

Woodbury Lane Survey

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Summary

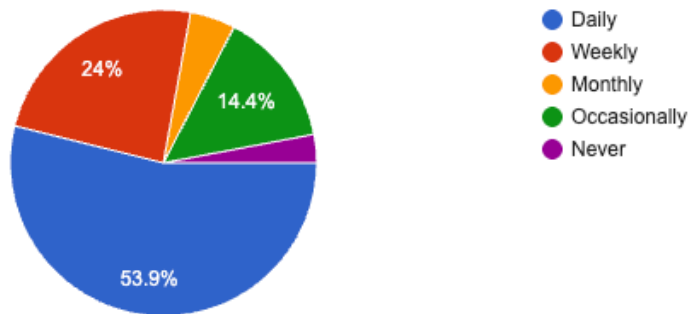
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Individual

Q1) How often do you or your family walk, cycle or drive along Woodbury Lane?
(Please tick one)

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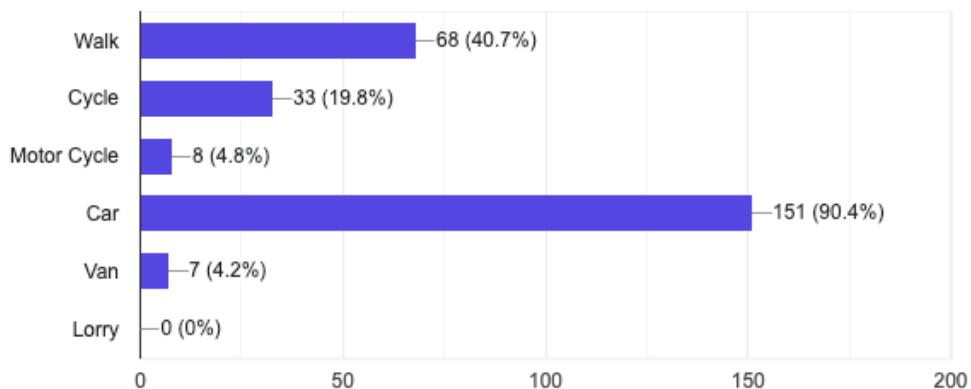
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Q2) Please confirm how you travel along Woodbury Lane?
(Please tick all that apply)

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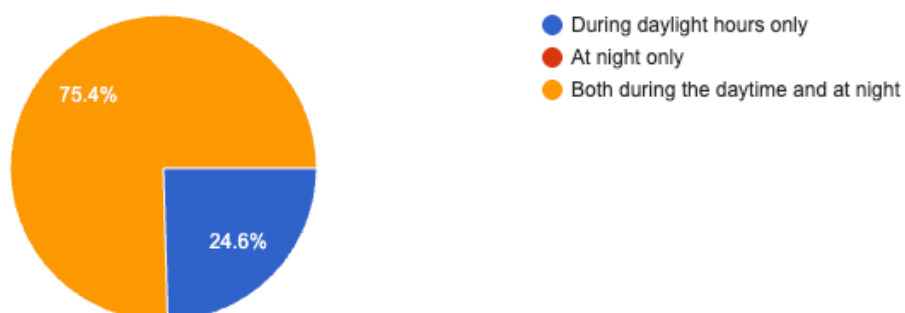
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Q3) Please confirm the time of day you travel along Woodbury Lane?

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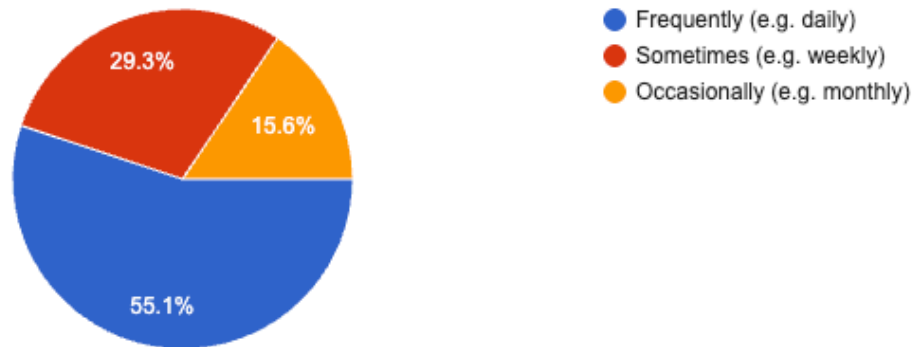
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Q4) How often do you see pedestrians on the route?

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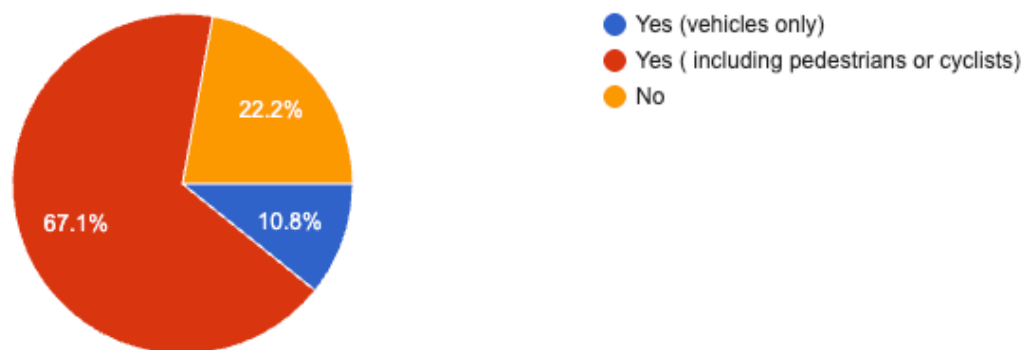
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Q5) Have you ever experienced any 'near misses' or dangerous situations?

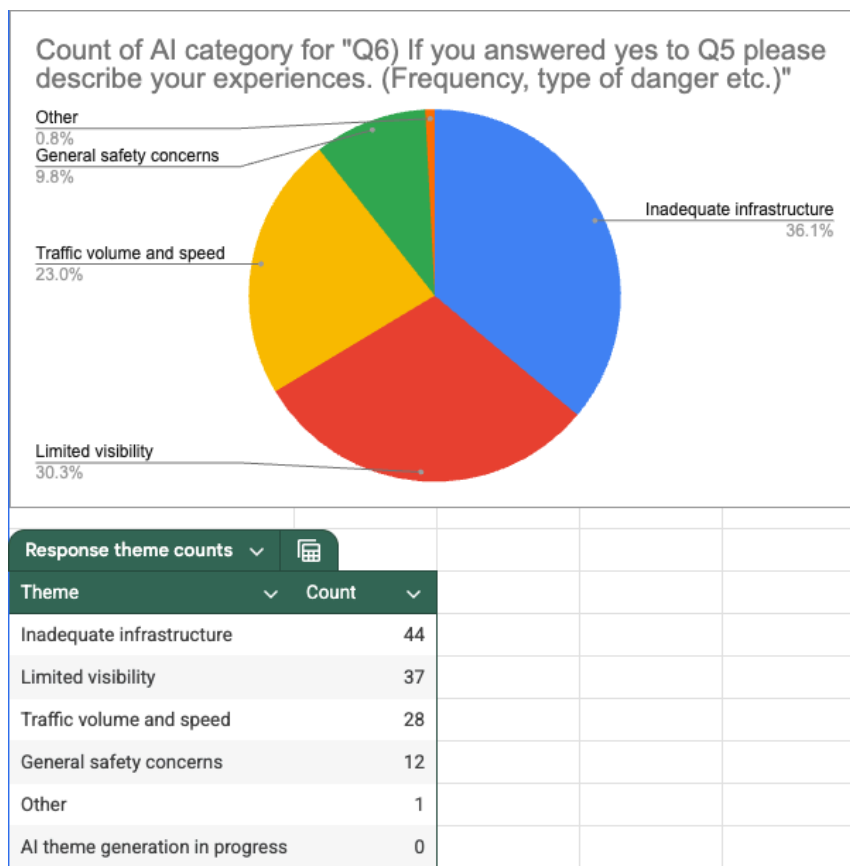
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AI Summary of Q6 - Description of experiences

- **Inadequate infrastructure:** The primary safety concern is the lack of continuous footpaths, forcing pedestrians and cyclists to share the narrow road with motorized traffic. This creates high-risk situations where individuals must frequently scramble into hedges, ditches, or verges to avoid vehicles.
- **Limited visibility:** Poor lighting, especially during winter and early evening, combined with blind corners, the humpback railway bridge, and dense foliage, makes pedestrians—particularly those in dark clothing—extremely difficult to see. Motorists frequently report having to brake hard or swerve at the last second to avoid pedestrians or oncoming vehicles.
- **Traffic volume and speed:** Woodbury Lane is perceived as being used as a "rat race" or shortcut, with many vehicles, including heavy goods vehicles and buses, traveling too fast for the road's narrow width. Drivers often move into the center or onto the opposite side of the road to avoid potholes or to navigate bends, causing dangerous near-misses with oncoming traffic and vulnerable road users.
- **General safety concerns:** Many residents expressed deep anxiety about the lane's safety, leading some to refuse to walk or cycle to the nearby train station, despite it being a desired route. There is a strong consensus that the current conditions are hazardous and that a serious accident is likely inevitable without significant improvements.



Full Comments to Q5 & Q6

Q5) Have you ever experienced any 'near miss' situations?	Q6) If you answered yes to Q5 please describe your experiences. (Frequency, type of danger etc.)
No	I haven't experienced them but they do worry me
No	Pedestrians walk on the wrong side of road, need educating
No	Pedestrians have difficulty as no path and the verge can be very overgrown and slopping towards the road. The lane is very narrow on places and there are several nasty bends
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Two cars were trying to pass on the lane, but a pedestrian was on the roadside and there wasn't room for all of them. The pedestrian was very nearly hit by the wing mirror of one of the cars.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Cars/lorries passing in opposite directions and the pedestrian/cyclist being forced into the hedge/verge. Or, cars/lorries not taking the humpback bridge or yellow tractor bend with sufficient care, then having to brake hard/swerve to miss a pedestrian, cyclist or oncoming vehicle.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Have come across groups of 3 to 4 school boys post 3pm and pass individuals (usually in the afternoons) although most have high vis jackets.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Several, usually avoiding pedestrians or oncoming speeding vehicles
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Have witnessed cars slamming their breaks on for pedestrians as they can't be seen until the last moment on the bends.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	regularly needing to stop completely to allow for pedestrians at same time as vehicles travelling in opposite direction, and sometimes for traffic dangerously swerving around a pedestrian.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Pedestrians causing vehicles to be on wrong side of the road
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Bus and lorry trying to pass each other just over the bridge where it narrows Also pedestrians having to get onto the grass verge when large vehicles pass I've lost count. How often worse in the early evening in winter with no lighting
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Walkers and cyclists dressed in black walking in the dark. Cyclist stationary on railway bridge near to the Retreat. Quite often in the Winter.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	People walking to near by factory's and having no path it's very dangerous
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Road not wide enough, driving too fast, people walking in the road, people too fast over the bridge, driving on opposite side avoiding pot holes, cannot see people walking and walking with dogs, not lit - all the time
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Poor judgement of road width, especially at the railway bridge, and 90° bend...yellow roller. Pedestrians in dark clothing.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Usually 2 or more pedestrians jumping away from vehicles on to grass. Often arrogant cyclists riding without thought or care for others.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Often very dangerous occurrences with poor pedestrians and cyclists right bends and people driving too fast it's not safe but it's so essential for people to get to the train station
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Pedestrians or bikes, in the light or the dark, unsighted due to the humpback bridge or due to lighting conditions under the trees. No footpath, and no footpath planned, yet it has been designated a foot/cycle route to reach The Parkway and was clearly used as an unrealistic lever to push planning forward for The Parkway.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	I drive along this road at least 4 times a day. the blind bend when sun is shining you cannot see pedestrians on the bend, when pedestrians where dark clothing they blend into the trees, I will no longer walk this route as was do dangerous, especially when we had the children with us to get to the train station.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	People walking not always visible. If cars are going in both directions have to stop for pedestrians.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	People in the road and having to move on the verge to allow cars to pass
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Cars both ways at bend with pedestrians and cyclists in sandwich requiring emergency braking at least every fortnight
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Van hit my mirror because it was in the middle of the road speeding. People walking on the wrong side of the road. With their back to the traffic. So when you come around the corner you see them the last minute.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Cyclists and walkers with no high viz/lights meaning cars have to swerve even when within the speed limit - low light & at night. Vehicles not adhering to their side of the road or cutting the bad bend or foliage down
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Pedestrians walking in road in narrow section between railway Bridge and Norton College
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Pedestrians walking on the wrong side of the road, so you cannot see them coming around the bend. Often without hi-vis jackets on. Cars using the road as a rat race so they can avoid going down the hill towards St Peter's. Often at speed also. Parents also speeding down that road to collect their child from the school in Littleworth.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Mostly late afternoon. People walking in dark clothing.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Found worst to be approaching bridge from Pershore Rd, vehicles move faster once they have cleared bridge. Pedestrians, acting correctly in walking on right hand side of road do cause you to move out and due to bend in road and speed of approaching vehicles this can result in near miss
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Very dangerous along a small and many blind narrow bends
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	People walking on wrong side of road and on the bend there on the wrong side of the road so can't see them.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	People, mainly men walking with cars & lorries trying to pass each other, a pavement is needed along the full length of one side of the road.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Pedestrians in the narrow road and unlit. No footpath from the recycling centre to the retreat means it is extremely dangerous to walk the lane given the ever increasing volume of traffic
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Commuters, workers, families, runners, cyclists. Lorries squeezing past all of these. Cars driving fast, commuting. I know families who want to walk/ride but they feel unsafe to do so. I would never walk/ride with my family here.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Pedestrians wearing dark clothing, walking in the middle of the road, crossing the road near the railway bridge (hard to spot due to the inclination and drop of the bridge). Cyclists without lights and electric scooters. Also deer crossing the road, and rubbish along the kerbside add to the danger.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	A lot of pedestrians and cyclists use this route but have to use the narrow road to walk along which is extremely dangerous due to visibility. The road isn't wide enough to give them the safest space necessary particularly when there is oncoming traffic. There must be a pavement in place as more people are walking and cycling this way as well as a huge increase in traffic flow. I live on this part of Woodbury lane so experience these dangers daily and see the welcomed increase in pedestrians and cyclists although worry for their safety. It feels as though they're waiting for an accident to happen before making changes to this part of the road.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	The lane is too narrow to pass pedestrians and cyclists and not good even for cars. I saw a car come very close to a walker.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Cycling to Worcestershire Parkway has been a hairy experience on more than one occasion. Pedestrians and Cyclists need to be separated from motor vehicles.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	People, mainly men walking with cars & lorries trying to pass each other, a pavement is needed along the full length of one side of the road.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	People walking in dark clothing at dusk and night and not facing oncoming traffic .

Q5) Have you ever experienced any 'near miss' situations?	Q6) If you answered yes to Q5 please describe your experiences. (Frequency, type of danger etc.)
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Some people waking at schools times and others waking dogs, runners. Not all are clearly visible depending on the time of day. The road is bendy and people have to walk/run in the road tricky when you meet vehicles in opposite direction and vans and Lorry's driving as a cut through and too fast
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Fast moving traffic with no safe area for pedestrians
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	There are pedestrians and cyclists along this road daily and it is a death trap! I honestly can't believe that a serious accident hasn't happened yet. There is not enough room for anyone to be walking or cycling along this road with cars passing in both directions. My son frequently gets the train and I will never let him walk along the road as there is no path and not enough space for cars to pass safely. Poor visibility for motorists too as lots of turns in the road and tree coverage making it darker.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Cars speeding unaware pedestrians are just round the corner
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Car was parked on the pavement so had to use the road and go around it with pram (newborn baby) which was dangerous and scary. Cars also coming too fast around the corner by the retreat, the cars parked on the one side mean drivers come past them onto the opposite side of the road at speed and can't stop if someone else is coming.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	I drive along Woodbury Lane daily and pedestrians walk in the road either side and you can't see them coming round the bends
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Too dark and narrow
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	No pavement for pedestrians, no street lights and narrow road so many times I've witnessed cars nearly knocking people over
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	No footpath stretching the length of the route from Norton. Road is narrow and large vehicles push pedestrians, cyclists and cars into the curb or hedge frequently.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Pedestrians on a fast road
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Walking to the station is not for the faint hearted. Cars just don't see you in the day and at dusk or early morning it's very dangerous there is no room for two cars and pedestrians, I once had to jump into the hedgerow!
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Blind corners and very quick cars as a pedestrian
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Daily pedestrians and cyclists using the station but very dangerous especially at night when no footpath or lighting, you don't see them until the last minute.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Regularly need to drive at 'walking / cycling' pace. Regularly need to take evasive action to avoid incoming vehicles, especially if they are overtaking cyclists / pedestrians.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	The problem is not speed (in my experience) but the road not being wide enough to accommodate pedestrians, cyclists and motor vehicles.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Pedestrians walking in the road as no foot path, road is narrow, two vehicles can only pass by touching the verge. No street lighting, pedestrians take life in their hands when it is dark.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	People walking in road on way to and from Parkway. As the road is narrow, if two cars approaching each other, pedestrians have very little room to escape. Also as no lighting pedestrians are practically invisible at night.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Cars coming in both directions and pedestrians unable to move out of the way
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Honestly, it feels like russian roulette being a pedestrian as some cars just travel too fast. If two cars approaching at 30mph and there is a pedestrian, it is still too tight to pass safely.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Every day I see pedestrians walking on this route, there is not a path way from the retreat and quite often they have to jump into the hedge to let vehicles pass. If there are 2 vehicles passing at the same time it is exceptionally dangerous. At night time it is very difficult to see pedestrians. When the train station opened I walked there, I've only ever done that once as it was so unsafe I genuinely feared for my life.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	I have frequently had issues with cars on this road not moving over to make sufficient space for my vehicle. I have also frequently had issues where pedestrians are on the road due to no pathway. Most are sensible and wear high visibility wear and as a local resident I now only drove on that section at 15-20 miles an hour. However I have witnessed multiple occasions whereby people have almost been hit or cars who may not know the area have driven in a manner which is careless. I will not ever walk down this route meaning I cannot access the train station without using a car because I do not believe it to be safe for pedestrians
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Multiple times. Dark enclosed lane. No walkway for pedestrians so drivers sometimes don't see them until the last minute. Some very near misses where people have had to dive into the overgrowth or drivers have to violently swerve.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	In winter or at dusk, people walking towards oncoming traffic in dark clothes and can be tricky to be seen meaning I've had to suddenly pull over to the other side of the road as the road is narrow and I've been lucky there isn't a car going the other way. Road is narrow and has lots of corners meaning it's hard to spot pedestrians in advance, especially when they wear dark clothes. Cyclists equally can be tricky to spot in advance.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Have had a move my car right to edge of road on many occasions to avoid collisions. No visibility around the turn so when pedestrians walking difficult to see them in advance.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	The bend cars straddle both lanes. Pedestrians not able to be seen
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Regularly have to take avoiding action for vehicles and for pedestrians
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	I have to flash the on coming car to alert someone is in the road.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Due to overgrown trees etc and the bends in the road, it is difficult to see pedestrians/cyclists especially if they are not wearing high visibility clothing. I always anticipate seeing a pedestrian/cyclists, hence the need to drive very slowly. Unfortunately, not all drivers do this and I feel an accident is inevitable. Pedestrians have nowhere apart from up on the verge to feel safe. The number of pedestrians using this route (probably heading towards the train station) has increased over the last few years. Something needs to be done so all road users feel safe.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Vehicle and pedestrian "struggling" for safe passage
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	I've seen so many with cars and pedestrians in front of me, I've also been surprised by pedestrians and not seen them until I'm very close to them as the lane is so dangerous for pedestrians. I have walked to the train station twice and won't use the station again as it's so dangerous getting there. There's no pavement and cars just don't see you in time because of the bends and lack of room and no lighting.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	2 cars travelling in opposite directions meeting both a pedestrian and a cyclist along the narrow section of the lane (railway Bridge and bends area). Fortunately both cars were travelling at sensible speeds and could stop in time as visibility is poor around the bends and there is just enough width for 2 cars but not if you need to safely pass a cyclist or pedestrian. Thankfully the other vehicle wasn't a big van or the school bus, or travelling too quickly or driving down the middle of the road/cutting corners on the bends. There is no off road space for cyclists or pedestrians to avoid danger if needed.

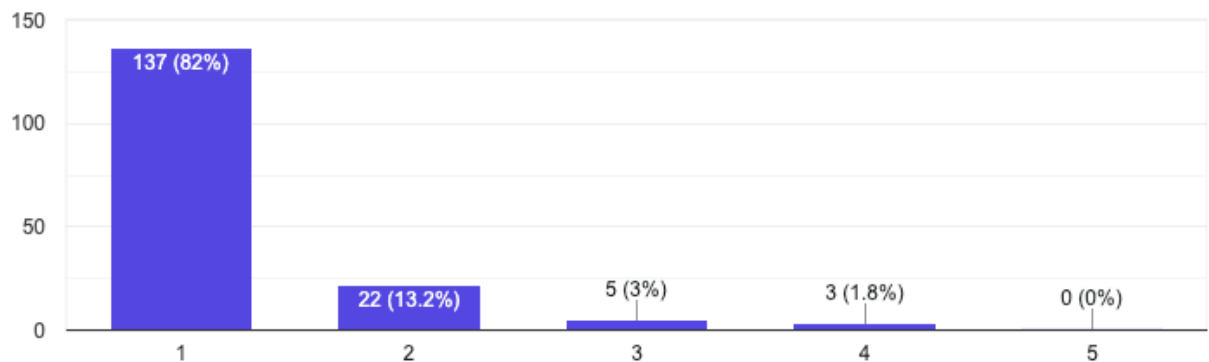
Q5) Have you ever experienced any 'near miss'?	Q6) If you answered yes to Q5 please describe your experiences. (Frequency, type of danger etc.)
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	At least on a weekly basis. The winter months are the worst as you can barely see the pedestrians walking on the road. Cars fly around the roads and because there are no Road markings, they are more often than not over "the line", meaning oncoming traffic is pushed into the bushes/side of the road where the pedestrians are walking. I don't know how someone hasn't lost their life yet, it's such a dangerous road
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Cyclist side-by-side, pedestrians walking on the wrong side of the road no lighting wearing in dark clothes
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Walking to WPW is dangerous as you have to cross the road on blind bends to see and be seen. Vehicles travel too fast especially if an oncoming vehicles and pedestrians are passing in same place. I walk to WPW because I shouldn't have to drive to park at the station and incur parking fees.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	No footpath and narrow road. Cars driving too fast
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Pedestrians are obliged to walk in the road and there is a blind corner and hill that makes this very dangerous. Cyclists the same. You have to swerve around them in a car and oncoming traffic can be fast. A busy road connecting villages to main road as well as industrial traffic, the college and access to care home and housing. I have only done the walk Littleworth to Parkway once and was nearly hit by a car so have never attempted again. Have witnessed other pedestrian and vehicular near misses. I travel this route every day for work and weekends.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Very aware of pedestrians as there is no pathways especially walking to station?
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Often people walking along the Lane have to step out of the road onto the verge as cars speed along the lane, especially if two cars are passing each other and there's a pedestrian. I've also seen children from the High School walking back from the station along the lane, so it's not a safe sustainable route to school.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Near misses with pedestrians as they have no pavements to walk on. It happens a lot.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Pedestrians barely visible when walking in the road, particularly at night or during autumn and winter. Many appear to be walking from St Peter's to the recycling unit or back.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	School children walking with back to traffic and with headphones in, oblivious to traffic
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Weekly. The corner at the bottom of the road is particularly dangerous as you are unaware of oncoming traffic and if there are pedestrians and cars on the road at the same time, it leads to near misses.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Cars driving too fast and lack of pathways on narrow road re pedestrians
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	As there are no paths, many people are walking to work / Worcestershire parkway. When the sun is out and you are driving around the bend it causes a massive blind spot. Numerous times I haven't seen a pedestrian until the last moment. We walk to the train station when travelling to London... it is prettifying to walk along the road at any time of the day. As there is limited transportation in the village the train station offers connections for people but they are too scared to walk.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Because there is no footpath they sometimes walk on the 'wrong' side of the road and don't know a car is coming so they can block the road. With cyclists, there is not enough road width to overtake them safely.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Pedestrians having to scramble up the bank at the side to avoid vehicles when vehicles are passing each other. Pedestrians and drivers having to react very quickly on bends when meeting. This happens on about 40% of my journeys. Pedestrians have no refuge. Additionally there are also dangers to cars colliding on the bridge due to poor visibility and fast driving.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	no room for pedestrians when 2 vehicles passing. Blind bend after bridge vehicles in middle of road to avoid pedestrians. Pedestrians hard to see. Especially when dark
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Vehicles not being able to see pedestrians and cyclists due to the bends in the road, the bridge which poor vision of any pedestrians / cyclists ahead and finally the lack of a footpath between The Retreat and the entrance to Parkway station. Cars have to swerve to avoid pedestrians and cyclists due. Frequency : every time there is a pedestrian- it is a very dangerous stretch of road. There is currently no means of getting off the road along several stretches of road. It is high risk. This is particularly hazardous after dark.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Pedestrians walking on rd no path for them blind bends and speeding motors
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Driving from retreat pub towards Norton college, often come across pedestrians on blind bends where there is no safe footpath and so they are in the roadway. Road is already narrow and vehicles often forced into oncoming traffic lane.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Traffic coming from Woodbury Lane towards Church Lane goes too fast and there have been near misses with cyclists turning right into Wadborough Lane.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	I saw a cyclist involved in a near miss when two cars passed each other and there wasn't enough room on the road for all of them.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	No pavement and poor visibility makes it difficult for drivers and unsafe for pedestrians. I would walk to station more if pavement
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Daily
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Vehicles travelling too fast for the narrow lanes, often in the middle of the road. Pedestrians having to push themselves into the verges and hedgerows to avoid reckless drivers.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Cars, cyclists and lorries in middle of road and speeding
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Very narrow unsafe to walk
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Road is narrow, vehicles are now wider and often doing more than the speed limit so often have to brake or pull into verge, meet buses on bridge several times - not room to move, having to stop or move over for the safety of pedestrians walking to work or the station.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Pedestrians walking at dusk on narrow bend of road
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	High risk of RTC or pedestrian injury
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	This road is completely unsafe for pedestrians to walk down. We see most walking to the train station.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	People often driving in middle of road especially where middle lane isn't there. People drive fast especially round the tight bend in between Norton college and the railway bridge and again usually going over white lines.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	No footpaths
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Most mornings there is a walker trying to walk up the blind railway bridge next to the retreat or meeting two cars on the blind corner after it. There is a risk of either hitting the pedestrian or the oncoming car as it is not possible to see both at the same time at certain points on the road.
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	It's dark, even in daylight and there are no 'escape routes'. People don't stick to the 30 mph and the corners make it unsafe to walk and for cars to see you coming
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	

Q5) Have you ever experienced any 'near miss' or 'dangerous' situations on the road?	Q6) If you answered yes to Q5 please describe your experiences. (Frequency, type of danger etc.)
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	No pavement, narrow road, tight bends
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Pedestrians walking along the road with cars coming in both directions Turning into and out of our driveway is dangerous due to sight and speed of traffic
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Nearly hit a pedestrian going over bridge
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Extremely dangerous patch of road as there are no footpaths in a section. I have nearly hit pedestrians on multiple occasions due to no fault of anyone. We are scared to let our children walk the short distance back from the train station due to how easily they could get run over. My son experienced an extremely traumatic experience whilst walking when he was missed my car and dived into the side of the road and was hurt. This is a death waiting to happen!
Yes (including pedestrians or cyclists)	Not always easy to see pedestrians and no footpath so dangerous ++
Yes (vehicles only)	Heavy goods vehicles including one stuck on the bridge often foreign drivers taken by Satnav. I also know 2 people who have had "wing mirror clashes".
Yes (vehicles only)	
Yes (vehicles only)	Speeding cars , no foot paths and lights so makes it harder to see cyclists and pedestrians.
Yes (vehicles only)	Car came over the railway bridge at speed and over my side (on coming traffic) - we had to swerve to avoid a collision
Yes (vehicles only)	A large oncoming vehicle (SUV) straying into the centre of the road.
Yes (vehicles only)	Arriving at the corner by the right hand houses,cars/vans coming towards you sometimes at speed and over your side of the road.
Yes (vehicles only)	Close encounters with no footpath and cars coming round bends
Yes (vehicles only)	Cars with blind spots around corners. No refuge for pedestrians often commuting to a train station.
Yes (vehicles only)	Large vehicles on the bend taking most of the road
Yes (vehicles only)	Pedestrians have to stop and move into hedgerows to get out of the way of vehicles. It's only a matter of time before a pedestrian is hit by a vehicle.
Yes (vehicles only)	Because the lane is very shaded, and pedestrians tend to walk close to the edge of the road, it's impossible to see them until the last minute, especially on the bends. It feels very unsafe.
Yes (vehicles only)	Vehicles exceeding speed limits and being in middle of the road.
Yes (vehicles only)	
Yes (vehicles only)	
Yes (vehicles only)	
Yes (vehicles only)	Lane is too narrow if you meet a larger vehicle coming along. Also seen walkers have to jump onto the verge
Yes (vehicles only)	Going too fast round bend
Yes (vehicles only)	Cars swerving to miss pedestrians

Q7) How would you rate the current safety level for pedestrians using Woodbury Lane?

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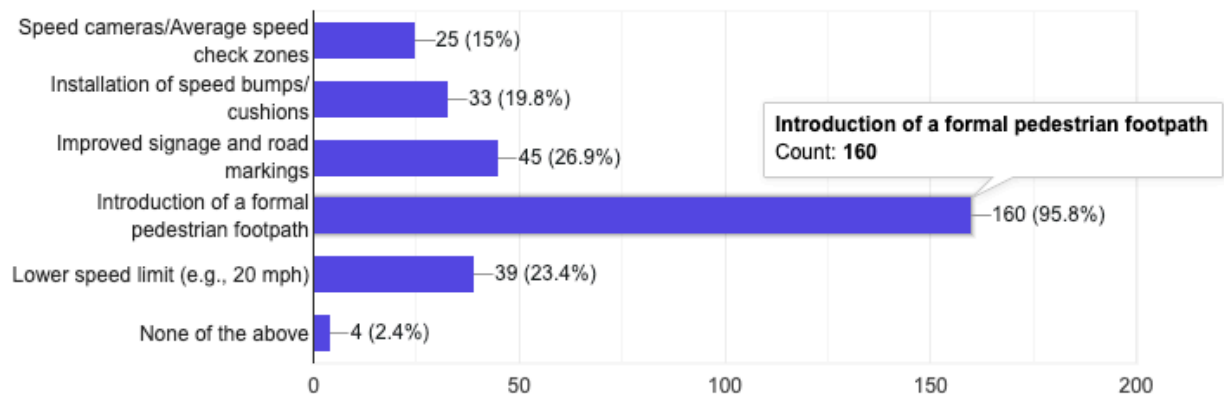
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Q8) Which, if any, traffic calming measures would you support on Woodbury Lane?

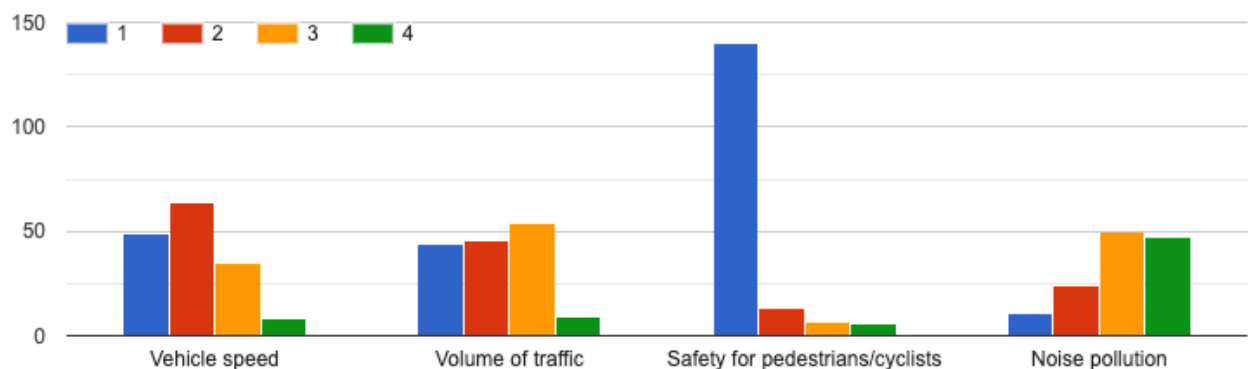
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Q9) Please rank the following concerns regarding traffic on Woodbury Lane (1 being the highest concern):

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AI Summary of Any Other Comments

- **Urgent Need for Infrastructure:** Residents emphasize that the lack of a proper footpath, combined with narrow road sections and blind bends, makes Woodbury Lane extremely hazardous for pedestrians and cyclists. Many believe a dedicated, lit, and segregated pathway—or a new route away from the lane—is essential to prevent a future fatality.
- **Traffic and Safety Concerns:** The road is frequently used as a high-speed "cut-through," exacerbating risks for walkers and cyclists. Suggested interventions include installing traffic-sensing lights on the bridge to control flow, enforcing speed reductions, and implementing one-way traffic systems to improve safety.
- **Connectivity to Parkway Station:** The current route to the station is widely viewed as dangerous and inadequate, directly discouraging the use of active travel and forcing residents to drive. There is strong frustration that promises regarding safe access were not fulfilled when the station was built, and residents urge action before further housing developments increase traffic and risk.
- **Maintenance and Visibility:** Beyond structural changes, residents report issues with flooding and poor visibility, particularly at night and around blind corners. Suggested low-cost improvements include regular hedge maintenance, better lighting, and the installation of mirrors to improve awareness of oncoming vehicles and pedestrians.

Actual Comments

There needs to be lighting between the pub & the railway station. There must be a separate foot path over the railway line & mirrors on the blind corners to see if someone is walking in the road or for oncoming lorries in the middle of the road.

The road over the bridge is so narrow ...personally I believe traffic sensing traffic lights would help to effectively only allow one one lane traffic flow and give pedestrians chance to cross safely ...it might also slow down cut through traffic numbers as they wouldn't want to get held up by the lights!

The other dangerous crossing is the bridge over the B4084 to parkway station where you risk life and limbs due to no pavement and hardly any space to walk safely because of the speed and volume to traffic ...horrendous!

Literally accidents waiting to happen. Unnerving as pedestrian, cyclist and also driver

The only proper safety measure is to widen the whole road, or re-route it through a field to eliminate the bend - any other measures are risky and insubstantial.

I find it bizarre that the walkway to/from Parkway takes in such an unsafe route. I always drive to the station as it's unsafe to walk - sort of defeats the object really!!

I am happy that most people walking wear hi vis clothing, however I have had a few instances where they are wearing all black/dark clothing and they can't be seen until you

are right up close. There should be a footpath for people, either along the road or through the adjacent field/woodlands to make it safe for them.

It's not a route designed for pedestrians and makes accessing the Worcester Parkway station a danger, which then forces users to the car.

Currently it is really unsafe for pedestrians. A permanent footpath is the only solution.

The road is becoming busier and pedestrian access to Parkway station is not an option/very dangerous. Crossing the road from our driveway with young children is very dangerous and no pathway to follow or walk along

There is supposedly a safe cycling route from Brockhill Lane, along Church Lane and Woodbury Lane to the Parkway Station. I'm surprised that there haven't been more accidents involving cyclists and pedestrians along it. It's not safe.

Utterly ridiculous this is accepted as a safe passage for pedestrians. Would certainly like to go with family to retreat etc on bikes/walking but blind bends/lack of footpath/speeds make it too dangerous

We must not wait for a fatality before action is taken to make this a safe and sustainable route not only to the station but also to a frequent running bus service.

The road infrastructure should have been a priority 6 years ago! I no longer commute from Littleworth to London or Birmingham for work, but I did and risked the walk. For those who have to walk to local industrial units, something needs to change and soon. WPW should be accessible on foot or bike for local residents in any event.

Needs pedestrian and cycle path. Make it no through road or one way

A footbridge over the railway for pedestrians would be ideal as they are currently forced to walk over Norton bridge which is already very narrow

A footway link is desperately needed between The Retreat (or nearby) to Parkway Station sooner rather than later as someone will be hit by a car before too long...and by then it will be too late!

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have yet to see anyone with a babe in arms, in a pram or wheeling cases along the road.

Frequently there is standing rainfall water on the lane.

This safety of this road must be prioritised before the new town is built.

Far too dangerous to walk. The road is used as a cut through with no regard to speed. The fact that there are 2 very large populated villages that could walk to the Parkway but chose not to as it is not safe, also you need to cross the road frequently to walk in the direction of oncoming traffic. If I need to catch a bus into Pershore or the city I use the bridge to walk up Crookbarrow way too Whittington road

Something must be done about this situation before a serious accident happens!

We need a footpath as this would allow use to walk along the lane including to parkway.

The road is extremely dangerous for people walking especially during the winter months. This situation should have been put in when parkway was opened. Originally there was talk of lights in the bridge to slow traffic down and to discourage it being a cut through shame it didn't happen

When turning into wabourough road by retreat(coming from norton) its quite hard to see what's coming round corner. I often stop before turning. I see daily people not really looking and just turning when ca4s coming. I think ideally the hedge needs cutting back

More houses are being built in our area which means more people will want to access the train station. Why build the active corridor, all that money spent on bridges to make Norton accessible, and not complete the pathway? The original plans should have been followed. A pathway would solve the issue. Please don't wait until there is a fatality!

Please put in safety measures now before it's too late.

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needs sorting before a serious incident occurs

Need to add a pavement and street lights

I suspect more pedestrians and cyclists would use this route to the station if it were to be made safer.

This lane is very busy and improvements must be made as soon as possible to improve the safety of everyone using it.

Woodbury Lane should be made one way, this would allow for a path to be provided to the Parkway station, keeping pedestrians and vehicles safe to use whilst both using the road.

Don't punish the motorist here for a very poor decision by council to designate this a safe route to The Parkway.

Speeding is a factor on the road. Many cars don't stick to 30mph. When you do drive to the law they sit on your bumper

The building work planned and increased traffic the risk assessment is likely to increase to intolerable.

Traveling from the retreat along Woodbury lane, the footpath from the 'roller' on the corner along and 30m down the lane before turning left to join the footpath and re joining the road is blocked by large mounds of earth. The footpath should be reinstated, to allow a safe pedestrian and cycle option.

Try to avoid it when it is dark as it is difficult to see pedestrians.

The road is just too narrow. Generally people don't walk along here.

A path is needed immediately

A pedestrian footpath will narrow the road and in turn slow the speed of cars down due to limited passing

Concern about increased traffic and pedestrians on narrow road and bridge

There is a desperate need for a formal foot path on this route. I commute this route 3 times a week and would reduce my car use if there was a safe walking route to allow me to do so. The addition of a foot path would reduce car pollution created by those needing to reach the station from villages surrounding the retreat.

Living in Brockhill Village, i would like to be able to walk to the railway station, but don't because of lack of pedestrian pavement. The route to the railway station is advertised as a pedestrian route and I think Woodbury is a very dangerous place for people to walk.

The 'old' plan, for traffic lights around the railway bridge and narrow bends which provided alternate travel in each direction for cars and allowed for a pedestrian and cycle path through this section, seems a safe and effective solution.

Action should be taken to protect pedestrians and cyclists before a fatal accident happens.

There should be a footpath installed (which also has lighting) to enable vulnerable members of the community to use this road and to access a wider network of transport.

I used to walk and cycle along this route regularly to commute to work by train. I hated doing it as there were always cars driving too fast and there is no where for a walker to safely go. There are also a lot of sharp bends so it meant often crossing the road so that drivers could see me. The station car park is often full by 9.30 am which people have no choice but to walk. Others drive instead of getting the train as the route there is too unsafe.

I hope the concerns of the people who have bothered to do this survey actually get listened to, & things improve.

Something needs to be done before a fatality

*Unacceptable that a parkway station has no safe walking route to nearest village
Please install a pavement along this route. Create a pedestrian crossing over the railway near The Retreat pub so people can access the railway station from Littleworth/Norton side so that pedestrians and cyclists can reach the station safely.*

It is very misleading when planners say that the station is walkable because in reality it is a very dangerous undertaking. I have done it from Hatfield a number of times and I can confirm that you take your life in your hands on the Woodbury Lane section due to lack of a footpath.

Definitely needs addressing in terms of making it more safer, being the main route to a train station and no space for pedestrians to walk safely, especially on darker nights etc. speed definitely needs addressing

*Double yellow lines along the bend near the Parish Hall to stop parking there.
Segregate traffic from pedestrians in this area- build a new road (should have been done before the station was finished) stupid planners'*

It's a miracle there's not already been a serious injury

For a major route to the station, footpath needs to be installed before someone is injured. Ideally there should be a path alongside the railway line from the Retreat to the station so that pedestrians have no need to walk along Woodbury Lane. We should be encouraging pedestrians and cyclists to use that lane safely especially when there is a college and train station nearby. But I personally don't feel safe walking there and as a resident in the village, I should be able to walk to the train station safely.

A pavement should have been installed when the station opened as promised

A serious accident will occur & with all the proposed building work this will only get more likely.

Flooding has also become a problem again

If there is still a plan for making the villages remotely connected to the station or main road for buses, a proper footpath must be implemented. Down the side of the railway behind the Retreat and bridge over could be an option. Additional considerations for increased traffic under SWDP.

Remedy the lane before deaths occur

It is ridiculous that I live so close to train station that is not safe to walk to! I would love to walk down to the train station with my family and make use of having a station so close, but currently I would not feel safe walking a family down that road. It is a disgrace that the need for a safe walk/cycleway has been ignored after parish councillors have spent so many efforts to explain the folly of the existing "active travel corridor".

Families want to access community facilities such as cricket Sargeants Mess and the parish hall by foot or bike but can't so have to drive.

There needs to be a far better, wider, new pedestrian footpath from Brockhill Village to the Retreat and this lane too.

Needs a proper footpath installing, lane is only wide enough for two cars to pass safely. This should of been installed before train station opened

Unless action is taken, it is inevitable that there will be a serious accident, with pedestrians in greatest danger. I have also noticed an increase in the number of pedestrians on this stretch of road.

the continued insistence by Highways on ignoring the danger of the problem, (having agreed that it exists) is nothing short of scandalous.

Please install a footpath. The turn is blind and the pedestrian walking from the train (backway) have increased.

Since station was built , pathways should have be considered a lot sooner especially people wanting to walk to station. Woodbury Lane dangerous to walk as pathways do not exist and you are walking in the road in part which is dangerous.

There will be a fatality on Woodbury Lane unless a proper footpath is installed for pedestrians

A path that both pedestrians and cyclists can use is a very necessary before a major accident or even death occurs.

Desperately needs a cycle and pedestrian path for a safe route to the station. Could go through land off the lane by the retreat rather than adjacent to the lane

It's a shame that the original plans for Woodbury Lane were not put in place at the beginning to access the train station safely. I'm sure more people would walk or cycle there if it was safer. It is only going to get worse with the new purposed housing developments!

Action is needed especially as the road is becoming more popular to avoid the motorway roundabout

It is not a route I relish taking on my bicycle when I have to and I try take an alternative route when driving if at all possible

Traffic volume and speed isn't a major issue. The big problem is you can't safely walk to the station after the Retreat. Slowing traffic won't help solve the problem that you have to walk in the road around blind bends in both the daylight and the dark.