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Newmarket Railway Pedestrian Crossing Closure. The Weatherby Crossing.

Dear Mr Hurst,

I am writing to object to the proposed closure of the Weatherby Crossing in Newmarket.

This crossing is used by several hundred people daily and if closed, would have a detrimental affect on their lives involving a lengthy uphill detour. This would have a particular impact on the elderly, disabled and those with babies and toddlers in pushchairs.

I understand that the proposal to close the crossing is on safety grounds but to my knowledge there has been no incident at this crossing. The crossing is close to the station so trains are approaching at a slow speed and are clearly visible in each direction.

I can appreciate that some crossings are a safety concern but feel that rather than a blanket ban on all of them, common-sense and an understanding of the local needs should prevail.

I hope that my objection and those of the people of Newmarket will made clear at the inquiry in February.

Yours sincerely,

J.E Davidson