



SURVEY ON BUSINESS AND
RESIDENTS' VIEWS ON KINGS
HEATH AND MOSELEY LOW
TRAFFIC NEIGHBOURHOOD,
BIRMINGHAM

ABSTRACT

The results of a survey of residents and business owners on Phase 1 and Phase 2 of the Kings Heath & Moseley Low Traffic Neighbourhood

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Background

Between 19th May and 5th June 2024, Kings Heath Business Association ran an online survey that was emailed to all its members and widely advertised on social media. Residents and businesses in the Birmingham area were invited to participate.

The survey asked two questions

Question 1: Having seen the proposals for the road closures in Phase 2 of Kings Heath & Moseley Low Traffic Neighbourhood, which of the following statements best describes your view of them:

Question 2: The road closures of Phase 1 were introduced in October 2020 and involved closing all the roads on the westside of the High Street to through vehicle traffic. Additional roads were closed on the east side of the High Street and these were Poplar Road, School Road and Cambridge Road. Which of the following statements best describes your view of the road closures of Phase 1:

There were 6 additional questions which identified whether the respondent was a business owner, employee or resident. These were asked so that we could split the results between businesses and residents, plus identify 'spoiler' responses from people outside of Birmingham.

Summary of the results.

- 346 people completed the survey
- 58 respondents described themselves as business owners.
- 319 of the respondents described themselves as residents of Birmingham.

- 74% of all the respondents “do NOT want the road closures of Phase 2 to go ahead”
- 90% of business owners “do NOT want the road closures of Phase 2 to go ahead”
- 72% of residents “do NOT want the road closures of Phase 2 to go ahead”

- 74% of all the respondents either “want all the road closures of Phase 1 to be removed” or “want most of the [Phase 1] road closures to be removed but would like some to stay.”
- 91% of business owners either “want all the road closures of Phase 1 to be removed” or “want most of the [Phase 1] road closures to be removed but would like some to stay.”
- 72% of residents either “want all the road closures of Phase 1 to be removed” or “want most of the [Phase 1] road closures to be removed but would like some to stay.”

- 56% of all the respondents “want all the road closures of Phase 1 to be removed”
- 72% of business owners “want all the road closures of Phase 1 to be removed.”
- 55% of residents “want all the road closures of Phase 1 to be removed.”

How the survey was conducted

The survey used the online survey website Survey Monkey.

All members of Kings Heath Business Association were emailed informing them of the survey.

The survey was advertised on the following Facebook groups

- Kings Heath Business Association - 105 followers
- B13 Moseley, B14 Kings Heath & B12 Balsall Heath - 28,300 followers
- Kings Heath LTN (Low Traffic Neighbourhoods) concerns - 2,500 followers
- Rethink LTN - B13 & B14 - 283 followers

Members of the public and business owners were invited to take part.

In the final week all the businesses in York Road were leafleted about the survey and invited to take part. York Road was targeted, since we wanted to make sure the bars on this road had an opportunity to take part in the survey.

Following a request, a paper version of the survey was supplied to Station Road Mosque, Kings Heath. This was so that attendees of the mosque who did not have access to a computer could complete the survey. These completed surveyors were inputted onto a spreadsheet and added to the final tally.

How the survey was GDPR compliant

Early in the running of the survey a member of the public contacted Kings Heath Business Association and complained that the survey did not contain a Privacy Notice. This was remedied and a Privacy Notice was attached to the survey along with a consent question in which the respondent agreed to their responses being processed as set out in the Privacy Notice.

The survey also included a link to the Survey Monkey Privacy Notice, since the data was being held on the Survey Monkey servers.

The survey was password protected with only the survey manager, Martin Mullaney, able to access the survey.

A question was asked on social media about Kings Heath Business Association not being registered with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). It is not registered because Kings Heath Business Association is recognised as a small voluntary organisation and is exempt from the requirement to register with the ICO.

How 'spoiler' entries were identified

The results were analysed individually to remove any spoiler entries. We know that the Kings Heath and Moseley Low Traffic Neighbourhood (LTN) is a controversial subject and are aware of numerous people on local social media forums who do not live the Midlands, yet actively participate in debates about the Kings Heath and Moseley LTN. We wanted to make sure that only Birmingham residents, Birmingham business owners and employees in a Kings Heath business took part in the survey.

We are aware that the impact of Kings Heath & Moseley LTN covers a far wider geographical area than just the immediate area where roads have been closed in phase 1 of the LTN. To ensure we captured the wider impact of the LTN, we invited responses from business owners with businesses in the Birmingham area, Birmingham residents and employees in the Kings Heath area. This report gives a breakdown on the postcode areas of the businesses and residents, so it is possible to gauge the geographical spread of the impact of the LTN.

All business names given by the respondents to the survey were checked so that we were confident they were real business owners. 11 respondents who claimed to be business owners were removed from the results. This was due to them either:

- not providing the name of their business, plus not providing a post code of their residential address.
- or providing a fake business name.

Residents' responses were checked for name and post code. 24 responses were removed where there was no post code.

In total 35 responses were removed for providing no post code of their business/residency or providing a fake business name.

Entries that had replica IP addresses

This section on replica IP addresses was added on 12th June 2024, after the report was first made public on 7th June 2024.

Since the publication of this report, it has been claimed that the survey was faulty because the survey did not stop respondents making multiply submissions from the same computer or mobile phone. To respond to this claim, this section has been added.

When analysing the results, they were checked for multiply submissions from the same IP address. The results from Survey Monkey provided the IP address for each submission.

6 pairs of submissions were found to share the same IP address, with one triple submission from the same IP address. This was a total of 21 submissions.

All these submissions were examined. Of the 6 pairs of identical IP addresses, 5 were found to come from husband-and-wife submissions, with the sixth pair coming from a business owner and their employee. The employee made their submission five days after the business owner.

The one triple submission was found to come from different members of the same household.

Nothing untoward was found and the 21 submissions were allowed.

The Results – for all 346 respondents

Question 1: Having seen the proposals for the road closures in Phase 2 of Kings Heath & Moseley Low Traffic Neighbourhood, which of the following statements best describes your view of them:

	Response number	Percentage
I fully support the road closures of Phase 2 going ahead as proposed.	70	20%
I support Phase 2 going ahead with some minor tweaks – please list these in the comments box below.	13	4%
I want the proposed Phase 2 significantly redesigned but I do support the overall principle of closing all the roads on the east side of the High Street.	7	2%
I do NOT want the road closures of Phase 2 to go ahead.	256	74%
Total	346	100%

Question 2: The road closures of Phase 1 were introduced in October 2020 and involved closing all the roads on the westside of the High Street to through vehicle traffic. Additional roads were closed on the east side of the High Street and these were Poplar Road, School Road and Cambridge Road. Which of the following statements best describes your view of the road closures of Phase 1:

	Response number	Percentage
I want all the road closures of Phase 1 to stay as they are.	92	26%
I want all the road closures of Phase 1 to be removed.	193	56%
I want most of the road closures to be removed but would like some to stay. Please could you specify in the comments box below, which road closures you would like to keep.	61	18%
Total	346	100

Question 3: Which of the following descriptions best describes you (tick all relevant boxes):

	Response number
I am an owner of a business in Birmingham.	58
I am an employee of a business in Moseley, Kings Heath or Brandwood.	13
I am a resident of Birmingham	319

The Results for all 58 'business owners' respondents

The post code of the businesses where the respondent described themselves as a business owner:

Post codes of respondents	Response number	Comment
B11	1	This is a regular trader at Kings Heath Farmers Market
B12	1	This is a business owner who lives inside the phase 1 of the LTN
B13	11	
B14	40	
B24	1	Business owner lives in Moseley
B30	2	
B34	1	Business owner lives in Kings Heath
B90	1	Business owner lives inside the proposed phase 2 of the LTN
Total	58	

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	Response number	Percentage
I fully support the road closures of Phase 2 going ahead as proposed.	5	8%
I support Phase 2 going ahead with some minor tweaks – please list these in the comments box below.	0	0%
I want the proposed Phase 2 significantly redesigned but I do support the overall principle of closing all the roads on the east side of the High Street.	1	2%
I do NOT want the road closures of Phase 2 to go ahead.	52	90%
Total	58	100%

Question 2: The road closures of Phase 1 were introduced in October 2020 and involved closing all the roads on the westside of the High Street to through vehicle traffic. Additional roads were closed on the east side of the High Street and these were Poplar Road, School Road and Cambridge Road. Which of the following statements best describes your view of the road closures of Phase 1:

	Response number	Percentage
I want all the road closures of Phase 1 to stay as they are.	5	9%
I want all the road closures of Phase 1 to be removed.	42	72%
I want most of the road closures to be removed but would like some to stay. Please could you specify in the comments box below, which road closures you would like to keep.	11	19%
Total	58	100

The Results for all 325 ‘residents’ respondents

The post codes of respondents who were residents of Birmingham is below. Many of those with post codes outside of B13, B14 and B30 were business owners or employees.

Post codes of respondents	Response number
B11	2
B12	3
B13	99
B14	181
B17	1
B28	1
B29	2
B30	23
B31	1
B38	3
B47	1
B73	1
B75	1
Total	319

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	Response number	Percentage
I fully support the road closures of Phase 2 going ahead as proposed.	70	22%
I support Phase 2 going ahead with some minor tweaks – please list these in the comments box below.	13	4%
I want the proposed Phase 2 significantly redesigned but I do support the overall principle of closing all the roads on the east side of the High Street.	5	2%
I do NOT want the road closures of Phase 2 to go ahead.	231	72%
Total	319	100%

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	Response number	Percentage
I want all the road closures of Phase 1 to stay as they are.	91	28%
I want all the road closures of Phase 1 to be removed.	174	55%
I want most of the road closures to be removed but would like some to stay. Please could you specify in the comments box below, which road closures you would like to keep.	54	17%
Total	319	100

Comments made in the survey

Below are all the comments made by respondents.

I live off Billesley Lane and will feel marooned. Getting to places west of Kings Heath High Street will involve much longer journeys. Taxis will be more expensive and reluctant to pick us up.
Traffic calming in residential areas is a real plus
Delivery vehicles should be allowed access to businesses inside the York road bollards. How else do they get deliveries of things - by the vans and trucks parking in the main road blocking it off causing congestion, which is the opposite of what we want to happen. So specific deliveries should be allowed to the business within the bollard section of York road.
Living just off Billesley Lane we will effectively cut off from Kings Heath, unless we make a ridiculous detour to gain access to the already limited parking to do a weekly shop we will be forced to travel to "out of the area" retail parks to shop, costing us, the taxpayer, time, fuel and money and adding to the city's carbon footprint which, would go against the whole reason for this farcical idea.
It's making more traffic on main roads
Ltn is the worst idea ever
Phase one has more than halved my customer base
The road closures in place so far are already enough
Costs me more in fuel, I have to do more miles and sit in traffic (polluting) for longer. If common sense was used, that would be pretty obvious. I'm a local business owner.
Phase 1 has already caused chaos and more traffic it takes twice as long to get anywhere it's absolutely ridiculous
Businesses will/are suffering
No bus gate on Addison, remove no right turn off Addison and Vicarage Road
Why is Addison Road having a bus gate when it is a MAIN BUS ROUTE?
Traffic displacement from phase one directly affects my wife's travel to and from Selly Oak and Stirchley via King's Heath and Billesley. Children's groups and early years health checks across sites.

I, my husband and my neighbours are all elderly , living on Springfield Road. These plans Will isolate us and make mobility in and out of our road almost impossible. We rely on visitors, who won't be able to get to us as readily as before. In these proposals we have not been given consideration. We are very worried by these proposals.
It will compound the already negative effect of Phase 1
The ltn bores need to stfu now.
The whole LTN should be cancelled, it just moves pollution and causes more traffic on the surrounding roads
I live on the Alcester Rd Sth and the traffic has greatly increased.
The LTN has massively improved the character of the area
This will kill Kings Heath as a shopping destination and concentrate pollution on a small number of roads and also increase congestion.
To many cars on the main roads as it is with the first phase. Not considering the children health as they have walk on the many road
Not able to move from one ghetto to another, and no residence to cope with Road works by utilities
It is not necessary to close ALL the roads and this seems too draconian .We need more roads , not less - there's high street is single lane traffic ! Shirley etc are dual lane . What is being proposed will either exacerbate the problem hugely OR lead to kings heath being avoided altogether . Neither is a good outcome
More fumes ,as stand still traffic, less options to take short cuts. addingt on so much more time to journey. It is a rediculace idea in 1st place. And your not listening to the majority of people
Due to the h by restive impact from phase 1. Phase 2 will only make the situation more difficult. It is not realistic to expect everyone to walk everywhere or catch the bus. We have small children to drop off then get to work. Many health care worker's drivers need to drive to actually do their jobs.
It's a nightmare to get around kings heath as it is let alone with more road closures! The traffic just builds up in the main roads and it feels elitist that some roads are closed allowing those residents car free zones whilst others suffer the fallout
The closures funnel traffic down other roads causing worse environments for the people who live there. Why do their lives and their kids lives not count? My elderly mother cannot access the high street to get her shopping without doing a circuitous and time consuming route - no she can't get on a bike and carry her shopping. This benefits a small number of able bodied younger people who have the time or ability to walk/cycle. It's discriminatory and unfair
It will cause more chaos
It makes it too difficult to do my big shop in kings Heath so I'll go to Moseley or acocks green instead. Or Solihull.
It's awful as it is!
Causing air pollution and congestion to be moved to other areas instead
The road closures are causing chaos. Not least the fact that it is causing delays for ambulances as they do not know of the road closures. I would say at least 5 ambulances per week are having issues which concerns me as this could be causing deaths or severe complications for patients. I understand the sentiment and do agree but this is not making people leave the cars at home and in my opinion making the High Street more dangerous.
As a local business, paying significant rates to Birmingham City Council for over 60 years, this is added costs to our delivery service to local clients.

It is already a nightmare trying to travel through the high street after phase 1 being implemented.
Vicarage Road is a nightmare and unfair on residents. We can't travel and are discriminated against. Longer journeys to go to and from our house. More traffic jams and pollution
Traffic is already bad enough. These plans will not help
Bad enough as it is, a few one way systems could work but the proposed changes look awful
I've lost customers because of the closures so far. This will make things even worse for me.
They will be damaging to Kings Heath - no consultation with property owners - there should be a formal inquiry.
It affects businesses in the area.
Utterly ridiculous idea, what about those who can't walk or cycle. It has made our life so much more difficult. More pollution due to longer routes etc. Crazy idea but I doubt anyone will listen!! Disgruntled senior residents of KH
phase 1 has not reduced traffic and phase 2 will not either
Needs more cycling parking to encourage more people to make short journeys by bike. Scheme may need tweaking once in place if problems arise.
This is not the way to tackle climate change. It is madness
It's just going to keep pushing excess traffic onto the main high street and make it a nightmare for elder residents that can't walk the distance you expect locals to walk to avoid using cars
If this goes ahead I will no long be able to access my parents house. They are pensioners and need access in case of emergencies. Where are you ejecting this traffic to go? Another hair brained waste of money by an already bankrupt council.
It is only when the full plan is implemented will the benefits be fully realised for the residents of Kings Heath.
You have killed Kings Heath from Phase 1!!
Fails to achieve stated objectives. Another disaster for local business.
Happy for some roads to close to ensure traffic free routes to King Heath but be able to access easily from Moseley
I haven't bothered to fill in the BCC survey because I did so last time and they clearly have no interest in the wishes of residents.
Traffic is an absolute joke already this will only make it worse
In practical. Causes more pollution and increases traffic time. no gain to local community.
I live in Heathfield Road and will almost be trapped inside my house because the only way out will be via Melton Road, Institute Road and then the High Street which are all currentlly severely congested
Traveling around Kings Heath is now a nightmare needing to travel more than three times the distance to get from one side to the other.
When you divert traffic from one area it has to go somewhere and just causes issues elsewhere. Instead of closing roads why not make some of them one way offering plenty of options and relieving congestion.
There are excellent pedestrian/shared road schemes. I support these. Unfortunately, those in Birmingham seem to be badly designed and counterproductive
Looks great

<p>We provide care within the community and the road closures due to implementation of the LTN's have caused complete chaos. Due to traffic being diverted to one direction care staff travelling time from one client to another has almost doubled as it is. In an emergency situation it takes longer to reach our clients. I can only image this getting worse looking at the Phase 2 proposal.</p>
<p>Have we learned nothing? The current LTNs that were. Rought in under the cover of covid with no consultation have been a disaster, just moving traffic and making other areas congested and causes mayhem and carnage... the inability to now go to the shops super market make delivery's or just move freely around the neighbourhood is painfully and impossible, and yet you want to expand it and make it even more of a disaster. Do you really want to kill the city that bad? I sincerely hope not and you will look at removing these negative improvements and return the streets to the people.</p>
<p>And Phase 1 should be reversed as well, as many other councils are now doing.</p>
<p>Phase 1 is not working, phase 2 will only double the misery.</p>
<p>Look at the damage phase one has created. Also concerned as WMAS have confirmed delays because of it.</p>
<p>Phase 1 was implemented and wasn't agreed. Just dropped on us.</p>
<p>I would like increased traffic calming measures on billesley lane as feel those proposed aren't sufficient</p>
<p>Local businesses will be adversely affected</p>
<p>The implementation of a bus gate will significantly affect the families and staff coming to St Dunstan's school. We are opposed to this going ahead.</p>
<p>Phase 1 increased pollution, increased anti social behaviour and more damage to properties</p>
<p>Closing the roads is causing a lot of congestion. As a result the traffic has to travel longer route to navigate around. That is resulting more cars at the entry and exits. Longer stoppages at the red lights and slow movement through the area. Less number of people wanting to come in for a shop.</p>
<p>I have lived in Kings Heath for 30 years. Over that time , like boiled frogs, we haven't noticed to its full extent just how anti social the driving and parking has become. Uncontrolled this area will be become uninhabitable to families that not only use the many schools, but are customers of the businesses.</p>
<p>It's not a road closure. The road remains open, just not accessible from one end.</p>
<p>These restrictions do nothing to improve the environment, the roads or people's daily lives. My business has already suffered from the traffic delays on the high street and many of my students arrived in bad tempers and frustrated because they are too late for a class and some of them have returned home because the journey took too long. These restrictions benefit a minority of people and leave everyone else- frankly seething. You can't suddenly do a back turn with car usage. Our society has been developed around the car. The only sensible way to lower traffic is to drastically improve public transport and make it safer as well.</p>
<p>They're not road closures</p>
<p>The one-way systems, which are not explicitly referred to in the Council Survey, are likely to increase traffic on some roads and grossly inconvenience many residents. They are simply unnecessary. The right-turn prohibition at Valentine Road/High Street junction should be scrapped as it makes access to the south (Maypole and beyond) from the western side of the High Street very difficult.</p>

The roads that are used now Avenue road Vicarage road you can't breath on in peak times especially because of the traffic stuck bumper to bumper. Alcester Road is as bad too
The high street cannot cope with the amount of traffic phase 1 has caused adding to it is ridiculous
Ibsen road is a wide road that can manage traffic, I'm not sure closing it is helpful.
We need to encourage people to reduce car use
Billseley Lane needs more traffic calming or closing, chicanes do nothing. I would much prefer to see use of boulders instead of bollards, which looks far more natural. York road needs closing to traffic.
LTNs can work well when they're small, but when they become extensive they can cause big problems. They drive inequality, creating traffic-free streets in mostly affluent neighbourhoods while displacing traffic to poorer areas. Their environmental impact is either negligible or actually net negative, increasing traffic and journey times and pollution overall. And they make life particularly difficult for less-able or elderly people. All while dividing people and communities and causing social unrest. I've seen it happen in Oxford, where I used to live.
Splitting the streets of my neighbours into the have and have nots is unforgivable
I see the chaos caused by phase 1 on a daily basis and don't want it repeated daily and d
If I cannot drive to an area...I will not spend money there either...Well Done
I don't drive. However, there is a diagonal filter being installed on the crossroads where I live. It's bad enough now with the hooting of horns and arguments.
causing traffic problems for cars, emergency services , deliveries etc, remove LTN's already installed & scrape faze 2 installation
As a user of the high street who drives up from Brandwood, there is no reason to use the back streets.
Makes journies longer and creates more congestion
None of Birmingham City Council's stated aims on safety, pollution or encouraging cycling will be met by closing roads. The only aim which will be met is the unstated one of simply stopping people using cars.
The existing closures have not been effective for the whole area.
Speed bumps are needed on Brook Lane otherwise all the traffic will end up zooming down this road!
keep same things and I want remove LTN at sliver st and York Rd I am really sick of it ! (your idea is RUBBISH it more car stuck on road !!!
People have a right to move around freely .phase 1 is already making it difficult for people to get to and from areas surrounding kh
I am an employee of St Dunstans School. The bus gate will cause major problems for a large proportion of our families and Bishop Challoner families who travel from this direction. This will significantly impact on an already falling PAN. There is no feasible and safe place to organise a walking bus from this side of the school
The closures as propised mean that some areas will be completely inaccessible with a nassive detour
Most people that use the side roads such as Valentine and Springfield roads, do so out of necessity. The present bus services from the Yardley wood and hall Green side of kings Heath are woefully inadequate. The proposal will not decrease the overall traffic in the area, it will just force it onto the high street. The majority of which will be stuck at the traffic lights and the junction of Howard road and the high street waiting to

turn right. Due to Howard road having the sorting office there, it is a busy stretch of road anyway. The size of the junction is not wide enough to allow 2 lanes of traffic, so all vehicles attempting to go straight on towards the red lion, will be stuck behind all the traffic attempting to turn right. It's going to be chaos.
Because access for community NHS staff with equipment is compromised
Likely to mean that traffic has to travel further and so increase emissions. No logic to the proposals and no data to support
All it does it creates chaos, on the roads that are open
This is not a vote for doing nothing but the proposed plan is nothing more than anti car posturing. It fails to address the provision of alternative transport options for residents, it creates a betterment for a small number of roads to the huge inconvenience for many. We are simply wasting an opportunity to make real improvements because the council is blinded by their anti car ideology to even consider debate!
Being self employed I will lose work
Closing side roads just funnels cars into more congested roads.
It seems we (residents) have hobson's choice with their options on offer
This is against freedom of movement, this will significantly increase congestion on other roads and will make it even more unsafe for pedestrians (including kids) as well as motorists. Previous phase already failed as journeys became longer stuck in traffic for prolonged periods causing more issues and injuries. Not everyone can ride a bike or go on foot, and traffic issues are not resolved by LTN, they are just pushed into other roads. I am absolutely AGAINST this, this doesn't resolve the problem, it creates more of them! I am concerned about my school aged kids that travel to and from school on foot from Kings Heath and Moseley as traffic increased so much and more people get frustrated on the roads.
The LTN's are killing the area and community spirit. I feel isolated from KH and Moseley already and it's going to get worse. Closing roads won't stop people driving, it will force more cars into fewer roads and increase pollution in those streets. Further, due to the inevitable further delays more restrictions will cause, I see more drivers taking larger risks to get from a to b
I am a local resident with a disability. The extension of the LTN will add significant time to me getting around the local area
I visit the area regularly and the LTNs do not stop me from visiting
This will prevent me from shopping in Kings Heath. Will be easier to drive to the Maypole or Shirley
It shows a complete disregard for the wellbeing of so many local people
It's absolutely ridiculous in its current form. Institute Road will be a nightmare. If I can't find a space I have to drive a mile to get to the other end of the road. Addison is a B road and having a bus gate but it has hardly any traffic anyway
Fully support these proposals
The proposals are merely diverting traffic onto other roads and not actually reducing the volumes of cars at all. What we need are better, more efficient/electric public transport options, which are easy/value for money to persuade people to switch to using it. The current LTN fails to reduce traffic, or pollution is an ineffective tool
I struggle at the moment to do my job with the first LTN
There are no new provisions for pedestrians in the peripheral areas...crossings on the roads that will have significant increase in traffic, barriers and yellow lines to stop parking in roads nearby

I believe they cause more traffic on other roads around King's heath which causes more pollution and harm to the environment.
Phase 1 was chaotic, greater pollution resulted in the routes where traffic is forced down.
The closure of roads is not the way forward not will it stop people from using their cars. Implementation of one way systems and speed bumps would be a much better use of money to allow flowing traffic around our neighbourhoods.
I am trapped in one of the roads odd Billesley Lane. I used to visit 3 or 4 times a week for shopping and cafes. Now I visit about once a fortnight and it will be even less if Phase 2 gors ahead.
One way on Springfield road south
They will have a significant negative impact on our safety, time and will cut us off from King Heath.
However will I ever be able to get to where I want unless I have to drive miles Round in a traffic jam, polluting the atmosphere?
Once the LTN I now avoid both Moseley and kings Heath due to the LTN road closures but occasionally will still go to kings Heath if necessary. However with phase 2 getting to either of these places will require me to join what will become essentially a ring road on an already very busy road. Directing all traffic onto one road is madness and I envisage traffic bumper to bumper. I don't cycle and I wouldn't walk to my local shops as it's too far and I have poor mobility. I now drive 3 miles to Shirley which is a lovely place to shop and has plenty of free parking. This plan if goes ahead will be the death of kings Heath
The road closures are causing chaos by funnelling traffic onto already congested roads including those with schools. It's becoming impossible for all traffic to move, especially with high numbers of roadworks and temporary traffic lights. This is preventing buses and emergency vehicles, let alone other road users from going about their daily business. I am totally against LTN and I'm considering moving house away from the area due to the congestion and traffic chaos that it has caused. Please stop closing roads, I beg you.
The current LTN's in place are a huge inconvenience, phase 2 would significantly negatively impact the ability to travel in and around King's Heath via car. The LTN's exclude disabled individuals and those that have to rely on travelling by car from the King's Heath High Street which is damaging to retail. I personally spend more time driving in Kings Heath now due to current blockages which defeats the goal of reducing emissions.
As a doctor this makes home visits tough and at times impossible
I live down Mossfield Rd. I do not want to access my home only from the high street. I did not buy a house in a cul de sac but your new road closures will mean I now live in one. I also work in Walsall so getting to work will also be a huge issue due to the road closures.
My Road which is not in King's Heath ward now has double tge traffic. At peak times we have standing traffic outside our home.
I want phase one scrapped too.
limiting free movement of cars. Block the highway
LTN has caused severe traffic & increased travel time & fuel costs
Journey takes longer, more fule, more pollution. Saw an ambulance had to turn due to the road closures. More traffic

the best option in my knowledge is that we don't need to close any roads, but to introduce one way streets, where you come in a road and come out of the next road, works beautifully and good for all and they have this system in most places. Closing all roads is ridiculous and actually causes more traffic and pollution.
remove phase 1
I am going to lose work being self-employed. I rely on my car to get from place to place. Its extra pollution and traffic to go round in circles to get to your destination.
Its not good for locals. Its more trouble than anything else. Please stop this. It costs more money, more unhealthy for the environment, more time wasting.
Bad for business
Causing big problems
Will affect my daily commute by 1 hour
All this is a nuisance. Stupid waste of time. Causes business to close. It must be removed all of it.
It's divided the community, no benefit whatsoever. We spend more time on the roads. It causes road rage and nothing for the environment whatsoever. Spend money where it's needed - potholes, street cleansing, bins, helping the people.
It's a free world - tied up like mice in a cage
Phase 1 has already affected our business and will only get worse. Remove road closures and change to one way/speed ramps/ cameras
I live on Institute Road which is appalling. Ppl park and walk back up to the gym, costing residents spaces o/s their own homes, day and night speeders use it like an F1 track and it's a rat-run with regular head2hesd road wars, angry stubborn drivers beeping their horns and screaming at each other. All our cars are damaged to hell and back cos of rude driver not giving way and 'squeezing' through. MAKE THIS ROAD ONE WAY!! THIS HAS TO STOP
Resident in Moseley
Stan is a melt.
I'm self-employed and the whole LTN scheme impacts on my ability to travel to and from my various work locations.
KH Resident
York Road is the only closure I would like to retain
I live on Woodville Road. Phase 2 would effectively block me in.
I lived in the area all my life. Shop elsewhere due to struggling to get into kings heath with severely autistic adult
since phase 1 of the LTN, I have changed my shopping habits & now rarely go into Kings Heath to shop or dine out as the Roads that are open leave a lot to be desired
I am also a community nurse around kings heath and the closure have significantly impacted my travel time to see patients.
I'm a resident of b14, and a disabled one to add.i don't use shopping center in kings heath ,as you have not thought about people that can not walk far. Why have you not thought of one way system instead??
Closing all the access roads from station and grange road will 'cage us in' forcing traffic the long way round causing more congestion and pollution
I live in Kings Heath
I live in kings Heath but it will be difficult to drive to the high street for a big shop.
York road is great

Keep York Rd
As well as living in Kings Heath I also work on the High Street so can see first hand the issues the LTN are causing.
Personally i think the station road bollard should be removed and become a one way road as it was before. Some of the bollards around Vicarage rd should be removed to aid the awful traffic around the rush hours. Also I believe the no turning right at the top end of vicarage road highstreet side should allow to turn right to reduce congestion on institute rd and down to the roundabout
I live with a bollard directly outside my house. I have suggests from ill- mental health as a direct result of constant reversing, lack of parking for those of us who live on the road. No consultation
It's destroying businesses.
Expensive & unnecessary closures leading to massive pollution on the high St & especially Vicarage Rd. HOW IS A BANKCRUPT COUNCIL INTENDING TO PAY???
York rd is nice
All saints Road should be a one way street instead of blocked off so as to improve flow around the top of vicarage road. Station road should also be one way so as to make a route to bypass the high street to get to the train station
My parents live off a road affected and our head been beneficial even if completely inconvenient. The closure on school Road has prevented many accidents due to idiots speeding down the road and ceiling crashes with cars coming out of the roads which have obscured visibility
My wife is disabled and relies on car transport. This is increasingly difficult, phase 1, extra traffic blocking existing through roads etc..
It has caused alot of distruptions in daily commute
I would keep York Rd and would be in favour of some traffic calming measures such as one way systems or speed bumps. Reducing traffic is a worthy ambition, but the way it is done with total disregard for the mental health of commuters is disappointing.
I live in Kings Heath
York road pedestrian area is great. Other areas should have done one way streets instead of closures.
I live on Institute road, and the parking is bad enough as it is. I'm also the local postman, covering the High street, Poplar Rd, York Rd, Station Rd and Westfield Rd. As a result, I see daily the chaos that goes on as a result of the existing ltn. Though I DO support York Rd and Poplar Rd remaining closed due to the businesses being affected.
I object to the authoritarian way in which the LTN was first introduced and the way in which the bankrupt Council continues to try and press ahead with the scheme against the wishes of the majority of residents and businesses
Customers are continually complaining about getting to our store and the extra time stuck in traffic. York Road has been closed with no benefit with the exception of a couple of hospitality businesses who have benefited from a free beer garden on the odd occasion it is not raining and then only at weekends. All other times York Road has been turned into a deserted baron space with no soul and unable to sustain a retail business.
Since the road closures there are always traffic jams and congestion on the roads. In the other hand it has made adverse impacts on most of the businesses in kings Heath.

I live between Billesley Lane & the High St, I have to use my car but I won't be able to get to the High St I or Moseley village without a massive detour on roads that won't be able to cope with the extra traffic
Taking a holistic view of traffic movement and with minor road changes the chaos that has ensued since Phase 1 was introduced could be reversed. If the goal is to remove all traffic then the High Streets in both Kings Heath and Moseley will suffer.
I against all Ltns but would support one way roads with traffic calming methods that allowed free flowing traffic through Kings Heath and i not against the proposed permanent pedestrianisation of the current location of York Road if this was the only closure.
Also a resident in Kings Heath. I think a one way system on some roads would be better.
York road can stay closed
The businesses have really suffered and a lot of businesses that have been operating on the High Street in Kings Heath have sadly closed down due.
As a business owner the decline of customers on the high st has been due to the LTN's putting visitors off.
But no longer shop in Kings Heath.
It has really impacted the neighborhood with many of us feeling unable to properly access our homes. My elderly father feels he can no longer come to our house as there is no near parking and the High Street traffic is worse.
headteacher in Kings heath and resident
I am a resident of Kings Heath who feels that business shouldn't dictate how residents live
My child attends a special school in kings heath so we have to travel daily through kings heath. The ltn make our journey stressful
It's so difficult to get into kings heath to shop. I have arthritis and can't walk too far
The York Doad pedestrianisation is a good idea but the road closures are, otherwise, making people drive further and the scehme has not worked.
I live on an existing boundary road
I can just about endure the racket from annoyed drivers. Really don't need more of it.
uninstall all LTN's completely and save business plus leave our roads & streets for free movement of people & all types of transport
I would keep York Road pedestrianised as this is a great new community space but get rid of the rest; the other closures are creating quieter streets for a privileged few while elongating journeys and increasing traffic for everyone else, phase 2 is an attempt to mitigate some of the damage caused by phase 1 but just moves the problems further out as you naturally run out of roads to close.
My wife has severe mobility issues. Birmingham City Council are making life much more difficult for people like her.sking
I was born kings heath all my Lise and I see LTN is Ruin ! and Ruin business and park space ! it horrible !please remove !!!!
I frequently travel from billesley to Birmingham univ and i am no longer able to do so without going all the way round my son also runs a mobile disco and for years we took the heavy equipment to york road are bcc going to rehouse the premises effected elsewhere w its alreay problomatic getting the equipment serviced
Keep York Road as is. For everything else make riads one way
The transport to my son's day centre has been removed which means that I now have to take him by car. The journey in the car takes no more than 15 mins each way,

<p>however on the bus it requires 3 separate buses and takes 1hr 45 mins each way. By the time I got home I would need to leave to collect him again. When phase 2 is introduced, that 25 min journey will take twice as long. I know this to be true as fairly recently Springfield road was closed and it took me 35 min each way. I cannot understand how this can help either the pollution levels or businesses. Extra traffic brings more pollution not less.</p>
<p>As a plumber, I used to be able to get from virtually anywhere in Moseley to anywhere in Kings Heath in about ten minutes, knowing all the back roads and junctions to avoid, not speeding. Now, it can take 40 minutes to get from the bottom of Station Rd to Manjits, and a similar time to get back, at the wrong time of day. As such, I am boycotting many roads. You idiot councillors inflicting these changes on us - try living here, you've done nothing to change overall traffic, you've just moved it, often to longer queues outside schools. Overall pollution is the same, journeys are longer, road rage increased. Just admit you've got it wrong and undo all the harm you've managed to inflict so far.</p>
<p>Open all the roads, we have too many cars on the roads, we need everything open</p>
<p>The proposal tackles nothing of the overpopulation of cars in KH by residents. Just going to build a horrible car park. I will not bring my daughter cycling anywhere near it let alone visit walk through KH. The entire proposal is so badly thought through and a waste of the moneys I pay in tax.</p>
<p>York Rd can be pedestrianised but business should be consulted. School Rd could be made 1 way.</p>
<p>Self employed tutor, that needs to get from A to B efficiently without extra time wasting</p>
<p>Though if ITNs and other foolhardy measures are enforced, I would consider leaving the area to somewhere with more freedom</p>
<p>I visit regularly and the LTNs do not put me off</p>
<p>Closing off the roads by the schools eg School Road is a good idea for the safety of the children</p>
<p>Enforcement of restrictions needs to happen and provisions for pedestrians. Roads such as Woodthorpe and Taylor have had a significant increase but no additional crossings or provision</p>
<p>They have harmed business on the high street. It makes it more difficult for people to go there.</p>
<p>I don't want any of the road closures to stay but that option wasn't available. I would support one way systems along with traffic calming. The current closures have affected me and my disabilities. I dread to think what the next phase will do to affect me.</p>
<p>I have spent literally thousands of pounds on-line since Phase One came in rather than in KH. Admittedly some of that was supermarket shopping (now having deliveries) but a lot has been lost to the high street. Also, as a disabled person, I miss the little outings.</p>
<p>York road should be the only one to stay</p>
<p>I am 75 and need my car to get to places. At the moment it can take me 20 mins to get from Moseley into King's Heath just to get my medicine. The LTN does not take into account that some of us are elderly and we need a car to shop!</p>
<p>I feel the current road closures are ok and am happy with the status quo.</p>
<p>In phase 1 rather than road closures, roads should be one way</p>

<p>All routes are now more congested than before the road closures. Kings Road in my tenure has had four sinkholes. The road is a nightmare. 42 tonne lorries now frequent this road. I invite anyone to come along to Kings Road (Vicarage Road end) at 8.15am to 8.45am and 2.45pm to 3.15pm weekdays and schooldays. Also my car has had to have 2 new wings and a new side mirror.</p>
<p>It's just a complete waste of public money. It's no benefit to anyone. This is a huge problem with traffic issues and turning the around with minimal space. It affects everyone in terms of getting late for appointments due to congestion. This makes it hard for my daughter who has panic, anxiety, stress disorder. I have a disability and I need to be able to get to appointments quickly.</p>
<p>There is already chaos on Vicarage Road and this will just cause more chaos and traffic on the main roads. It's closing businesses and a waste of tax payers money. Not everyone can walk or cycle or have time to walk or cycle. It's a nice idea bit it doesn't work. Just causes lots of anger and upset and destroys businesses. Nice to have train station, but we have to catch bus to get there , we may as well stay out. There's no parking at stations. If you want people to use the trains then build car parks so people can leave their cars. Yardley Wood is great as I can leave my car and get the train.</p>
<p>Why don't the planning panel listen to the people of Kings Heath. If phase 2 goes ahead it will be the final nail in the coffin. Kings Heath will simply die. I did not agree with the road closures in the first phase. They have caused many, many people to avoid the area altogether. The High Street has become a car park!</p>
<p>I was born in Kings Heath (now 94) and have seen a slow destruction of a once superb shopping district. Now more shops will close. I want a complete reassessment of phases 1 and 2. People who live here can give a better solution, which supposed experts can't see. No public meetings have been proposed t rectify changes.</p>
<p>This would cause even more of an inconvenience for us. Having to go all the way around and travel further to get to the High Street increases our travel time journey which is a nuisance for us.</p>
<p>This will lead to congestion elsewhere. Too much traffic is heading towards the alternative routes. More pollution for those who are living in those roads.</p>
<p>This will cause more chaos. Its very disruptive and takes forever to navigate. A 5 min journey can now take up to 15 minutes in peak times.</p>
<p>Will be very inconvenient for travelling and it will cause a lot of traffic congestion.</p>
<p>The map on the online consultation is almost illegible; - this does not make for a fair consultation. I am retired. My car is my lifeline for my independent, but mobility limited life. I do feel the consultation should be cognisant of the many people with similar circumstances. I am also aware that closing some roads, will cause other roads to become 'rat runs' in their place.</p>
<p>I am 78 years old. My car is my lifeline as I have limited mobility, so can't walk very far or "get on my bike". There are many more people in my situation and the LTN has caused me many problems with the traffic jams on the main roads.</p>