Warwick Hurst, King Edward Memorial Hall, Newmarket.



Date:15th Dec 2017

Dear Sir,

I am writing on behalf of the proposed closure of the Weatherby Railway Crossing In Newmarket.

Have the people who wish to close this crossing realised the very long way residents living on the other side of the crossing would have to walk to get down the town. They would either have to walk all the way down the avenue into the town or all the way round Cheveley Road. Along Old Station Road passed the heath into the other end of the town at the clock tower. It wouldn't surprise me if they hadn't even looked at this or if they have why are they unable to see how ludicrous it is I suppose it is people who do not even live or visit Newmarket they will just have been told to get rid regardless.

I was born in this town and I am now in my eighties and I can't remember any fatalities on the crossing [I may be wrong] There have been accidents of people getting knocked down on the line but this was because they were not using the correct crossing place. I do recall a young boy getting caught by a train and getting badly injured around the early sixties but he did recover. Can't they see that if this crossing is taken away it will encourage people to cross all over the place especially children and then it will be dangerous, and they will have blood on their hands.

I think that the most sensible solution would be a walkway bridge, at least everyone could then cross in safety. Especially as you say that some 400 people a day use this crossing a large majority children.

Yours faithfully

I.E.Jacobs [Mrs]