

From: [Rob Kersey](#)
To: NATIONALCASEWORK
Subject: Footpath 60 Wolfstones 247, reference NATTRAN/Y&H/S247/4337.
Date: 27 August 2020 15:27:44

Dear Secretary of State,

A new proposal to close Holmfirth Footpath 60 at Wolfstones has appeared for consultation. A draft stopping up order under section 247 of the Town & Country Planning Act has been published by the Department for Transport for Holmfirth Footpath 60 Wolfstones 247, reference NATTRAN/Y&H/S247/4337.

I would like to strongly object to the diversion of this path. This application for a diversion has already been considered by Kirklees Council and after many representations from local societies and individuals was denied in January.

My own objections remain the same.

- There is no need to close the path for the redevelopment of the settlement. Plans have been submitted (several versions) that supposedly 'needed' this closure. Reasons being danger from traffic of vehicles using the lane to the properties (ridiculous), the siting of steps to an underground garage overlapping the lane (deliberately sited to do so) and even a dog kennel / run encroaching on the lane.
- The lane and footpath does not pass through gardens or unduly give walkers views into windows of adjacent properties, far less so than say the average pavement in front of a very large % houses in most villages, towns and cities throughout the country.
- The route is one of many ancient inter settlement routes locally and as such is part of the local history. Removing this part of the route destroys that link and makes for a less interesting walk.
- The route has been used, probably for hundreds of years, and I have used it, mainly in the summer months, on a regular basis for over 30 years.
- The new route is just an attempt to remove people as far away as possible from the properties and in my view is merely to serve an excessive wish for total privacy.

Robert Kersey

This email has originated from external sources and has been scanned by DfT's email scanning service.
