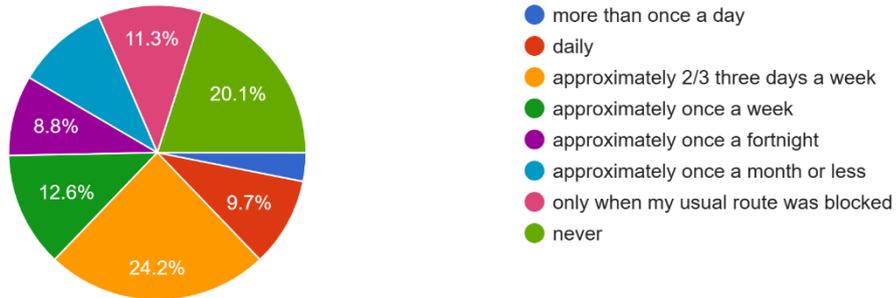
Yes 248

No 70

Question 4

How often did you use this route?

318 responses

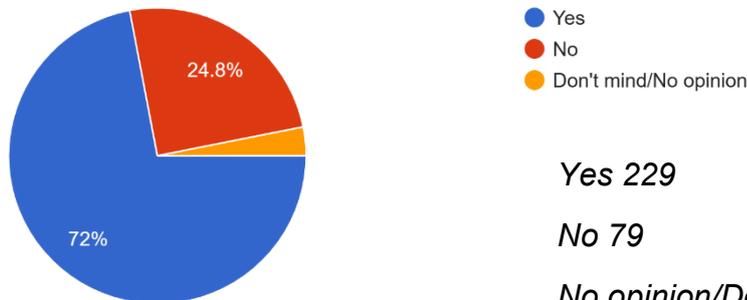


More than once a day 10, Daily 31, Approx 2/3 days a week 77, Approximately once a week 40, Approximately once a fortnight 28, Approximately once a month or less 32, Only when my usual route was blocked 36, Never 64

Question 5

Fernwood Parish Council is against the long term closure of Hollowdyke Lane. Do you support Fernwood Parish Council in its attempts to investigate options to keep this road open to cars/vans?

318 responses



Yes 229

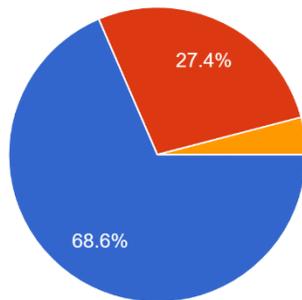
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No opinion/Don't know 10

Question 6

Will the permanent closure of Hollowdyke Lane be inconvenient to you?

318 responses



- Yes
- No
- Don't mind/No opinion

Yes 218

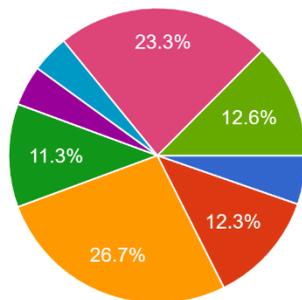
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No opinion/Don't know 13

Question 7

If Hollowdyke Lane were to reopen, please indicate how much you think you would use it to leave Fernwood in the direction of Main Street Balderton.

318 responses



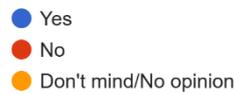
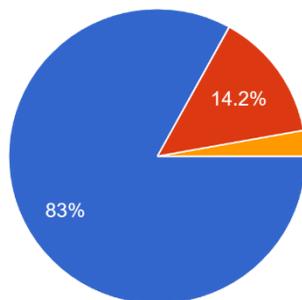
- more than once a day
- daily
- approximately 2/3 three days a week
- approximately once a week
- approximately once a fortnight
- approximately once a month or less
- only when the B6326 is blocked
- never

More than once a day 17, Daily 39, Approx 2/3 days a week 85, Approximately once a week 36, Approximately once a fortnight 14, Approximately once a month or less 13, Only when my usual route was blocked 74, Never 40

Question 8a

In 2021, advisory 20mph were put up on Hollowdyke Lane. However, the mandatory speed limit is 60mph. a. Would you support the Parish Cou...mpting to get the mandatory speed limit to 30mph?

318 responses



Yes 264

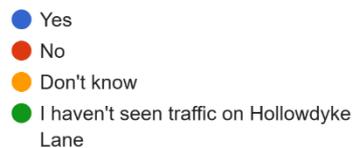
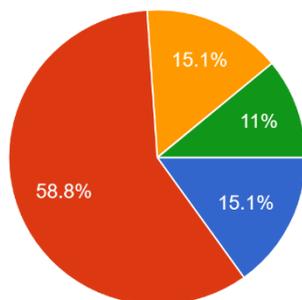
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No opinion/Don't know 9

Question 8b

b. If you have seen traffic on Hollowdyke Lane recently, do you think vehicles are taking notice of the 20mph advisory signs?

318 responses



Yes 48

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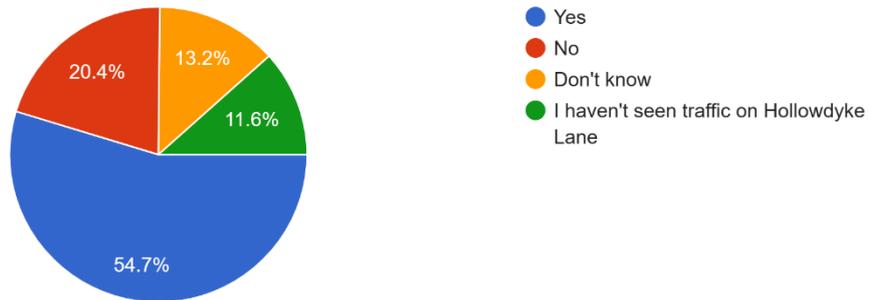
Don't know 48

I haven't seen traffic on Hollowdyke Lane 35

Question 8c

c. If you have seen traffic on Hollowdyke Lane recently, do you think vehicles are going too fast?

318 responses



Yes 174

No 65

Don't know 42

I haven't seen traffic on Hollowdyke Lane 37

Question 9

The Parish Council would appreciate any other feedback you have in relation to these matters or any other issue you would like to raise.

Full answers to this question are found in Appendix 2.

Approximately once a month or less

Only when my usual route was blocked

5. Fernwood Parish Council is against the long term closure of Hollowdyke Lane. Do you support Fernwood Parish Council in its attempts to investigate options to keep this road open to cars/vans?

Yes

No

No opinion/don't know

6. Will the permanent closure of Hollowdyke Lane be inconvenient to you?

Yes

No

No opinion/don't know

7. If Hollowdyke Lane were to reopen, please indicate how much you think you would use it to leave Fernwood in the direction of Main Street Balderton?

More than once a day

Daily

Approx 2/3 days a week

Approximately once a week

Approximately once a fortnight

Approximately once a month or less

Only when the B6326 is blocked

Never

8. In 2021, advisory 20mph were put up on Hollowdyke Lane. However, the mandatory speed limit is 60mph.

a Would you support the Parish Council in attempting to get the mandatory speed limit to 30mph?

Yes

No

No opinion/don't know

b. If you have seen traffic on Hollowdyke Lane recently, do you think vehicles are taking notice of the 20mph advisory signs?

Yes

No

Don't know

I haven't seen traffic on Hollowdyke Lane

c. If you have seen traffic on Hollowdyke Lane recently, do you think vehicles are going too fast?

Yes

No

Don't know

I haven't seen traffic on Hollowdyke Lane

9. The Parish Council would appreciate any other feedback you have in relation to these matters or any other issue you would like to raise.

10. Postcode

11. House number

12. Email address

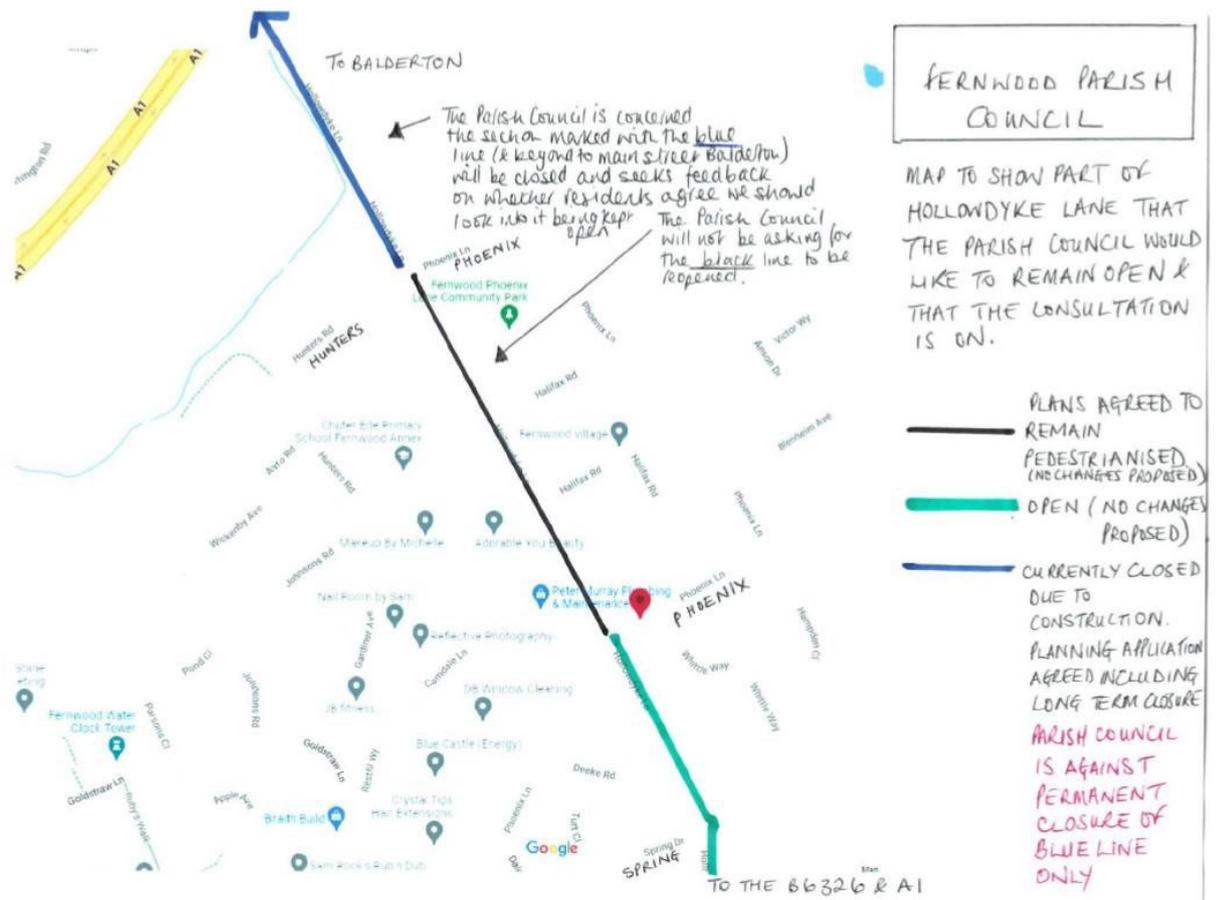
13. Please indicate if you want to be kept up to date by Fernwood Parish Council regarding Hollowdyke Lane.

Keep me informed

Don't contact me.

The survey was published on October 3rd, 2022.

On October 7th, 2022 at 11.13am the following diagram was published.



Appendix 2: The Parish Council's request for speeding tubes on Hollowdyke Lane and final response from Via Easy Midlands

From: REDACTED@viaem.co.uk
Sent: 09 January 2023 11:01
To: 'clerk@fernwood-pc.co.uk' <clerk@fernwood-pc.co.uk>
Subject: HAMS Ref 6265769: Speeding Tube Request - Hollowdyke Lane

Dear Marion,

Further to your recent email with regards to the Speeding Tubes request for Hollowdyke Lane.

We have given this much thought and our conclusion is much in line with the discussion we had, when we last met.

We use speed monitoring in urban zones as a way of measuring speeds against 30/40mph limits. As these limits are not applicable to the stretch in question, and given that ongoing developments mean that there are still changes to layout of the roads and therefore speed limits in that area, we would be gaining nothing from any data collected in terms of future determinations of speed limits.

As we need to manage our resources and costs, this cannot be seen as a justifiable exercise.

For that reason I have to advise that we will not proceed on this occasion.

There will have been discussions with Cllr. Lee and so he may be aware of our consideration.

I offer my apologies if we/I have not formally confirmed our position to you, but I do hope that you understand our reasoning.

Kind regards.
REDACTED
Highways Liaison Coordinator
Via East Midlands Ltd.

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Head Office: Bilsthorpe Highways Depot, Bilsthorpe Business Park,
Eakring Road, Bilsthorpe, Newark NG22 8ST

From: clerk@fernwood-pc.co.uk <clerk@fernwood-pc.co.uk>
Sent: 28 September 2022 14:04
To: 'Customer Service Centre' <enquiries@nottsc.gov.uk>
Cc: Councillor John Lee <Cllr.John.Lee@nottsc.gov.uk>
Subject: HDL speeding tube request - Please respond

Good afternoon,

We have recently been contacted by a resident in our parish who expressed concerns over the speed of traffic on Hollowdyke Lane, Fernwood. This is a 60 mile per hour road with advisory 20 mph signage. This issue was also raised in feedback from a recent Crime Survey that the Council conducted. When Fernwood Parish Council discussed this at their meeting on Monday night, one of our councillors confirmed that he regularly takes his dogs down there and witnesses traffic going very fast.

The Council believes now is the time to look at the speed of the traffic using this road in more detail and see if the 20mph advisory signs are being adhered to at all. We request speeding tubes for at least a week to get firm data on this. I attach a document where I have indicated where the Council thinks the strips would be most beneficial.

We know a lot of residents cross this road and walk down it to exercise their dogs in the fields at the edge of Fernwood and want to ensure the safety of pedestrians on the road and would appreciate your help in assessing the extent of this issue.

Best wishes,
Marion Fox Goddard
Parish Clerk
Fernwood Parish Council

Appendix 3: Full Answers to Question 9

The Parish Council would appreciate any other feedback you have in relation to these matters or any other issue you would like to raise.

1	As a resident whose house is directly next to Hollowdyke Lane, the fact that it wasn't a road was one of the reasons we bought the house. We would certainly not want a busy road that close to the house and would have a lot of concerns about attempting to widen the road and thus encroaching on our property. We like the peace and quiet of our location and would absolutely oppose the road being reopened I'm afraid.		
2	You need to actually concentrate on what you are paid for . wasting Parish Council's money and chasing a project you have already been told will not happen		
3	You are probably aware that there has been increased use of the lane by youths using motorcycles or mini motorcycles as a race track, which is dangerous, noisy and probably illegal as some do not wear helmets and the bikes may not be taxed or insured. A speed restriction would be a good thing.		
4	Without Hollowdyke Lane there is only one route in & out of Fernwood, yet many more houses are being built as well as the new services and the exponential increases in traffic!		
5	With the frequency of the A1 being blocked it is essential that there is another route out		
6	Will be another option to get of fernwood		
7	Whilst I have not previously used Hollowdyke Lane, this is due to being resident for only 1 year and the temporary closure already being in place. I think given the amount of roadworks planned which will potentially cause backlogs on the B6326, and as a result increasing risk of serious harm should emergency access / exit of Fernwood be required. Also the impact on residents needing to take children to school and people needing to go to work who cannot exit Fernwood due to road works or increase in traffic from the ill planned location of the new services.		
8	When we and our neighbours purchased our homes we were told that Hollowdyke Lane would be for footpath use only. To have a busy road within 13 metres of our front door, and 2.5 metres from the driveway is totally unacceptable!! We would contest this most vigorously.		
9	When walking home from school and having the cars speeding down is dangerous!!(from Chuterede ede along Phoenix to new builds) also it doesn't help that the pedestrian crossing that was there (the path on Phoenix lane) was removed! it is quiet blind, also there is a lot of motorcycles that come speeding down hollowdyke lane from balderton to great north road on a night time opening it up to cars would encourage car racers as it's a straight run And if the cars were not parked on the corner opposite a junction(Phoenix lane -dale way) the opening of hollowdyke wouldn't be as desirable to avoid a pedestrian or car accident		
10	What'd be great is keeping the road infrastructure from the start to end of Hollodyke and adding a bike lane. Or more paths.		
11	We should never have only one way in and out of fernwood it's dangerous and I'm concerned the bridge wasn't built for the intent of all this traffic.		
12	We purchased our home at 34 Halifax Road with the understanding that Hollowdyke Lane, from Phoenix Lane to Main Street Balderton would be permanently closed to motorised traffic and would be open to pedestrian traffic only. To have a main road 13 metres from our front door and 2.5 metres from the end of the driveway is totally unacceptable.We would contest any proposal to open Hollowdyke Lane to motorised traffic most vigorously.		
13	We need to keep another route in and out of fernwood.		
14	We need this road opening,when there is any hold up on the A1 we are blocked off from any route other than going over the A1		
15	We need another route out of Fernwood to balderton. Without having to use the A1! If it does re open it needs to be widened and or plenty of passing places. Also there's going to be a lot of accidents and close calls with the services junction. I'm worried about using it myself. Unless it's a mandatory left turn exit.		
16	We need an emergency exit from the village when the A1 accidents occur.		
17	We need a way out of Fernwood if road blocked		
18	We need a secondary route out of the village		

19	<p>We moved to Fernwood because of its close links to the A1 and the A46 meaning travelling by car is important to us and is our main way of travelling to and from work. The lack of buses travelling into the town centre forces other residents of Fernwood to also be reliant on cars.</p> <p>As soon as there is an accident or roadworks blocking access into Fernwood from Balderton, Fernwood becomes gridlocked, once taking us nearly an hour in peak times during the roundabout roadworks, to leave the street, not just getting out of Fernwood. A second route out of the village, that does not include back tracking the wrong direction down the A1 is needed to minimise traffic. The increase in houses being built is going to make this worse when these are completed.</p>		
20	<p>We have horses at Barnby. We moved here 10 years ago thinking we could access Holodyke Road. It is not convenient for us to drive around and increases the time pressures on our day. Especially if there are problems in A1 or roadworks over the brindle. We are very much against long term closure of Hollodyke Road and believe we should be able to have the option to access our community using this route.</p>		
21	<p>We are new to Fernwood and never knew the road as it was? We use it to cycle and walk to Balderton and Newark, it is too narrow for lots of cars and would welcome a ban on cars, however I feel that motorcycles, mopeds and busses should be able to use it but at 30mph max in my opinion for pedestrian sake. There are other roads that cars can use that have pavements and cycle lanes to keep those safe</p>		
22	<p>We are like at island with 1 way in and out of fernwood, for the thousands of homes built and being built here it is not a good idea to have only 1 road for access for all these homes and people</p>		
23	<p>Traffic turning onto phoenix lane from hollowdyke Lane, especially lorries causes issues due to no give way sign. I live close to this junction and witness it often</p>		
24	<p>This will become a thoroughfare for all of the traffic through Fernwood and a cut through to avoid the new services. They should carry out the roadworks which were originally agreed as part of the planning for the services. It strikes me that this is a cheaper option to ease the traffic problems which anyone with half a brain could see from a mile off. This will affect the residents who have had no say and made no money out of this, please remember who you are meant to represent.</p>		
25	<p>This road needs to be re opened not only for us to safely exit Fernwood when there are problems on the a1 but also because with the new houses there is too much traffic going to come through Fernwood. Phoenix Lane is now dangerous for our school children to cross and it'll only get worse</p>		
26	<p>This road need widening and then can be used to access the main road to reduce traffic through fernwood</p>		
27	<p>This questionnaire has been answered on behalf of myself and my partner from the same address. We highly support this. We think this is a common sense response. We will do anything we can to support the Parish Council in this decision.</p>		
28	<p>This is the only other access from fernwood ,should we not be able to get out of fernwood due to accident, road works etc, which when the last road works were done it caused chaos and in some cases over an hour on people's journeys</p>		
29	<p>This is not the responsibility of the parish council. Why are you spending money from taxpayers' on staff salaries by doing something that isn't in its jurisdiction?</p>		
30	<p>This is giving people false hope</p>		
31	<p>There needs to be another way in and out of Fernwood, currently any problems on A1 bridge then how are we to get in and out of our homes? It is dangerous trying to cross the A1 as an alternative especially for the volume of traffic that would need to do so if the other road is blocked. When I moved here Hollowdyke lane was open then when new development started it was closed off, no warning, I knew of planned new development but not the road closure. With more houses and more cars it's even more important to have the road infrastructure. If the road couldn't be kept open safely then the new development should not have been able to go ahead as where did they expect all the traffic to go and it is residents who suffer from this lack of foresight having difficulties getting to and from their homes. Also how are emergency services supposed to get to Fernwood if this road is not open and the only other way in is blocked, it puts the residents lives at risk in an emergency</p>		
32	<p>There is concern over traffic in front of the nursing home if access through the main street is open. concerned about cars using the road as a rat run . The whole road should be closed at all times.</p>		

33	The whole estate was badly planned. Pheonix and Hunters will be badly affected by overuse of vehicles now if it was to reopen. The stretch from Pheonix to the school is not wide enough to take traffic. The parish has had its priorities wrong with regards on running the estate and how it is planned since I came to Fernwood. Yes investigate it but the wound is to big to be fixed. A whole traffic survey of the estate would be a better idea. How Goldstraw is crammed with parked cars. How pavements are continually blocked. How only one route is going to be used by thousands of cars a day that's Goldstraw and Pheonix. Lots of questions!		
34	The signage at the balderton end needs to be better. Countless times I have encountered vehicles stuck trying to go that way.		
35	The sheer noise level early am of Lorries, vans speeding constantly as Lane is used for all the building site entrances (even weekends) Myself and daughter regularly use this Lane for cycling and have had a number of scary moments due to speeding vehicles Many families use this Lane for cycling, dog walks, running etc surprised no one has been injured		
36	The safety concerns of this road outweigh some residents' requests for easier access/convenience. Please do consider those who live by this road with children, it's simply not safe to reopen and as someone living in the new part - I do not feel it is fair for the new homes to constantly bare the brunt of people's frustrations. This is a new build village - people need to accept development!		
37	The road links to the new fernwood development (Phoenix lane and beyond) are inadequate to support the amount of new homes and new traffic. The existing hollowdyke lane only allows single file traffic which makes no sense. The road needs widening and access each end of hollowdyke to allow us to enter and exit the village which we are only currently able to do via Goldstraw/Dale way which are both so convoluted with parked cars on the road that it is no easy feat whatsoever. It makes us want to consider selling and leaving for a better planned estate and we know many people who have moved from Fernwood for the very reason of the heavy traffic and dangerous parking on the roads. The roads in fernwood have been disastrously planned (which is no doubt the fault of the developer) but once adopted by the council these need urgent attention to rectify. Also, making the black area of hollowdyke pedestrian only will force traffic through phoenix lane via Whittle Way which is not a wide enough road to support the through traffic. It is therefore not sensible to make the black area pedestrian only - traffic needs a means of getting through safely. This means widening the road, having a large pedestrian footpath and speed bumps where necessary. For the amount of new homes, there are no public transport links. If there was a train or bus route it would be much simpler and no doubt increase house value and residents general contentedness living here and remaining here, allowing them to invest and enjoy the village.		
38	The road isn't needed to be open, it should be left for walkers and bikes. It does however need to be set up as an emergency route when the A1 bridge is closed.		
39	The road is too narrow for the construction traffic and the lorries drive along it far too fast. Boy racers in cars and on noisy motorbikes use it at high speeds because they know they won't be caught. It would be better turned into a proper pedestrian and bicycle loop around Fernwood to protect the safety of people using it. A maximum speed of 20mins should be enforced with speed humps placed regularly along the straights. The edges of the road need protecting properly from the heavy traffic using it too. I have lived next to it since 2008 and have noticed the speed of traffic increasing and that the wildlife has decreased dramatically since the construction traffics started in earnest. Birds and wildlife that used to visit our garden never comes any more. It's a real shame.		
40	The road is too narrow for cars so it would be fatal to have it open to traffic. Good for pedestrians etc as they can walk there safely.		
41	The road is predominantly used by pedestrians and cyclists. The road is not wide enough in places for traffic as well.		
42	The road is not suitable for 2 way drive as too narrow. And according to the development schedule, it used to be permanently closed for vehicles except buses, not fair to those who buy the house based on this		
43	The road has become safer for pedestrians and cyclists (it is a favourite running route for me)		
44	The reopening of Hollowdyke Lane would improve access to all parts of Fernwood for emergency vehicles. Developing areas such as Fernwood village should also be fully integrated into the logistical capabilities of older parts of the town, rather than having limiting factors imposed that create a culture of separation and isolation.		

45	The parish council seriously damaged their reputation by bludging one residence against another. The positive aspect of this is that more of the Village seem to be contemplating running as a member of the Council and this will hopefully see a shift in the central Fernwood mindset .		
46	The parish council is absolutely incompetent in such a way that it asks people to say whether the speed is moving fast and then in the other direction this road is open. Opening the road makes you realize that cars will go faster as they will cut off to exit the main road. .		
47	<p>The long term closure of hollowdyke lane gives no alternative safe options in situations where the a1 bridge is closed to traffic accessing fernwood or leaving fernwood without the use of the a1 (with possibility of making legal but unsafe manoevers to cross the carriageway ie drive a1 south to fen lane then do u turn in junction to rejoin a1 northbound, or leave the a1 to access fernwood south of the village (turning left on a1 south past fernwood without a slip road), or alternatively going via claypole, stubton, beckingham into newark; or via long bennington and hawron lane into newark - which would take approx 15 mins extra.</p> <p>The new service station, building on the main road with roundabouts, and further junction work as the village and surrounding areas are further developed leaves us with a massive dependency on the existing road between fernwood and newark. Keeping hollowdyke lane open for a further 10 years or until all the house building was complete would be better than having it closed off, as it is. I am aware that bollards could be lowered in emergwn y situations to allow teaffic from fernwood into newark, but not the other way. This all sounds like it hasn't been fully thought about, nor plicatoons on residents and visitors undersood.</p>		
48	The estate is an island connected to Newark and the A1 by a wholly inadequate B-road (the B6326). The 'service' station has added to the potential for residents to be trapped on the estate without a road on or off when there are problems on the A1. Keeping Hollowdyke Lane as a potential route to and from the estate at least gives an option. Another issue is the narrowing of the road by Allison Homes - HGVs using the 'services' will now have to negotiate FOUR roundabouts and a narrowed road in order to access the southbound A1. The narrowed road ends very abruptly with a distinct corner edge of paving. When an HGV crushes this or bursts a tyre on the sharp edge there will be no means of access or egress to and from Fernwood. There seems to be a distinct lack of communication between the various departments of Newark town council, not least that the construction of the 'services' should not have commenced before the appropriate road infrastructure was in place.		
49	The current plans for Hollowdyke lane are sufficient as it would open for vehicular traffic if other routes were blocked. If it was open all the time there would be traffic accidents at the junction with Main Street.		

50	<p>The closure of hollowdyke Lane to motor vehicles has caused access problems in and out of our village for me, my family and many residents.</p> <p>The A1 is regularly at a standstill many times a week. This causes traffic build up around both entry and exit from the A1 to be blocked, so this then traps us in our village.</p> <p>Before hollowdyke Lane was closed (against the residents of Fernwoods wishes) we had another route in and out of the village.</p> <p>This was also used daily for parents to get their children to and from church school.</p> <p>So now when they get stuck in the village with no way out, they are in panic mode with their kids stuck at school.</p> <p>This is also the same for emergency services, they too cannot get in and out of the village now our access in and out has been taken away without our consent.</p> <p>The worst of all is, Hollowdyke lane is in the parish of Fernwood where we the parishioners have been engaged.</p> <p>There is a feeling decisions have been made by anti fernwood committees and outside agendas and they have caused distress and a feeling of corruption in the local Authority.</p> <p>The feeling of distrust in its representatives involved in the scandalous decision to leave our village with 1/3 of its access taken away from us causing distress and anger is high.</p>		
51	<p>The closure is a genuine concern. When we bought our house we didn't expect to feel like an island. Fernwood has one of the poorest bus services in the country and no need for a bus only route. Absolutely insane. The bottom of hollowdyke lane also provides the perfect exit out of Fernwood. As a village we are already poorly serviced by one road to enter and exit - with the introduction of the petrol station we are very concerned about being marooned should there be any traffic or incidents. There's a rubbish explanation that it "can" be opened - how long will this take if there's an accident?</p>		
52	<p>The Balderton exit of Hollowdyke Lane would need to be made safer if the road were to open along with wider passing places, like the ones at the top end of the lane. We need another way in and out of the village in case of accidents on the A1 or roadworks on the B6326.</p> <p>We also use Hollowdyke regularly as pedestrians on foot, so would need for it to be safe to continue to walk and/or bike down.</p>		
53	<p>The adherence to the speed limit may be due to the awareness of the high number of contractor vehicles moving to and from the Barrett/David Wilson development. If Hollowdyke Lane was reopened it would ensure that there was an escape route from Fernwood in the event of an emergency. If it can't be opened for all traffic then residents should be reassured that emergency vehicles could use the Lane if necessary. This could be ensured by using rising bollards.</p>		
54	<p>Takes a lot of money, time and hard work to build a road. Would be sensible to utilise the resource that is already available rather than blocking it.</p>		
55	<p>Surely traffic lights could be used if the road is too slim. Or mirrors and give way signs? It really would be better to keep access available for local traffic to use. There is so much pressure on the current system and it's only set to increase.</p>		
56	<p>Sue to the public areas to the lane I've witnessed children not stopping when come up to the road</p>		
57	<p>Spend money on the parks in fernwood and do your job</p>		
58	<p>Speeders on Hollowdyke Lane are equally residents and construction workers rather than lorries, in my opinion. Lorries are generally quite considerate.</p>		
59	<p>Since closing the lane I have had to change my driving habits, which is fine, however it does really concern me that we have lost a working escape/entry route into the village when traffic/accidents/road works gridlock the area. This has caused great distress and precious time since its closure</p>		

60	Silly state of affairs, expecting people from hollowdyke end of the estate to have to drive to other end of the estate to get out. All it does is cause more mayhem on the 2 roads (Goldstraw Lane and Dale Way). The problems caused by the beginning of the petrol station build showed how dangerous and inconvenient it was to everyone let alone when they try to do the upcoming works on the bridge and road for the lorries to enter/exit the petrol station. During the "rush hour" it is like a busy main road on Goldstraw, nobody gives way to oncoming traffic either coming/going in either direction. I've sometimes had to wait nearly 5 minutes to cross from one side to the other because no one is willing to stop and let you over they're just intent on getting on/off the estate and "speed" dont get me going on the speed of the vehicles. I certainly didnt move on here to live on a main road. Surely it would make life easier for everyone to have another exit in case of road works or emergencies etc if nothing else.		
61	Should have not been closed at all		
62	Road is dangerous because cars and lorries drive too fast		
63	Risk of Fernwood being cut off if an accident on B6236, increasingly more likely given the new services, the proposed Southern Link Road, future housing developments and the narrowing of the B6236 which has occurred recently with the new road layout for access to Kings Meadow.		
64	please make all of Fernwood 20mph. it can be done!		
65	Please leave it closed we live near by and the noise would be really bad .		
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67	Please concentrate on your own issues instead of Spending money on the coat of arms		
68	Parking opposite junctions is a problem that needs addressing.		
69	Parish Council need to stop sticking their nose into issues that aren't their responsibility .		
70	Opening the road could have a negative impact and increase traffic through Fernwood for traffic wanting to go south towards the A1. If hollowdyke was permanently open, the road would need to be widened to two lanes. In an ideal world the original plans of having the length of hollowdyke as two lanes down to the B6326 would have been best and would have directed estate traffic from greater Fernwood round the outside of Fernwood rather than through the main estate. This would have been safer all round. The plan of bollards at the end provides a good compromise as long as they are easily opened in the event of traffic congestion due to accidents etc		
71	Opening the lane through to Balderton will make it a rat run and encourage drivers to use Phoenix Lane more. With the expected holdups when lorries are turning out of the new service station drivers will be encouraged to take this route if it is opened. It should remain closed with a facility to open it for emergency vehicles during an emergency.		
72	Only use it as a relief road when other road is blocked. Otherwise I use those roads to access the fields for dog walking/running		
73	Once the new Allison homes and persimmon properties are built towards Claypole Hollowdyke Lane will become a rat run for the 1000s of new home owners that live there, pushing a lot more traffic through our village. The road is not designed for that amount of traffic and even with adaptations would still not be suitable.		
74	My Mother lives on fernwood, she is disabled and sometimes requires asistance that aren't the emergency services. My self or my partner have used Hollowdyke to go help her in the past but previously had to travel up to Grantham and back down to access her which has greatly increased the length of time we could assist her		
75	My fears are if/when an accident occurs on the fly-over in Fernwood due to the new services, the residents of Fernwood (myself included) will be trapped in or out of our village. One entry point and one thoroughfare seems like a very bad idea in terms of both access and safety.		
76	My family walk down regular and we have no issues with speed .		
77	My children are at Coddington school. I fear how busy the main route to the A1 will be in the mornings when the new services opens and would rather use Hollodyke Lane to get to Coddington.		
78	Most Drivers on hollowdyke Lane are reckless and ignore the 20mph limit		
79	Maybe you should concentrate on Parish Council remit issues like beans green open spaces and cemeteries . maybe if you had done that you wouldn't have wasted £15,000 on a coat of arms . I hope you read this out in your meetings you will need to resign with immediate effect		

80	Lorries, Van's and cars travel too fast along hollowdyke lane particularly around the entrance to spring drive and the bend which is just past spring drive. In my opinion it is only a matter of time before a serious accident occurs, therefore this area of hollowdyke lane should have a mandatory 20mph speed limit. The rest of hollowdyke lane should have a 30mph mandatory speed limit.		
81	I've seen some cars traveling too fast but obviously not all of them. There wasn't an answer for this.		
82	It's horrendous the speeds that people drive along this road. Many people use it for running, walking their dogs and taking young kids on their bikes. I personally have been nearly hit several times. Dispute wearing hi viz and lights. As the lower part of the road is closed many people use it for exercise and leisure. Maybe it needs to be either open both ends and made into a proper road all permanently closed and used as a track with residents to the new part of Fernwood using Phoenix Lane		
83	It would be great to have the road accessible (with a footpath alongside ideally)		
84	It would be great to have a convenient connection. From the new builds area it would save good few minutes drive through car-packed streets of Fernwood.		
85	It was dangerous before the closure for pedestrians, dog walkers and cyclists as cars would go at high speed. Many times before I have moved quickly out of the way to avoid getting hit. It would be better if there are paths for pedestrians, dog walkers and cyclists along the road		
86	It was dangerous before it was closed as it was used as a cut through from Balderton and people drove far too quickly for the narrow road. Unless it is made two lanes (widened) it would still be dangerous if used by locals.		
87	It strikes me as very short-sighted that the council don't feel we need an alternate route out of the village. The roadworks that were in place for the new services just went to show how disastrous it can be for the village if the bridge isn't functioning. Not only that but for nervous drivers the A1 can be intimidating - having an alternate option which doesn't involve going miles out of your way would be good in terms of allowing access to the villages and A17/A46. Opening Hollowdyke Lane would also help to reduce the amount of traffic on the bridge, making it safer for the hundreds of school children having to use it to get to Suthers.		
88	It should remain as a way in and out of the village. When the A1 is congested getting in and out of Fernwood can be tricky		
89	It is not only some contractors that drive too fast. At the weekends particularly there is a very high proportion of residents that drive well above the speed limit.		
90	It is essential to get movable road closure in place as soon as possible to enable access by emergency vehicles if other access is blocked. Lives could be at stake while Hollowdyke Lane is blocked by concrete blocks. Waiting a potential 7 further years for the emergency access is madness.		
91	It is a popular dog walk, a pavement along one side along the whole length would be welcomed		
92	It has caused lots of delays getting in and out of Fernwood since Hollowdyke Lane had been closed We need an alternative route in and out		
93	In the event of the A1 overbridge being closed or roadworks, Fernwood ends up gridlocked and causes residents to be late for work or medical appointments. The only route is going south onto the A1 and risking your life trying to cross 4 lanes of traffic doing 70mph or higher.		
94	In the 18 years I have lived on I have only had to use an alternative route 4 times, hollowdyke lane once, Claypole once and down the A1 twice. Also in that time as the village has grown so has the amount of traffic which is to be expected, but never has the sheer volume of traffic been the cause of any blockages, they have either been caused by accidents or dodgy temporary traffic lights when roadworks have been in place. So yes, it can be irritating when it happens, yes it can be an inconvenience but it definitely doesn't justify the road being opened up all the time. As I said at the beginning 4 times in 18 years, so I think the current planning for the lane is the best solution, keep it wildlife, pet, children, cyclist, pedestrian and family friendly because these are what and who are using it the most. And when that once in a blue moon accident or dodgy temporary traffic light blockage occurs then by all means open it up as an emergency route but let's not spoil it just because you got irritated or inconvenienced by having to wait an extra few minutes or go a different way.		
95	In relation to speed on HDL it is mostly lorry's whose speed feels excessive on such a narrow road.		
96	If we cannot reopen Hollowdyke Lane, another A1 crossing needs to be in place as well as the Great North Road bridge.... 1 crossing point is absolutely unacceptable		

97	If there is an accident on the A1 then Fernwood can become blocked off and we are unable to go in and out. We need another route out!		
98	If there is an accident on the A1 , the impact it has on Fernwood is huge. We are trapped in the village due to traffic being diverted and there is no other way to access Balderton. Three times over the past few weeks my child has been late for Orchard school as his transport bus has been stuck in the traffic.		
99	If the bridge to balderton is blocked and you aren't heading towards Grantham, then the road network for an expanding village is frankly inadequate without Hollowdyke Lane access.		
100	I, like many others are constantly frustrated by the regular chaos we are seeing on the roads surrounding fernwood. The roadworks both past and present and even those planned for the future have brought/will bring total disruption to the flow of traffic in and out of the village. These works are not going away any time soon with the completion of the service station, the link road and the impending bridge repairs that will have to be carried out eventually. When I go to work the exits of the village are often gridlocked. When I come home from work the entrance to the village is often gridlocked. If there is ever an incident between claypole and balderton, it's gridlocked. Incidents on the A1, gridlocked. This never happened when Hollowdyke was open. We have no choice but to head into the traffic because we have no other way out. The closure of Hollowdyke was a huge mistake. As a regular user I had never witnessed any issues or danger when it was open. If anything was to stop traffic over the bridge my only route north without a significant detour is to cross the A1. I would suggest that this is more dangerous than exiting Hollowdyke into Balderton.		
101	I wish Fernwood Parish Council would concentrate on Parish Council issues and stop turning central Fernwood against the new developments . You should be ashamed .		
102	I use this road to get to my parents house on Spring Drive. It has gotten worse to use, since the newer fernwood has been built. It can feel dangerous turning out of Spring Drive. Another problem is cyclists and walkers, who walk in the middle of the road, because they have headphones in.		
103	I use hollowdyke everyday to get to work on my bike. There is always cars, vans coming in from the Balderton side thinking they can get up hollowdyke, never doing 20mph. I agree Fernwood needs another exit route, with all the building of houses, and service station the road infrastructure is ridiculous, but I do agree hollowdyke is not wide enough for 2 lane traffic		
104	I think the reopening will ease dangerous through traffic passing the school at peak times		
105	I think the lane works well as is and promotes better access to fernwood and the new estate creating less traffic through the estate. A better finish to the access from the new estate to balderton would be nice as it currently looks appalling. I recognize this might not be allowed for vehicles but it should be considered as it would not be anymore dangerous than any other road and reduce overall traffic and pollution through the estate.		
106	I think that there should be a one way system on Hollowdyke but that it should be open to all traffic		
107	I think people are getting the two halves of the road confused. Based on the speed the developers are doing down the closed section, I definitely don't want it reopened. There are already many near misses where it intersects with Phoenix lane. The plan of it being only for emergency use is good until the relief road is built. Once there is the relief road, Fernwood won't be as much an island.		
108	I think it should remain closed but opened when the fly over is closed		
109	I think having 1 way out of Fernwood is poor and this lane has been used for years without problems.		
110	I tend to use Hollowdyke to walk to Balderton and welcome the closure but Hollowdyke should be made available to vehicles very quickly if the other road is blocked or there has been accident on the A1		
111	I strongly support the reopening of the road as it will provide a much needed access route for when the a1 is backed up or closed.		
112	I strongly disagree with opening this road. I purchased my house on the understanding it would not be a road! I will push for court action if this road opens!		

113	<p>I run down hollowdyke lane regularly in a loop around Fernwood. Majority of drivers are going fast but luckily traffic is light. I would be more concerned if the use of the round went up as this would make the faster cars more dangerous.</p> <p>Opening the road through to Balderton would be great for us personally as we have children in both sites of Chuter Ede school.</p>		
114	<p>I often walk down Hollowdyke Lane and a lot of the building contractors seem to go far too fast especially getting to the junction from the building works to Phoenix Lane!</p>		
115	<p>I moved into Fernwood approximately 6 months ago, after the closure of Hollowdyke Lane, so have not used it. However my child started at Chuter Ede in Balderton in September (we unfortunately did not get a place at Fernwood) and I have already been held up by traffic more than once over the A1 bridge near the new service station (on one occasion it took over half an hour to do a drive that is usually less than 10 minutes making me late to collect him). Access to Balderton for the school run via Hollowdyke would save time as well as money spent on fuel, and more generally would reduce the amount of traffic going through the older part of Fernwood from the newer areas off Phoenix Lane as there is currently no other option to exit the village. Thank you for reading</p>		
116	<p>I live in a house less than 10 meters from the road, having this road open and widened to accommodate two way traffic would encroach within 5 meters of my house and I don't want the thundering of traffic right next to my living room. Hollowdyke lane isn't suitable for two way traffic and was never intended to be used as a regular arterial route in and out of Fernwood. I'm fine with it being used to buses and controlled access for emergency vehicles.</p>		
117	<p>I have seen cyclist using the hollowdyke lane leading to balderton. If it hope to traffic cars vans buses etc I'm concerned about speeding alone the lane. People will us it as a cut through at all hours. However it would be useful to use especially when the new garage opens due to traffic and it would be used if access to Newark is blocked. I can see both sides. It would need to be 20 for speed limit.</p>		
118	<p>I have no issues with increasing the speed limit to 30 but there would need to be a path all the way down first.</p> <p>Regarding permanent closure of Hollowdyke, this is a ridiculous idea. We've been stranded in the village at least twice this year due to accidents and roadworks bringing traffic to a standstill - this will only increase with the increased traffic due to the service station and increase of pupils at Suthers, as well as the significant increase in residents. We need an alternative way out.</p>		
119	<p>I have made various comments on this via email to the council and Mr Lee to no avail. HgVs and concrete lorries speeding down the Lane Also traffic since the additon of the footpath are actually driving though, the estate. Companies such as View Civils, Central Gas Services , Landscapers, Scaffolding etc</p>		
120	<p>I have lived on Fernwood since late 2003 and used to use Hollowdyke Lane regularly, most weeks. It has been an inconvenience on many occasions since it's closure. I have never been made aware about any closure, temporary or permanent and only recently heard from a neighbour that it may close permanently. I was utterly shocked and dismayed at this news. If there were ever to be an accident on the road crossing the A1 into Balderton there would be chaos as gridlock to hundreds of homes and all the surrounding roads. I'm utterly dismayed that closing it is even a consideration.</p>		
121	<p>I have lived in Fernwood for many years and have experienced complete gridlock on several occasions. Most often this is as a result of accidents on the A1, but also due to roadworks in the B6326. It is inevitable that the perfect storm will eventually occur in which both the northbound and southbound A1 is closed due to separate accidents and we'll all be trapped. It is essential that Hollowdyke Lane remains open as an alternative access route in these circumstances at the very least.</p>		

122	<p>I have lived in balderton and fernwood all my life and have frequently used this road for walking, biking and also driving when the a1 has blocked our access over the bridge.</p> <p>There are many pros and cons to keeping the road open, some of which I have listed below:</p> <p>Pros</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - helping motorists find a way around when accidents and congestion has happened <p>Cons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - now the other side from balderton is blocked and new houses have been built people including and not limited to spring drive travel at stupid speeds down that road something that did not happen before the houses were built. - there is no consideration to allow pedestrians to stand in and cars make no attempt to slow down either, accident waiting to happen in my opinion. - genuinely believe that children will be able to safely use the lane especially for accessing balderton given the new lorry turning and service station the other way. - families and dog walkers will be able to enjoy a small part of the country side left around here <p>I hope this helps give an opinion on the lane and how a local has seen this land before the houses were built.</p>		
123	<p>I have been a resident on Fernwood for 18 years. I would use this route several times a week to avoid congestion going to or from work. Since living here the volume of traffic has increased immensely and there is an increasing risk of Fernwood being blocked in if Hollowdyke Lane is closed, due to any accidents that happen on the bridge. The risk is ever increasing, especially with the very poorly placed Welcome Break services and the imminent link road. It would be a complete travesty if it were to close and disastrous decision of it goes ahead.</p>		
124	<p>I feel this would reduce some of the traffic coming in and out of Fernwood from the Balderton side which also would lessen the risk to the school children walking to and from school which is a worry of mine, especially with the welcome break going to attract more traffic. I also feel this would be a more convenient way to access the estate without having to travel via the A1 but I would prefer a lesser speed limit as I do feel this may pose a problem if remains 60mph</p>		
125	<p>I feel that a permanent closure and more houses being built, increases risk. Currently we only have one route out of Fernwood to the North. The new petrol station will contribute to increased traffic.</p> <p>If the one route becomes blocked for any reason, emergency services, may not be able to access residents in Fernwood in a timely manner, therefore lives may be at risk.</p> <p>If vehicles could travel to Balderton, Newark and Coddington via Hollowdyke Lane this would reduce traffic flow on the alternative route, therefore reducing risk to Pedestrians & Cyclists at busy times.</p> <p>However, an appropriate, safe, Pedestrian and Cycle route should be made available along Hollowdyke Lane.</p> <p>Thank you.</p>		
126	<p>I don't want more traffic around the area/corner of Johnson's Road/Phoenix lane. It's already dangerous as people speed around. Providing further access will increase cars and potential accidents. A "cross roads" at that point will surely result in dangerous accidents for pedestrians and cyclists. It's already a danger with the construction traffic.</p>		
127	<p>I do not support your suggestion to open just the lower portion of the road instead of the entire thing (as indicated on your map by a blue line). Opening just the blue portion would divert traffic down Hunters Road past the school, which makes it more dangerous for the children. Either the entirety of Hollowdyke Ln should be opened or the end should be closed to traffic from the current phoenix lane junction as the current plans dictate. We should not be creating a rat run for commuters past the school.</p>		
128	<p>I do not support the closure of HDL adjacent to Allison Homes as it creates yet another impediment to access to and from the existing houses. I also consider the Phoenix Lane to Balderton to be a critical link to making Fernwood an integral part of Newark rather than an isolated community.</p>		

129	I believe the lane need to reopen to give the other roads in fernwood some respite from traffic. A lot more houses are going to be built towards the back of fernwood and I think there needs to be other routes into fernwood. At the moment too many cars are blocking the roads and you can tell residents toward the front part of the estate are getting annoyed with all the cars coming in and out as road safety and correct driving practices are not being adhered too and road safety is becoming an issue. For the safety of residents there should be another route in and out, not only for the residents but for emergency vehicles, when driving through some days emergency vehicles would struggle.		
130	I appreciate that Fernwood PC are against the 'permanent closure' but our understanding is that it won't be permanently closed. It will be used for buses, pedestrians, cycles and emergency services whilst also being open for access to all traffic when required in the event of an accident. Your survey questions are designed either to support your narrative or suggest that respondents do not care about the outcome, as such no matter what the response it will feed your assertion that permanent closure is a 'bad thing'. As a resident who lives along Hollowdyke Lane we were provided with assurances that it would remain majoratively a pedestrianised road, reopening it to traffic would likely encourage further speeding on narrow roads whilst providing fernwood residents a 'fast' cut through out of the estate onto a sharp, unmanaged bend at the Balderton end or a poor visibility turning at the Claypole end. Its difficult to see how safety arguments stack up and I would humbly suggest the only problem is inconvenience for a few isolated instances a year. To confirm, I wish to object to your objection.		
131	I am living in the new build in the Fernwood Village. The reason I bought that house is that it's stated one part of Hollowdyke Lane will be used for Buses, Cyclists and Pedestrians only and another part will be for Cyclists and Pedestrians only according to the development plan. It will be unfair to those residents who moved to there if Hollowdyke is re-opened after the construction.		
132	I am concerned that any closer of the A1 and any accident at the new welcome break will lead to Fernwood residents attempting to cross the A1 at the clay pole junction and cause more traffic which will affect my way to Work and my child's access to school. I am also concerned that my children will be involved in an accident at the new welcome break as there is no provision for crossing the road on the Fernwood side of the welcome break apart from an extended middle point?? These are children who Are being endangered every day by the complete lack of commen sense		
133	How do we get in or out of fernwood when the road near the new petrol station is blocked ie due to accidents.?		
134	Hollowdyke should be used as an emergency route. It is not a wide road and is an ideal route for walkers and cyclists who would be at risk from motorists. I don't think the introduction of speed limits would slow down vehicles		
135	Hollowdyke needs to stay open as when there is traffic issues, which there is regularly, the residents of fernwood are stuck as there is only one way in and one way out, for the thousands that live there and the thousands more that will live there once the new house estates are built it is ridiculous to have only one road. Whoever passed the thousands of new homes to be built with no infrastructure wants their head testing.		
136	Hollowdyke Lane needs to stay open to Fernwood residents as it's the only other way off the estate! Given the traffic congestion caused by other builders.		
137	Hollowdyke lane needs to be accessible for car and all other vechiles as otherwise Fernwood has no other route out and very quickly becomes gridlocked.		
138	Hollowdyke Lane is a public highway and should remain so. If there is a problem on the A1/B6326 or the like we have no escape route from Fernwood. It makes no sense to close the road to cars but allow buses.		
139	Hollowdyke Lane has an advisory 20mph limit, therefore the road is still 60 mph and because of its nature, I believe it would be impossible to speed on there, as it would mean going above 60mph. It would be better for it to be an enforceable 30 mph.		

140	Having an alternate way in/out of the community would be very beneficial when A1 or B6326 traffic is gridlocked several times each year. I have heard Balderton believes that having the road open causes too much traffic for their residents, but disagree as that route is not offering roadway access anywhere other than into residential Balderton or towards Coddington. I think that Fernwood residents traveling into Newark would mostly continue to use B6326 for convenience. There would probably need to be a light or roundabout where Hollowdyke exits near the bridge in Balderton for safety.		
141	Having a pedestrian / bus only lane would be wonderful but when there is only one road exit from Fernwood, it is a luxury we cannot afford. There needs to be another vehicle exit from the village.		
142	Goldstraw lane is too busy with lots of cars parked making it difficult and dangerous for large amounts of cars to be using it.		
143	FYI - I didn't use the stretch of road that's closed because it was already closed when I moved to Fernwood.		
144	For those of us that live along the lane and moved in to houses under the pretence that it would be shut it would be ludicrous for it to open. The lorries and cars fly up and down there as it is, many of us along the lane have small children. We would then be subject to constant use by vehicles which will undoubtedly speed as they already do. Me and my husband would not hesitate to seek advice from a solicitor should it reopen when we were sold the house under the plans that it would remain shut. For those that want it reopened for the very few times the A1 is shut to argue this will have a huge impact on them is ridiculous.		
145	For the safety reason, please don't open because the road is next to the school, the route is a common path for children to walk across,		
146	For emergency access we can't wait for the highways agency to open a barrier. We are having blocked roads once or twice a week now. We are being islanded with a growing population		
147	Ex Fernwood residence ,reopening Onto main street would be an accident waiting to happen . Rethink your plans		
148	Even though the junction at Main Street / Hollowdyke is assumed to be inadequate there will not be a full stream of cars entering or exiting the junction as the majority would likely head north or south on the A1 or to the southern link road near the roundabout when it is completed. It's also not fair on the original fernwood development to have the extra traffic heading down Phoenix and out Dale Way or Goldstraw lane. Heading out at the Allison homes end is not ideal due to the bend and trees blocking the view but it can alleviate some traffic through the original development.		
149	Entry via other routes is restricted already, given the limited parking in areas such as Goldstraw Lane, please don't limit this even further. Thanks		
150	Dog walkers , runners and cyclist use the lane alot , so we're there is no traffic other users of the lane are safe . We're there is traffic there is no pavement and so not safe . People have to go into the grass verge to stop getting run over . I think it would be better to close the hole lane 🙄		
151	Definitely need it open to avoid chaos caused by construction and roadworks traffic. And a way to avoid A1		
152	Daft to close it permanently. Fernwood has been a complete standstill when works competed at tawny owl around about, there is only one way in and out! Very inconvenient, late on several occasions due to the works and will only be worse with the welcome break development. This road obviously needs to be open for access. A bit more thought in to developments in fernwood and being less anti car would be very important. There is not the road infrastructure to support the sprawling site. Completely daft to close hollowdyke.		

153	<p>Construction workers are speeding on the lane as I have to cross it daily with my children on the school run</p> <p>Also I have had a major car accident so I am very worried about the a1 and the constant lorry's which will now be encouraged to use the bridge near the new petrol station so the re opening of the lane would not only help me, but would be a preference for me to travel to work</p> <p>Also I fully support it as a second route to use in emergencies as the bridge would be the only way out for us residents, should there be an accident I. The bridge</p> <p>We feel like we are being cut off from commuting out of fernwood and this is not fair on residents of fernwood</p>		
154	Construction traffic, especially tradesmen drive to fast going to an from the work.		
155	<p>Concerned that The Parish Council have made the situation worse .</p> <p>Nobody knew it was only advisor before the Parish Council told every one .</p>		
156	Concerned that are-opening Hollowdyke will create a much-used short-cut to the A1 rather than another entrance. Also those of us who have purchased properties along the lane did so on the understanding that it wasn't in use. Perhaps the lane can be re-opened from Main Street to the junction of the new roads that will cross it, which will create a new entrance to the village but minimise the likelihood of it becoming a short cut or rat run.		
157	Concerned about increase traffic in B6326 when A1 closed		
158	Concentrate on Parish Council issues		
159	Closure means essentially only one exit from Fernwood (onto the Great North Road) which is already congested and with the narrowing, service station plus Fernwood expansion, will only get worse.		
160	Cars and lorries go far too fast along Hollowdyke and get dangerously close to the many pedestrians along there		
161	<p>Cars and all of the construction vehicles travel down hollowdyke much faster than 20mph. We used to walk the dog along it as a family with our 3 year old. We haven't walked down it at all for volume of traffic together since our son was born - he's 14 months now. It's just too dangerous and full of rubbish sadly.</p> <p>If it were to be turned into a proper 2 lane road or a better road with passing places it would ease a lot of the 'idiots' who drive ridiculously fast down Phoenix lane. I have lived on Tutt close for 10years and in the past 2 years the speed and obviously volume of traffic has increased dramatically. Added to that the people who now regularly park at the bottom of Phoenix lane and on dale way make it a real accident hot spot</p>		
162	By closing Hollowdyke we have become an island if there are any traffic issues on the A1 or old great north road. By leaving it open we can at least get off Fernwood. I saw the letter that Balderton Parish Council wrote to Newark not wanting Hollowdyke to stay open because of increased traffic through Balderton. What rubbish the traffic through Balderton now has to go through the whole of Balderton to get to Coddington or the back way to Newark. Their argument never did stand up but no one listened.		
163	Burger King drive thru - if this attracts the same amount of custom like its competitors (MacDonalds & KFC) at the Roman Way complex. I can foresee queues entering from the Balderton roundabout causing tail backs and the residents of Fernwood unable to get home at a reasonable time/speed. This will also become problematic should there be a serious incident blocking the A1 Fernwood needs an alternative route in and out, both for residents and emergency services		
164	As a resident of spring drive the closure of Hollowdyke lane has significantly impacted the access to our homes (which previously was only via Hollowdyke lane). However, we do not support its full reopening as it will become a "cut through" for significantly more vehicles than prior the new development making it difficult for us to turn from our road as we have poor visibility to the road in front of Horsa close. We have already had an accident when pulling out due to a car speeding from the development passed Spring drive. The root cause of the issue is poor planning and cars parked along Goldstraw lane meaning cars prefer the ease of using Hollowdyke lane. Double yellows along Goldstraw lane would allow for improved traffic flow throughout Fernwood. The turning from Phoenix lane onto Goldstraw is dangerous and is only a matter of time before someone is seriously hurt.		

165	An alternative route should be available to residents particularly with the new services opening which will increase traffic on the B6326		
166	According to the plan, the road will be opened for emergency use only and will be bus lane and cycling lane in normal situations. I think this is good enough as emergency plan as the road is too narrow for two way traffic and it will be a danger to the cyclists.		
167	40 would be a better speed limit rather than 30		
168	20mph question feels like a trick question when I don't support the reopening of the road. Main Street in balderton is not fit for purpose to take the amount of traffic opening Hollowdyke would create. We are trying to promote cycling and walking as well as a tranquil environment let's not spoil it by having cars speeding past a school and park area. We have only had a few instances when we have been stuck on/out of the estate and this was mainly caused by the works at the Welcome Break site which will be completed soon so why spoil our beautiful estate because of a handful of instances.		
169	20mph is way to low, if pedestrians want to use the lane they should also be aware of the traffic that is on it they already have right of way and everyone slows down for them I think 40 is a comfortable speed for a distance driven		
170	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Widen the current open end of hollowdyke road to allow better and encourage more usage. This would bring the same alleviation as opening the currently closed end. 2. Main Street couldn't manage the traffic and more traffic would be encouraged through/around fernwood from coddington/balderton if it were to be reopened. 3. Put Double yellow lines on Dale way, Goldstraw lane & Phoenix Lane so that traffic easily flows and eases potential dangerous congestion/collisions and accidents etc. 		