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Subject: RE: Anglia Level Crossing Reduction Strategy - List of additional censuses

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Attachments: Level crossings additional traffic censuses.xlsx

Dear Mark.

Further to my email of 17th July, please find attached an updated list of the additional censuses. Notes have been added to C16 Prickwillow 1 and C17 Prickwillow 2. Site visits on the 20th July discovered that the footpaths were obstructed with fencing. We are aware that no censuses were undertaken on these paths, and wonder if this is why.

We are taking up this issue with Network Rail but in the meantime the County Council needs to see the outcome of risk assessments for the alternative step and on-road provision before considering whether further surveys are required (taking into account points made about the methodology such as seasonal harvest traffic. Please can you or Network Rail provide these?

Kind regards, Camilla Rhodes

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Subject: Anglia Level Crossing Reduction Strategy - Rights of way traffic census methodology

Dear Mark,

Further to our earlier conversations please find attached the County Council's comments on Mott MacDonald's Advice Note to Network Rail and Network Rail's Guidance Network Rail GR007 – Appendix B Level Crossing Census Requirement. The comments are split into two sections, firstly concerning the principles of the methodology, and second those specifically in relation to the census undertaken 18-26th June on crossings in Cambridgeshire affected by the proposed Anglia project.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

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List of crossings proposed for downgrade/closure - Additional traffic census required

Crossing	CCC Name	Supplementary Census?	Details
C01 -Chittering	Waterbeach FP18	no	
C02- Nairns No. 117	Private Crossing	N/A	
C03- West River Bridge	Little Thetford FP7	no	
<u>C04 - No.20</u>	Meldreth FP10	yes	On edge of busy village. Utility leisure use - dog walking etc as circular route. September/October may reflect different usage (out of exam season, harvest produce in Bury Farm Shop)
	Station Road, Meldreth	yes	Survey of alternative on-road route required to analyse safety and volume, nature and behaviour of road traffic into which pedestrians would be introduced versus safety of current route.
C06- Barrington Rd.	Highway (Barrington Road) pedestrian, cycle and equestrian rights)	potentially	Incorrectly listed as a private footpath - review results of June data. CCC currently objecting to closure as conflicts with CCC cycle scheme; seriously concerned over safety of road crossing.
C07 - No. 37	Harston FP4	yes	On edge of village. Utility leisure use - dog walking etc as circular route. September/October may reflect different usage (out of exam season, normal commuting etc)
	Station Road, Harston	yes	Alternative route would be along verge of B1368. Survey needed of road section to analyse safety and volume, nature and behaviour of road traffic into which pedestrians would be introduced versus safety of current route.
C08- Ely North Junction	Ely FP11	yes	Path provides access to the Fen Rivers Way long distance promoted route. Significant section of alternative route would be along B1382. Potentially higher risk. RSA and 24hr video needed of road section to analyse safety and volume, nature and behaviour of road traffic into which

C09- Second Drove	Ely FP49	yes	Path provides access to the Fen Rivers Way long distance promoted route. Obstructed since at least 7th May 2016 together with adjacent crossing on connecting BR25 Ely. Traffic census undertaken June 2016 therefore invalid. Will have prevented/discouraged use. 24hr video needs to be re-done plus a second survey. BR25 connects both paths from Ely Road enabling a circular route with FP15 Ely along the river bank.
C10 - Coffue Drove	Downham BOAT 44	yes	Missed out of first census. Therefore should be surveyed. Site visit 14/07/16 found crossing currently unofficially locked and decking raised, probably since temporary closure dated 7th May. Needs to be reinstated and full survey undertaken. CCC taking up with NR. Used by equestrians as part of a safe off-road network. Remote rural area; therefore second survey would be beneficial.
		yes	Adjacent underpass currently used in addition to crossing. Therefore underpass should also be surveyed (video survey). Often flooded, so must be done at a time when it is not flooded. Note conditions during survey.
C11 - Furlong Drove	Downham BOAT 33	yes	Incorrectly recorded on MM list as a footpath. Will this affect analysis? Part of the long distance promoted route the Hereward Way. Route forms part of a network of safe off-road BOATs for users; need clear evidence that alternatives are suitable/wide verges. Area significantly affected by agricultural harvest season. Remote rural area; therefore second survey would be beneficial.
	O Furlong Drove, Straight Drove, Short Drove, Main Drove Little Downham	yes	Survey of alternative on-road routes required to analyse safety and volume, nature and behaviour of road traffic into which pedestrians would be introduced versus safety of current route. RSA of these roads will be required.
C12 - Silt Drove	Public Highway (Silt Drove, March)	potentially	Incorrectly recorded on MM list as a footpath. Will this affect analysis? May be earmarked for future highway scheme as March develops eastwards.
C13 - Middle Drove	Public Highway Middle Drove (March)	no	Incorrectly recorded on MM list as a footpath. Will this affect analysis?
C14 - Eastrea Cross Drove	Whittlesey FP50	no	

C15 - Brickyard Drove	Whittlesey FP48	no	
C16 - Prickwillow 1	Ely FP17	no	Site visit 20/07/16 found path obstructed with fencing and decking
			removed, left by track.
	Padnal Bank, Ely	potentially	Risk assessment of alternative on-road route required to analyse safety
	·		and volume, nature and behaviour of road traffic into which pedestrians
			would be introduced versus safety of current route.
C17 - Prickwillow 2	Ely FP57	no	Site visit 20/07/16 found path obstructed with fencing and decking
			removed, left by track.
	Branch Bank, Ely	potentially	Risk assessment of alternative on-road route required to analyse safety
			and volume, nature and behaviour of road traffic into which pedestrians
			would be introduced versus safety of current route.
C18 - Munceys	Fordham FP19	yes	This is the only path between Fordham and Burwell.
			Different patterns of use may arise from different times of year.
			Survey of alternative on-road routes required to analyse safety and
			volume, nature and behaviour of road traffic into which pedestrians
			would be introduced versus safety of current route.
			Risk assessment of alternative on-road routes also required.
C19 - Wicken Road	Soham FP106	no	
C20 - Leonards	Soham FP101	no	
C21 - Newmarket	Ely FP24	no	
C22 - Wells Engine	Ely FP23	no	
C23 - Adelaide	Ely FP49	yes	Missed out of first census.
			Path provides access to the Fen Rivers Way long distance promoted
			route.
			Known to be used by walkers from Ely who cannot walk as far as Cross
			Keys.
			Adjacent crossing on same path at Second Drove and on connecting
			BR25 Ely obstructed since ?early May. Traffic census undertaken June
			2016 therefore invalid. Will have prevented/discouraged use on Adelaide
			crossing as well. Needs to be surveyed, possibly also second survey.
			BR25 connects both paths from Ely Road enabling a circular route with
			FP15 Ely along the river bank.

C24 - Cross Keys	Ely FP50	yes	Path provides access to the Fen Rivers Way long distance promoted route.
			Site visit 14/07/16 found crossing currently unofficially locked and
			decking raised, probably since temporary closure dated 7th May. Needs
			to be reinstated and full survey undertaken. CCC taking up with NR.
			Will also have been affected by temporary closure of FP49 and BR25
			crossings over same period. BR25 connects both paths from Ely Road
			enabling a circular route with FP15 Ely along the river bank.
C25 - Clayway	Littleport FP11	yes	No survey on first census? Only on road crossing?
			Path well-used, within edge of village. Leads to river. Different patterns
			of use may arise from different times of year.
			Need to understand types of use and daily pattern.
C26 - Poplar Drove	Public Highway (Poplar	yes	This is a public road, not an occupation road.
	Drove)	ľ	All classes of use should be surveyed. ATC only measures wheels.
			Road is part of a quiet network of minor roads just north of Littleport
			away from the heavily-trafficked A10.
			Therefore a video survey is required.
			Area significantly affected by agricultural harvest season.
C27 - Willow Row Drove	Littleport BOAT 31 FP30	yes	This is a public byway open to all traffic.
			Missed out of first census.
			All classes of use should be surveyed. ATC only measures wheels.
			Byway is part of a quiet network of byways/minor roads just north of
			Littleport away from the heavily-trafficked A10.
			Therefore a video survey is required.
			Area significantly affected by agricultural harvest season.
C28 - Black Horse Drove	Public Highway (Black	no	Incorrectly recorded on Mott MacDonald list for Tracsis as a public
	Horse Drove)		footpath. Will this affect analysis?
C29 - Cassells	Brinkley FP1	yes	Rural road traffic different in autumn - agricultural harvest vehicles;
			normal commuter/school traffic.
	Brinkley Road	yes	Video survey required on Brinkley Road to analyse safety and volume,
			nature and behaviour of road traffic into which pedestrians would be
			introduced versus safety of current route.

C30 - Westley Road	Public Highway (Westley	yes	Incorrectly recorded on Mott MacDonald list for Tracsis as a public
	Road, Westley Waterless		footpath. It is an unclassified public road which continues as a byway
	Road)		open to all traffic just north of the crossing.
			Missed out of first census.
			Well-used by cyclists and other users as part of a safe quiet highway
			network.
			No reasonable nearby alternative.

Summary additional surveys required

 $\dot{0}$ of proposed crossings (of which 6 crossings missed off first census)

5 alternative on-road routes

2 potentials

Total 18 additional surveys, 2 potential ones.