

Trinity Road – Prohibition of Motor Vehicles Consultation

Comments

Comments in favour of proposal

Very useful for walking with my children, as the pavement is too narrow to walk side by side, holding their hand.

Also my friend is in an electric wheelchair and has found this change to be of huge benefit.

Great but double yellow line would be good all along wetherhead road as to many cars parking there plus sped cars come down dean street not good for pulling out so maybe roundabout or traffic lights been to many accident on that junction

During the trial I have noticed how safe it is to walk and cycle using this route. It has not caused any additional traffic and has made the approach to Holy Trinity school much safer.

We need to encourage active travel on our local roads - especially those near schools!

One small Road won't make much of a difference in the grand scheme of things.

We need a safe, connected, Network for walking and cycling that has a preference over motor vehicles and it needs to be the easier safer option by design.

Then people will use it.

Half the people who oppose this scheme are concerned that the traffic volume on our small local streets is already too high, and the worry that this scheme will make traffic on THEIR neighbouring street worse.

Once thing is clear... there is an overwhelming united concern, that traffic levels are too high.

We need a vision. Someone needs to paint the picture of what we are working towards, and the are many examples around the world that are working very well.

Otherwise this piecemeal approach will only cause friction based on very short term thinking.

I think this proposal is absolutely brilliant and the right decision. I used to live on Spring Gardens and used this road a lot. The pavement isn't wide enough to fit a buggy so you have to use the road and when there are motor vehicles also using the road this was very dangerous. Also, on numerous occasions I witnessed dogs and children run out of Rookery park onto the road and have near misses with cars speeding along the road. I still use this road a lot to walk along as I have a child at

Sandygate school and walk into town and it's much more of pleasant and safe experomcey being pedestrian only. I wholly support the proposal to make this road permentantly just for pedestrians.

The temporary close if this road, making it safe for cycling and walking, particularly up to the School, has been brilliant. Glad to hear it could be permanent

During the trial period I have walked and cycled down that road many times and feel a lot safer than I used to. Even walking felt unsafe at times as the footpath down that part of the road is very narrow.

ThE existing pavement is not wide enough for people to walk past each other without going onto the road. If motor traffic is allowed the path way should be widened. The road should be made one-way. I do not think that the cost of doing the above is worthwhile. The lack of the road is only minor inconvenience to the motorist.

The Quietway is wonderful!

The improvement it has brought to our lives is so much appreciated! We know some people struggle with change even when it's better for the community, the children and everyone really. It is so lovely to see our new Quietway busy with school kids, families, scooters and bikes without the threats and pollution of cars. Many thanks for all your efforts keeping it this way and thinking about further expansions and opportunities for your community into a future which is more considered, friendly and safe.

The road is narrow, and the footpath is VERY narrow, meaning that those of us with walking assistance or prams have to walk in the road.

I strongly support the quietway: Of all roads in Marlow, Trinity Rd is probably uniquely suited to pedestrianisation; relatively few motorists used it; the traffic diversion is very short; prior to closure the road was inefficient for traffic, unsafe for pedestrians and unsuitable for wheelchairs/scooters etc; at the same time, the road was and is a major walking route connecting the town centre with a swathe of NE Marlow, as attested by the high number of pedestrian movements before closure; and the scheme has been a success, as attested by the large increase in pedestrian movements since closure. The closure is particularly beneficial for the large numbers of school children who walk it to Holy Trinity school, and on days when large numbers of locals converge on the town centre.

On the other hand, though the displacement of traffic has been small it has been enough to markedly worsen traffic congestion in the section of Wethered Rd between Trinity Ave and Dean St. A number of my neighbours on Trinity Ave, as well as community group Transition Town Marlow, want further changes affecting Wethered Rd to address this problem.

Personally, I would like to see just small changes that might alleviate the worst of the congestion without further significantly restricting either traffic or parking. Especially, the last two parking spaces at the western end of Wethered Rd should be fully recessed with additional asphalt and clear on-road markings, so that there is always room for two-way traffic at the mouth of the road. One or two additional car parking spaces might be suppressed to ensure regular spaces for west-bound traffic to wait in while east-bound traffic filters through.

Returning to the quietway, I would like to know what are the plans for permanent signage at the northern entrance to Trinity Rd. The current temporary signs are unsightly. On the other hand, removing them might lead to more motorists parking in the mouth of the road. I would like to see a raised area of pavement in the middle, perhaps including a bench and certainly including a tree.

It is a great inclusive walking and cycling route from the north of Marlow through to the town centre, as well as from the centre to the Church schools in north Marlow. It makes me, my wife and my children feel a lot safer making this journey. The air is fresher, we can walk together (rather than one-by-one) safely into town, talking and communicating in a public space. Furthermore it establishes an inclusive and accessible route - wheelchair users have access where before the pavement was too narrow.

I am a bit worried about the increase of traffic in Wethered road but it is very nice to walk down Trinity Road safely now - not on the small narrow pavement as before.

I live adjacent to this road and as such have been able to witness the increase in non motorised vehicle traffic utilising this route. In the first week alone I met an elderly couple whose comment was "It's nice to walk down here without fear of passing traffic". It's a great proposal and should be maintained.

I've seen lots of comments about increased traffic, congestion etc. I'm not sure when this was seen as for me, apart for a few instances, it's been very relaxed.

I fully support the permanent closure of Trinity road, the path on its own is too small to walk down or pass anyone, the quiet way is also in front of the school and gets very busy, the current solution is much safer and I've not experienced any increase in traffic due to the quiet way. Vehicles only use as a short cut, frequently at quite high speed for the conditions.

We love it as a family of walkers and cyclists. It is so much safer. Especially given that the pavement is way too small to use.

I live on Oak Tree Road The quietway on Trinity Road significantly improves the walk into town as it links to the footpath alongside the cemetery. It is much more pleasant to use, especially as the pavement on Trinity Road is too narrow for prams, push-chairs, or even for two pedestrians to pass each other.

I have a 4 year old son and we use this road every day to walk or cycle to pre school or to the town. He would not feel confident riding on the very narrow path or road if cars were permitted and would be detrimental to his health and confidence. I am trying to teach him the importance of transport being green and sustainable and schemes like this allow me to do so.

We also have a 12 week old and the path is so narrow a buggy would need to walk on the road if we wanted to go into town.

This is a great initiative cutting out unnecessary road traffic, making it safer for cyclists and pedestrians. It would be better to see actual, dedicated, uninterrupted cycling routes appearing, but given the shocking infrastructure for non-motorists in Bucks and particularly in Marlow, this is a good first step.

I 100% support the restrictions due to motor vehicles. Thank you.

This should be just the start of making walking and cycling around Marlow the most attractive option. Car related congestion and pollution is slowly choking Marlow, and the current proposal is a genuine opportunity to improve a small part of the local pedestrian and cycle infrastructure (that shouldn't be used as a cut through by cars).

It's much safer for people to walk through.

This has proven to be a very good way for us, our old neighbours and families with youngsters to walk into town safely. I am a car driver who used to occasionally drive down there carefully but many did not, quite terrifying. I have found it no trouble to drive the alternative route. Hope the quiet way stays.

If you look how many use it now I think the footfall may even have increased!

This is such an important safe walkway for residents, school children, cyclists, residents with mobility scooters, families etc

I use this walkway constantly and feel too much safer now it is without cars and delivery vans. The road is not wide enough for vehicles to pass and drivers were constantly aggressive to each other as one had to reverse. Such a stressful place to walk along with vehicles. It is very important to keep pedestrianised for the safety of local residents

The proposal is acceptable. But the parking situation in Wethered Road needs urgent consideration. At the moment cars can park on the SE side of the road and are causing a lot of problems and safety concerns because the road is effectively reduced to a single lane. The closure of Trinity road means that there is an increase in traffic along Wethered Road. Holy Trinity School has a lot of traffic during set down and pick up times which exacerbates the problem.

The Wethered Road, Cambridge Road and Stokenchurch Road crossroad has become more busy and dangerous because of the traffic buildup when trying to get into Wethered Road.

In short, traffic parking in Wethered Road needs to be addressed, especially at the crossroad end.

This improves the safety of children going to/from school and encourages active travel

Gives a safe route for pedestrians, cyclists and mobility scooters. No problem for motorists to find an alternative route.

This is an excellent scheme. The pavement is far too narrow for pushchairs/ wheelchairs and the narrow lane created, with growing frequency, conflict with drivers going opposite ways meeting somewhere in the middle and one car having to reverse back up - impacting pedestrians etc...

To enable full utilisation of this route for active travel more needs to be done. 1) Create a grace period of free parking for school drop-off at Dean street car park - at least in morning rush hour. so the school can promote a park 'n stride route to Holy Trinity School - reducing traffic and pollution at Holy Trinity School gates.

2) At busiest times (school drop-off & pickup times) Wethered road could be closed to through traffic (keeping access open to residents at all times). Ensuring the safety and health of Marlow school children.

3) cycle / buggy friendly access and route along alleyway to Oaktree Rd/Wycombe Rd from Trinity quietway. Dropped curb at corner of Spring gardens/Wethered Rd , with traffic calming to stop cars speeding around the bends..

Please leave this road as a quiet way.

I use every day and it's a joy to go along it in peace

I have witnessed less traffic in front of the school, especially around the dangerous Trinity Road and Wethered Road junction. I have seen more children walking up Trinity Road to school as there is now no danger from cars using Trinity Road.

No parking fees in Dean Street car park for the school opening and closing times would ensure even greater success for this scheme because parents could park there and take the 10 minutes to walk up Trinity Road, drop off their children and get back to the car.

Marlow is so busy and frequently congested with cars, vans and lorries that to have a road that is quiet and pedestrian friendly is a real plus. Definitely recommend!

My daughter is at Holy Trinity so we use this route regularly either by bike or on foot.

It has made a really positive difference particularly for the benefit of Holy Trinity School and the school children and families involved. A real success story. Well done to all involved in its creation.

I often walk with my children around there and it's so much better with no cars. I also drive a lot round there at rush hour and it's made very little difference to our drive time.

I am walking into town much more because of it. Before we had to walk down the very busy Wycombe Road because Trinity Road felt too dangerous with cars coming and going. It's meant we cycle and walk much more. Thank you for trialling this and I hope you keep it closed to traffic and for pedestrian use only.

I support the permanent pedestrianisation of Trinity Road in Marlow for the following reasons:

- (1) It removes a "rat run", used by cars, delivery vans and even large trucks, that serves no major use to motorised transport (there are other available routes in to town).
 - (2) During the trial period, from my observations, there has been a distinct increase in people walking up and down road, as well as accessing Rookery Park. Whilst I have always walked up and down Trinity Road, it has certainly encouraged me to use the route more.
 - (3) It encourages walking and represents a "natural" walking route from the N and NW of Marlow.
 - (4) The trial has allowed people to walk side-by-side and pass safely. The current pavement is too narrow for people to pass; widening the footpath and restricting road to one way would just encourage speeding and "rat running".
 - (5) The scheme dovetails in with overall objectives of reducing car usage, improving air quality and generally improving our environment.
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I like to walk through to town and this feels a lot safer.

It makes my walk to town easier and more pleasant

As a resident of Trinity Road, Marlow, I am a keen supporter of the Trinity Road quiet-way trial, now to be made permanent following the public consultation.

Yes it is of great benefit to residents of Trinity Road, but I wish to highlight the following benefits that this scheme will bring to all Marlow residents:

Healthier lifestyle: As an active non-car owning bicycle user & walker, I find the quiet-way totally in line with my lifestyle aims & beliefs.

Childrens' safety: Every morning as parents accompany their children (and then in the afternoon as they wait to collect them) to Holy Trinity School, right in front of my house, I appreciate that there is now a safe place there for them to do so, so different from when traffic cut down Trinity Road.

Enhancing our sense of community: Now pedestrians stop and talk to us as they saunter into town enhancing the strong sense of community that Marlow is known for.

Pedestrian safety: Trinity Road is very narrow and does not lend itself to road traffic, leaving little no safe space for pedestrians.

Clear pedestrian route into the Town Centre: Marlow is remarkable for its web of pedestrian

footpaths giving safe, enjoyable & quiet access through the town and the Trinity Road Quiet-way extends the North-South pedestrian route all the way from Marlow Bottom right to the town centre of Marlow.

This closure benefits a large population beyond the Trinity road area. Anyone who walks to the Town Centre from the Oak Tree Road and Seymour Park Road areas (and feeder roads, Seymour Plain etc) uses Trinity Road and benefits from the quietway.

We use it several times a week.

As a resident of Trinity Road I wholeheartedly support the proposal to make permanent the current pedestrian only status.

My main concern is for the safety of pedestrians. The pavement is narrow and will not allow parents with children to walk safely. Nor will it allow wheelchair access.

Cyclists are also at risk as the road is not wide enough to pass a car safely.

Since we have had the new pedestrian only access we have seen a transformation in Trinity Road!

Many parents use it to walk to collect their children from Holy Trinity School. It is well used by dog walkers and other pedestrians and I have noticed a new sense of community spirit as total strangers now greet each other.

I thank the members of the Council for this improvement to the quality of life in Marlow.

As a resident of Trinity Road for over 20 years I fully support the proposals put forward. The road was never wide enough for two way traffic and the pavement can only accommodate 1 pedestrian. Pushchairs and people with shopping trolleys had to use the road.

Local residents can now walk into town in safety not always having to dodge the cars.

Also I've noticed far more families and groups with children walking into town surely a good thing.

Without traffic the air is much cleaner.

With more traffic using Wethered Road surely there is need for a low speed limit especially in the vicinity of Holy Trinity School also double yellow lines along the Church Wall. At the moment it's a death trap especially around 3.30

every weekday when all pupils leave from the one gate.

Just for information - Trinity Road must be one of the oldest roads in Marlow. It only got this name in 1852 when the Church was built. Before that it was called Gun Lane named that because of Marlow's association with the Military.

My Daughter goes to the school and I feel it is definitely safer.

We purposely take the longer route into the town to use this pedestrianised road with our two young sons. It is a fantastic change. I have always used this road since a child and feel safer taking my children this route

It's a safe route for pedestrians to get to the high street and very good for children as a direct route to school.

There are also several people who use mobility scooters that benefit from the new restrictions. It would be a shame to remove these restrictions for the sake of the impatience of car drivers.

My mum is disabled and this quite way is perfect for her to get into the town as she cannot get onto the narrow pathements. Truth be told barely anyone went down this road and was incredibly dangerous as the elderly be thought it was smart to walk on the road in the dark

If this is going to be permanent then you need to widen the last section of Wycombe road, between Green Verges and the junction of little Marlow road, I also think a large raised roundabout should be put in place to slow traffic so joining traffic can get into town and also out of Glade road. Please feel free to contact me for more information that I have. I'm also a HGV driver so can help with size of junction improvements

I often use trinity ave to walk from my home to Marlow high street with my 2 children, one of which is in a buggy. Since the closure to vehicles it is so much safer!! A buggy barely fits on the pavement and if you meet someone walking the other way then one person would have to walk in the road so it is much much safer now that it is pedestrianised.

Before it was not safe to walk down there, the pavement was narrow and you need to step into the road to pass someone coming the other way. So much better now.

My child goes to the school and it makes for a much safer area to dismount bikes before crossing the road or waiting to enter the school before the gates are open. It's a pleasure to walk along the road with my child knowing it is safe as there aren't many places that can happen.

The road is much safer with children to walk as the pavement is very narrow and car were going quite fast. The crossing at Wethered road in front of the holy trinity school is also safer as it is easier to look for cars coming. It is also more quite in the area and safer when you go out if the rockery park

While the closure of Trinity Road is an improvement as walking into town is safer - cars often drove down too fast. The problem occurs now on Wethered Road as parked cars cause a build up of traffic outside the school at peak times. More yellow lines would provide passing places for cars at these busy times.

The quieter street is safer and a much more pleasant walk to Marlow. It is too tight and narrow for regular traffic to use as a cut through. I agree it should be for essential/emergency access only.

A great idea and one which the footfall data clearly shows is desired and beneficial. Many thanks for putting this in place

I saw mention of pedestrians being nervous of speedy cyclists and wondered if there is future potential to have one half as cycle and scooter lane and the other nearer the original pavement as pedestrian only?

Marlow should look to implement many more vehicle reduction activities throughout the town.

I am in favour of maintaining the restrictions, that road is far too narrow to safely be used by both pedestrians and vehicles. Since the road closure it is a lot more pleasant to walk into the centre of Marlow.

This has been hugely beneficial for me & my family. The pavement on this road is problematic if you have a buggy, where the chapel meets the pavement is impossible to navigate, therefore we always walked in the road, now it is safe. Also it means my daughter who is 4 can scooter without worry. This has positively impacted nearly everyday for us.

It's made a positive difference to the area. Trinity Road has historically been a difficult street to walk down with a narrow pavement and cars that don't slow to take account of the conditions. It's been transformed and makes the walk/cycle into town significantly more enjoyable for kids and parents alike.

In principle a traffic free thoroughfare is a huge improvement and I'd like to see more, and/or traffic calming. Speed restriction of 20mph within the town would be great too. Lots more people use Trinity Road since the restriction, and have discovered the access to lovely Rookery Park.

A welcome calm route for people who decide to not take a car. So much better than when you had to always be ready to jump onto the narrow path when a car came down if you were walking. Nicer to cycle as well. It would be good to have help for pedestrians crossing Wethered Rd at school drop off and pick up (zebra/lollipop/short road closure) Also promote use of Dean St car park for drop off/pick up - make it free for short time for this.

I live a little further out and regularly drive into the centre of Marlow. I have never, at any point, noticed the loss of this route for my car.

I also walk into the centre regularly, and my route includes Trinity Road. Definitely a good step to make this permanently pedestrianised and stop the potential rat run-style route up from the car park at the other end.

It needs to stay as a quiet way as it is so dangerous trying to walk on the narrow pavement especially for prams and wheelchairs. Cars used to go way too fast down there

I think this quiet way has had a positive impact to pedestrians and all those who use this to get in and out of town. It also makes the area outside Holy Trinity school a much safer environment.

I have made regular use of the quiet way in Trinity Road during the trial, both as a pedestrian and a cyclist for local journeys between home and the High Street. This has been particularly handy for getting to choir practices and services at All Saints church and the Methodist Church, several times a week. The absence of cars in Trinity Road removes a hazardous part of these journeys. This is especially beneficial when it is dark.

The closure (though temporary as a trial) has proven to be a huge asset in extending a pre-existing "route to school" that was implemented during a time I would have been a student and used the path on a regular basis. Unfortunately at the time the route ended abruptly with a dangerous exit onto Trinity Road, where not only was there no pavement on the side of the road as the exit of the path through Rookery Garden. Pedestrians would be expected to cross this road without any support and 2 walls blocked your sight on either side, leading to at least myself not using the path. I have since discovered that there was a plan to make this exit safer but at some point along the process of putting in the path, the route was not completed as was expected based on the initial design plans. I believe making this road closure permanent would go a long way to amending this error and making a safer route to school. This closure does not actually block traffic passing the exit of the gardens, but the vastly reduced traffic would allow a far safer route to school as was the primary motive for the "route to school" path. To go further I would like to see a proactive approach to changes to Wethered Road, to finalise the route to Holy Trinity School and make students and parents feel the route is safe enough to cycle or walk to school.

Marlow is dominated by cars, this is one tiny area of central Marlow where car is NOT king. We had to move out of central Marlow because of the toxic air pollution. Let this be the start of MTC acting effectively against cars and pollution in Marlow, as opposed to just putting up signs about it.

The removal of motorized traffic from Trinity Road has made my frequent walks into Marlow considerably more pleasant and means that, using local footpaths, most of the walk is free of traffic fumes. This is particularly important to me and gives me confidence to continue walking for as long as possible. I am 75 years old.

This has transformed how I go into town - and I now walk more often than I drive. Please keep it in place.

My family and I walk into town much more frequently now because Trinity Road is a quiet way. It provides a safe and calm route to the High Street that doesn't involve going down the busy noisy polluted Wycombe Rd. Please keep Trinity Road for walkers and cyclists.

Trinity Road now provides a safe route to Marlow Town centre for pedestrians, cyclists, mothers with pushchairs etc. Road vehicles have a perfectly acceptable alternative route. Making Trinity Road non-vehicular was a brilliant idea and its continuation has my enthusiastic support.

Trial has been a great success.

Less traffic

Easier to walk abs cycle

Safer for the school

Less pollution and noise

The road being closed to motor vehicles makes a huge difference to the accessibility and safety of the area.

The Quiet Way experiment is great for pedestrians walking with small children, prams, strollers, cyclists and dog walkers. Pedestrians can feel safe in the knowledge that they are safe from No oncoming motor vehicles. When vehicles did have access the pedestrian could only rely on just a single, narrow, uneven pavement in order to avoid any oncoming vehicles approaching from the front or rear of the pedestrian.

I am in favour in keeping The Quiet Way motor vehicle free.

Much safer for pedestrians to walk into the town from Wycombe Road

Quieter and less polluted for pedestrians

I love the quiet road, and particularly as it is opposite the primary school, encouraging parents to walk children that way. I always choose that pathway to walk to the town, or to Rookery Gardens. I would like this quiet road to remain.

The closure of Trinity Road to traffic has been of great benefit to me. It means that I can walk directly through from west Marlow through the town (via the shops) to visit my family in Oak Tree Avenue without being forced to use a tiny pavement on Trinity Road (something that would now be impossible for me because I currently have two walking sticks). It is amazing at night to stand on Trinity Road and look up at the stars.

Too much of a 'rat run' previously. Far too many people driving in marlow for short distances. If it takes under 20 mins to walk, walk! ESP with kids.

Have lived in marlow for 55 years - this road used to be pedestrian only.

It makes walking into Marlow really. Ice, must be great for the residents of that road too.

It will certainly have encouraged parents to Holy Trinity School to park and walk

I think it is a brilliant closure

I love the quiet way as a safe and pleasant walk to my job.
Also appreciate the safe environment for children walking to school.

Trinity road is currently a very pleasant walking and cycling link between the local school and neighbourhood homes to Marlow town centre. The lack of cars makes this walk appealing and enjoyable. We enjoy walking and cycling along Trinity Road, especially during school-run times when this road would be full of inconsiderate drivers and stationary cars polluting the air. Also, as car owners, we do not mind using Wethered Road whatsoever to access our home on Spring Gardens. This is no inconvenience.

It gives me joy to see people able to get from this part of Marlow into the High Street while talking to each other. The quietway seems popular with less able-bodied residents like the older people who live in the Trinity Close flats, and with adults with young children from the Oak Tree Road area who have come down the connecting footpath. I do have a car, but make local trips on my bike using the quietway, as I see many other do now too. I would be a great pity if we all lost this big improvement to the quality of life around here just to save drivers a few seconds.

This makes the journey to Holy Trinity school safer

My husband and I have lived in Oak Tree Avenue since 1997 and regularly walk into town along Trinity Road. We have often encountered cars driving at excessive speeds, without due consideration for the narrowness of both the road surface and the pavement. It's been quite transformational to be able to use the road freely and safely, and as long as emergency access can be maintained, we fully support the permanent closure to motor vehicle traffic.

I've lived in Oak Tree Avenue for nearly 25 years and frequently walk into town via Trinity Road. Before the traffic restrictions were put in, cars would often be driving much too fast there and with the very narrow pavement I've always thought that this street ought to be pedestrianised. I believe the inconvenience to drivers is minimal and is outweighed by the benefits to all pedestrians but parents with prams and users of mobility scooters in particular. Keeping Trinity Road closed to traffic permanently seems like a complete no-brainer.

I think that the road closure has been a success. I have witnessed first hand the large number of people that now use the road to walk and cycle.

It is a perfect route through to Trinity School from Dean Street car park for school drop off and collection, which may reduce some of the am and pm traffic and parking on Wethered Road. Throughout the day I can see people with push chairs and children using Trinity Road without fear of speeding vehicles or having to use the narrow pavement. It is a popular route now used to walk into and out from Marlow. As Trinity Road is no longer being used as a rat run and vehicles are encouraged to use the main road links I would think it has also had positive impact on reducing traffic on Wethered Road. With only the minimal, slow speed traffic of local residents and small businesses that use the Dean Street end of Trinity Road the access to Rookery Park also feels much safer.

I haven't noticed any traffic issues, with no more than the usual traffic around the Dean Street / Spital Street roundabout junction. The quietway has removed traffic noise and pollution for the homes along the side of Rookery Court and on Trinity Road and also improved the greenspaces of the Church ground and graveyard and Rookery Park.

It may be that wildlife has benefited too as I recently encountered two hedgehogs on Trinity Road.

I frequently use the road to walk or cycle.

I support this initiative. Before it was a fast rat run that people used as a shortcut. Much nicer now as it feels like a quiet part of town

I have repeatedly seen mobility scooters, pedestrians, parents with small children and cyclists using this quietway. It would not be safe to restore vehicular traffic to this small stretch of road. The pavement is not wide enough for a parent to hold their child's hand or for a mobility scooter. There is a large sheltered housing scheme at one end of the quietway and many residents use this to get in to town. I imagine most of these residents do not have computer skills so would not be able to give you feedback. Please retain it for safety's sake.

I support this to avoid road being used as a cut through and creating a safer route for pedestrians and cyclists close to the park and town centre.

Excellent plan. It's a good encouragement for pedestrian and cycle access and it's too narrow and unnecessary to allow motor vehicles.

This should be extended to other sites and suitable situations too. The future of local travel around Marlow must be non motor vehicle based.

Great idea love it

Please encourage such road closures - even better, reduce the speed limit within Marlow to 20 mph.

Having a child at Holy Trinity school at the end of this road I believe it is safer at drop off and pick up time.

I have fully supported these restrictions since they were initially introduced and hope they can be continued long term. The pedestrianisation of this road has made it a much safer environment. Right next to rookery park, on several occasions I have previously witnessed dogs and children run out onto the road with potential cars hitting them (prior to restrictions). With the pedestrianisation this risk is mitigated. I also have 2 small children and push a buggy. The pavement on this road isn't wide enough to push a pushchair and so you have to use the road and could be very unsafe. With the new restrictions, this is much safer walking down the road.

The benefit of having this road pedestrianised outweighs any potential benefit of being able to use the road. It doesn't increase traffic in the surrounding area as the traffic would be on those roads anyway.

As I said, I fully support these changes.

We use this road as a route to walk to school. We no longer live in Marlow but still have children who go to Holy Trinity school. We therefore park in the car park at the bottom and walk up. It is much safer now without traffic as the pavement here is very narrow.

Our daughter goes to Holy Trinity school the road closure makes the walkway so much safer for young children.

Before the road was too narrow with only 1 very narrow footpath making it unsafe as cars used it as a cut through

It's great for people to be able to walk or cycle car-free through Trinity Road. We usually go through this road on our way to town and I feel safer for my daughter when there are no cars there. Kids are playing in Rookery park and sometime they run out of it without thinking whether there are cars. It gives me a piece of mind when I know that Trinity road is car-free.

It makes the environment and route into town much more pleasant and safe, especially with young kids. I only wish you would try similar schemes in other roads. Seymour Park Rd is lethal on the school run

I believe it is vitally important as school children access this road before and after school

We love the quiet way as a safe way to get into town and for our daughters to be able to cycle and run and walk

This is a first step to make the area around Holy Trinity School more safe.

We never used to walk this way into town due to the narrow pavement but now we walk this way every time with the children. It makes such a big difference to have a quiet, safe road to walk along.

I support the proposal to keep the quiet way. I used to see cars speeding along that road to get through as quick as they could and now I see lots of people enjoying it. I pick up children from Holy Trinity school and lots of parents and children walk along there each day. However around school pick up time it does get quite congested along Weathered Road and I have witnessed a few near misses with the children crossing the road and cars reversing because they can't get passed each other.

I use this route 4 times a day on the school run. It is so much safer now we don't have to squeeze on to the narrow pavement every time a car wants to pass. If someone tried to pass in the other direction on foot, someone had to go in the road - it was treacherous. Now we have so much space. We walk, jog, cycle or scoot, and have never had any problems despite it being very busy with pedestrians now. I do think the entrance to Rookery park could be improved though -perhaps gated or the walls lowered, or something, as dogs and children could easily stray out of the park straight in to the road (there is no pavement on that side). And you have to stick your head out in to the road in order to look both ways, before exiting.

Lovely of ot could be a safe, quiet road to walk down on the way back from schools.

It has made a big difference walking to the high street with two small children. I feel much safer with it pedestrianised as the narrow pavement was very difficult to navigate with a buggy and child alongside.

I fully support the proposals. Since in place it has made a huge difference to traffic affecting the school on wethered Road, making it a lot safer for children .

Very supportive. The current restriction has created a lovely quiet space in the middle of Marlow and removed a high speed rat run.

Unless it is awkward for school drop off/pick up it does seem better to have a traffic free area adjoining the park and in the town centre. Especially in a two street that is no longer fit for purpose

It is safer since the road closure to motor vehicles to walk children to school. It is safer outside the school gates now.

I have not noticed any extra traffic along Wethered Rd so presume it is all a success, Thankyou Bucks CC.

Safer for children, pedestrians and cyclists. And adds a safe calm route along a historic street.

I use Marlow a lot, and find it far too congested with cars and people not being prepared to walk a distance from a proper CarPark. Car drivers seem to insist on parking right next to their destination. Anything that can be done to make walking around the town easier and safer is exactly what it needs. And especially when it helps children walk to school safely.

Anything that encourages walking / cycling / scooting to school while providing at least one safer place to do it it sounds like a good idea to me.

As a regular visitor to Marlow I have found that this has made Trinity Road a much more pleasant, tranquil area.

It is much safer now that “ boy racers” and people using it as a ‘ rat run’ are no longer present.

The road is narrow with access directly from the non pavement side.
The road is clearly too narrow for bidirectional flow

The reopening of this route provides no benefit to drivers beyond saving 100m

Living nearby I regularly walk through this area and am a resident of the town for over 30 years. In my view this is a very good proposal prioritising people especially children over cars.

It used to be a rat run and now it is a much more pleasant.

To make a safe exit from Rookery park

I think the permanent pedestrianisation of this road is a great idea!

Much better pedestrian only. The road is narrow and being used as a cut through making it dangerous for cyclists and pedestrians.

My property backs onto Trinity Road, and I wholeheartedly support this change. It is wonderful to see the road being used to the fullest - it is full of parents and children at school times, and other times I have seen many mobility scooter users, mothers with pushchairs and more using it in a way that would have been impossible before.

It is a really positive action from the Council, enhancing life for locals, protecting the environment and at the cost of a tiny diversion for motorists. As an aside, before it was a nightmare with some drivers not wanting to meet another car coming the other way and having to reverse - so they would put their foot down to speed through - adding to the danger.

I have seen some weird negative views on social media, stirred up by people who seem to live so far from here i doubt they ever walk or drive up it! There have been some erroneous comments on social media re the cost (confusing the cost of THIS while the total cost of similar things across the county) so maybe that is part of it!

I live here, and used to drive along it daily, but am happy to go another way because of the massive benefits it brings.

Works well during school drop off and pick up

Love the traffic-free Road! Safer leaving the park! More traffic less roads in Marlow please?

Much safer for children walking to holy trinity or playing in the rookery park. Creates a lot less congestion and easier access to our homes on trinity road during busy times.

Overall this is a positive scheme for this part of Marlow.

Most of the objections are as a result of concern for extra traffic on nearby streets of a similar design category.

So many more parents are using this space to walk their children to school, it's wonderful.

The "boy racers" don't blast along at night anymore and the area feels calmer and more human friendly.

Wethered Road was and remains a challenge. The rat running through this stretch and across town to avoid the A4155 needs addressing, and this scheme has been incorrectly targeted as a cause of that.

Someone inspiring needs to communicate that these related issues are going to be solved and are a part of a grander, attainable vision

I am in favour of any measure that restricts vehicle movements in the immediate area of schools.

It's was used as a short cut and was dangerous as cars drove through much to fast

I must admit it's been nice to walk up and down Trinity road without cars coming up and downI used to Drive up and down this road a lot myself when it was openI Used it as a short cut to go to my Mums Who lives in Trinity Ave.....I think its working well

As a motorist I find the closure an irritation but as a pedestrian it is brilliant and so beneficial to those that can not use the footpath (wheel chair users, children's buggies etc.
I totally support the permanent closure of the road.

I think it has had a positive impact on the area

As a pedestrian, I felt very much safer after the road was closed to motor vehicles. I walk with my husband who is partially sighted and has dementia and it was very difficult to guide him on the very narrow pavement so we used to have to walk on the road anyway and get out of the way when I heard a car.

I really enjoy using this as a way to walk into town with my baby in pram. It's nice to be able to not be constantly dodging cars or squeezing on the pavement

Use it all the time, please keep it!

It has been fantastic!

Pushing a pram was perilous before and now it's brilliant.

Please don't take the quietway away.

It's so much more safe now to walk to town with the quiet way especially with a buggy as the pavement is so narrow. Previously when it was open I never found cause to drive down this road - it's much easier to go round on the main roads.

It has been great having Trinity Road closed to traffic, making walking into town much safer than before. The road is really too narrow and was previously used as a cut through but is now much nicer. Please keep it for pedestrians, bikes, mobility scooters etc and keep cars out.

Makes for a more pleasant walking route to Marlow High Street.

Great project to remove vehicles and allow safer use of the area for pedestrians

Its really useful and is great for people in wheelchairs

Walking in to town from Wycombe road it provides an alternative route that is spacious and pleasant. Also the other route means going narrow pavement which in Covid time is not great. Also easier when we have a visitor to stay who is in wheelchair as easier to push down this route

We love walking on this Road from Holy Trinity School into town and enjoy the car free zone.

We find this so much safer especially with school times. I used to struggle to walk down there safely with my pushchair as the pavement is so thin but now we can safely walk straight down to town - it's now our route of choice with children

Can you also introduce speed controls for roads passing school access points during morning and afternoon peak times. Restricting speeds from 30 - 20 mph will provide a safer environment for ensuring better pedestrian safety (note the changes to give pedestrian and cyclists priority over cars

as from the start of this year). Reduce speeds will also help to reduce the excessive pollution levels in Marlow.

We always thought that that the road was more useful as a safe passage for walking to the town from the Holy Trinity school area than a road, and anyway it's too narrow for a road with today's traffic levels and have often seen cars nose to nose halfway along with neither side happy to reverse! Surely we should be looking at pedestrian routes as a priority over traffic routes as this is the way things should be going!

The pavement is too narrow for prams/pushchairs or wheelchairs. There is absolutely no reason for cars to use Trinity Road except for additional laziness. the only people who use that road are nearby residents, who would clearly be the main beneficiaries of safer, less hazardous walk to town anyway. Also, due to the extremely close proximity to Holy Trinity School, any traffic reduction should be welcomed.

Living in Trinity Road, the road closure has been excellent, less traffic, people walking again, talking with each other, rather than squeezing on the tiny footpath. Please don't remove it.

The only problem is the Road Closed sign standing next to the Kebab van.
It stops anyone even coming up to the layby further along the road. We had so much trouble that courier drivers and taxis could not find us anymore... please kindly remove the sign.

Trinity Road is a narrow road with a narrow pavement making it difficult for pedestrians to walk safely. Now closed to traffic it is a safe and pleasant route to the town centre.

I believe that the council should be strongly supporting measures to increase active transport.

I would welcome further investigations into more pedestrian routes and less traffic through Marlow.

I cycle from High Wycombe to Marlow when I shop there (approximately every couple of weeks). Over the years, I have cycled along Trinity Road many times. In the days when vehicles were allowed, I always felt it was dangerous as the road is so narrow. It is much more pleasant now.
Marlow is an attractive town. Removing vehicles from Trinity Road fits in with the ambience in the town.

As a wheelchair user I fully support the proposal as it makes getting access into Town so much easier & safer. Because the pavement is so high & narrow I was never able to travel on the pavement so I had to travel in the road and hope traffic wouldn't hit me!
This quiet road scheme is so much safer.

It's fantastic to be able to walk and cycle more safely in this area. Great improvement!

I support the closure of Trinity Road as a pedestrian it makes it much safer for families to walk into town. The pavements are too narrow for buggies or people walking side by side and cars speed down there as a short cut.

But, the traffic situation along Wethered road needs to be reviewed - cars parked on the road cause an obstruction and cars often mount the pavements to get past. The blind corner by the cemetery is often a scene of near misses as people drift into the middle of the road, and with the school traffic at peak times it is a challenge.

While initially not keen on this idea, I now give it my full support. It is so nice to be able to walk down the road without always having to look over one's shoulder for traffic etc, as the pavement is so narrow.

Trinity Road is my regular walking route into town and I enjoy the traffic free zone very much.

Since the inception of the trial period I have noticed increasing use of Trinity Road by pedestrians, cyclists, users of mobility scooters, pedestrians with push chairs. Users are walking or cycling with increased confidence. Users can continue North East along existing footpaths to access Oak Tree Road, Southview Road etc. Making this part of an active travel artery.

I do accept that the closure has increased congestion in Wethered Road, particularly around school opening and closing times. This could be remedied by reducing car parking at those times.

I believe it's necessary to keep the current restrictions on the road to avoid dangerous traffic moving up and down the road. Many children and parents walk or cycle with children on the road to get to Holy Trinity school and the footpath is too small. When it was in a we cars and vans would drive very fast on the road, using it as a cut-through. The next step you need to consider is how to stop cars using the top of the road, nearest to Holy Trinity as a parking or turning point as this is also dangerous for children and parents. Many thanks for your consideration.

It's so much safer for my children going to HT school and walking up from the town car park

I support making the closure to traffic on Trinity Road permanent. I have used Trinity Road on several occasions as I am a frequent visitor to Marlow. It provides a traffic-free route into the town centre from the north east of the town (Oak Tree Road area). I've observed many people using the route -walkers, people on bikes, children on scooters so believe it is a valuable amenity and route now it is traffic free.

Less congestion near school so children are safer

I walk up this road each morning and afternoon with my son when dropping/collecting my daughter at Holy Trinity School. Before the quiet way was introduced it felt very dangerous with children due to the narrow pavement and speed of traffic. Now it is much easier to avoid driving along Wethered

Road and adding to the congestion at the school gates because we are more comfortable walking up from Dean Street.

I cycle to school and it's lovely cycling up this road without any vehicles coming towards you

I walk, cycle and drive around Marlow. The restriction in Trinity Road is an absolute blessing, an oasis, that benefits pedestrians and cyclists hugely, yet has virtually no impact on vehicles. It makes sense to keep it restricted from motor vehicles.

Makes a huge difference to the safety of children and caregivers during school run.

Marlow has become so congested with traffic. This is a safe road for children/pedestrians - especially with the school so near.

It has been brilliant during the trial and so well used.

My grandchildren attend Holy Trinity & Great Marlow schools. The closure has made it so much safer for those walking to school & waiting for parents to pick them up. There is no good reason to open the road back up. Looks really pretty too!
Thank you

As a retired driving instructor, I have always thought this is an unfriendly road for pedestrians, as the pavements are very narrow, with a small lay-by halfway along. I am not sure whether it is still too narrow for traffic! (When it was used by traffic).
It is much safer for pedestrians now, and a short cut for them to get to the town centre for their shopping.

I was born and bred in Marlow, and have seen Trinity Road get busier and busier over the years. The advent of satnav I think is partly to blame, people using it as a cut through. It has been a pleasure to be able to walk down here safely with my children as I did when I was their age.

The closure of this road to cars has stopped the problem of too many cars parking near Trinity School and made it safer for cyclists and pedestrians. It should remain as it is now.

It's too narrow for traffic and pedestrians..it's a nice peaceful walk way now..

I have been able to walk to the nursery school with my quad buggy without continually looking over my shoulder at cars speeding past me too closely. The path is very narrow for the lines of

double/triple and quad children buggies and also for mobility vehicles wheelchairs and scooters-or was like diving with death before.

Keep it closed as a walkway only and being much safer for school children.

As an elderly resident I have enjoyed walking along this road during the trial period. I previously found it challenging frequently having to step on and off the high kerbs to avoid either other pedestrians or traffic. I hope this road remains pedestrianised.

It has made walking into town much more pleasant.
In the past the narrow path required you to step into the road if you passed a pedestrian which was often a hazard with traffic using the road.

Since it's closure it has been well used by pedestrians. When open to traffic it was a real problem when two cars met in the middle as it is a single lane and cars used to drive at speed along the road.

I walk down this road 3-4 times a week to get from my home to the town centre. I am always pushing a pushchair with my baby in it and often also have my 3 year old and 6 year olds on bikes or scooters. It's so much safer and more pleasant to get into town. I couldn't fit the pushchair on the pavement before so would have to walk down the centre of the street.

There are a lot of elderly people who live in Trinity Court who use mobility aids of various sorts to access the town centre who also used to be forced into the road and now can retain their independence and safely walk into town.

Finally, given the nightmare parking situation at Holy Trinity school, if the Council were able to offer parents free parking for 30 minutes plus leave the road pedestrianised for the 100s of children it would make an enormous difference.

The quiet way is good because it makes it safer for children to cycle to central Marlow.

We rarely drive in Marlow & walk or cycle as much as possible. This route is a nice quiet way to get to town.

People objecting usually drive everywhere, even short distances. If we could get them to walk our cycle more we'd all be healthier with cleaner air & a fitter population.

I used to walk down this road with a pram before the scheme - but as it was used as a rat run (driving at speed) I often had to quickly manoeuvre myself and the pram onto the narrow pavement to avoid oncoming vehicles. Since the scheme was introduced it's been a pleasure to walk and cycle down this road and in my mind it's a vast improvement. Safer and also creating a better quality environment for pedestrians and local residents.

A lot of families walk down that road: prams, scooters, bikes - as main access to town. The pavement is VERY thin, and some cars come down there quickly. Before the temporary restrictions, I have seen children almost fall or step into the road. It feels like just a matter of time before a serious injury to a child (or adult). The restrictions have been fantastic - much safer.

Much safer

Less traffic

Good for health

Promotes walking

Better surface for mobility impaired because the pavement is rubbish along here

I fully support pedestrianisation

Increases child safety near a primary school

I support the closure of Trinity Road, Marlow to motor vehicles. I walk along Trinity Road most days and I would say that I have seen an increase in pedestrian use since the road was closed to motor vehicles. I hope that the closure to motor vehicles will be made permanent for the following reasons:-

The road provides a useful traffic-free pedestrian corridor between Holy Trinity School and Marlow town;

In conjunction with the footpaths to Oak Tree Avenue, Oak Tree Road and Sandygate Close there is a traffic-free route from many of the residential areas to the North of the town into Marlow;

The exit from Rookery Park onto Trinity Road is obscured by the high wall and coupled with the width of the road it is a hazardous for pedestrians to exit when there is through traffic travelling along Trinity Road. Although traffic is still permitted to go to the businesses at the Old Court House and the houses next door it is moving at much slower speeds than any through traffic would be moving;

Through traffic exiting Trinity Road at the Holy Trinity school end means crossing Wethered Road is more hazardous especially during school pick-up and drop-off;

Trinity Road is too narrow for two motor vehicles to pass and hence is unsuitable as a two-way road; The closure of Trinity Road has not impacted traffic flows in the surrounding roads.

This has made walking into marlow a pleasure, the small path is difficult for a single person if you meet someone walking in the opposite direction forcing one person into the road. Please don't allow traffic down this road again, many drivers are so discourteous to pedestrians.

A quiet back way which I use regularly to get away from polluting traffic.

This restriction is the best road restriction ever, providing safety to so many schools children and parent as well as elderly people especially those using mobility scooter. The pavement width too narrow for mobility scooter and the road is not wide enough for cars to take over mobility scooter. I think this is brilliant and we should keep it in this way. I know some people aren't happy with this restriction but it's just for their convenience but I thing safety is far more important and comes first.

Marlow urgently needs more cycle and walkways that are safe from vehicles. Residents should be encouraged to walk more and rely on cars less.

Much safer to walk down. Cars used to race down Trinity Road before the restriction.

My elderly father lives at Trinity Court and we walk this route to the High Street. It is a much safer walk now with the restrictions in place. The pavement is much too narrow really - he has Parkinson's and Alzheimer's so preferred to walk on the road along here and now it's safe for him to do so. Lots of elderly people live around here and I'm sure they must feel the same.

I also think it has restricted the parking in the area directly outside the school, especially at drop off/pick up times enabling children to cross the road there much more safely.

Trinity Road is far more safe to use as a pedestrian without cars permitted to drive along this very narrow road. This route is very popular with children due to the Holy Trinity school and when cars were permitted to use this road, the footpath is too narrow even for a mother and pushchair to use! If someone is walking towards you on the pavement, one pedestrian has to move out onto the road to allow another person to pass. When vehicles have access and the pedestrians are forced out onto the road due to the narrow pavement, it is an accident waiting to happen.

Reduce the traffic rat run, reduce pollution.

Beautiful pedestrian way- safer for children and particularly for my husband who uses a wheelchair

I support. It makes it safer for when the kids at holy trinity go on and out of school

Safer for school at the top
Much more pleasant way to walk to family living in Oaktree Avenue

Safety of pedestrians, especially children.

It's amazing and excellent way to get into Marlow without feeling like your going to get run over or traffic getting in the way it's also very highly used I see at least 20-30 on my journey there and back to Marlow use it

I'm in favour of keeping it pedestrianised

Hi there,

We regularly walk from Seymour Park Rd to town via Trinity Road. We have valued this traffic free zone because previously the narrow confines constituted a road hazard. So please keep this road traffic free.

Good afternoon

I think closing the Trinity Road with bollards is a good idea. As it's close to Holy Trinity school and a park it is so nice to walk down a safe street for once.
Very little inconvenience to motorists.
I hope it stays!

There is very little walking access for pedestrians on this road if it is used for cars. I am a driver myself and have seen how dangerous it is for pedestrians to share this road with drivers. Drivers in Marlow have Pretty good access to roads around the Marlow area.

Trinity road is used by school children attending Sandygate school and other schools close by as well as nurseries. Many elderly use this road and cut Through to Sandygate close and Gweneth Court as well as other cut through roads to SeymourCourt Road.
I do not see the reason for drivers to use this road, quite often it is a cut through from Dean Street to beat the morning rush hour traffic and is used as a rat run also making it a danger for pedestrians using the pedestrian crossing on Dean street Coming out of Trinity Road.

I hope you will give consideration to the pedestrians who use Trinity Road.

To whom it may concern

As a Marlow resident, I think this road closure has a positive impact on the environment (less pollution) and public health (better air quality)
I hope this closure will be made permanent and that other roads in Marlow will be considered for similar schemes.
Our little town is plagued by traffic and people should be encouraged to park outside the town centre and enjoy what it has to offer on foot!

I cycle this route often, which is now safe and secure for both cyclists and pedestrians.

Previously, it was perilous having vehicular traffic on this narrow road with its narrow pavements.

A great improvement to all Marlovians, not necessarily living close to Trinity Road.

I fully support the permanent restrictions on trinity Road marlow. The road is quite narrow and was always a bit dangerous walking when motor traffic was allowed. I use the route all the time now as a quiet pleasant alternative to walking up noisy Dean Street.

Not Sure Comments

If the current trial is to be made permanent, and recognising that the traffic that previously used Trinity Road now mainly uses Wethered Road, additional (possibly peak hour) parking restrictions (ie double yellow lines) should be introduced on both sides of Wethered Road from opposite Holy Trinity School along to the junction with Dean Street. Currently there are no restrictions and the consequence of the parked cars is that what should be a two lane street operates much if the day as a single lane street with insufficient passing places to cope with traffic flow in/out of Wethered Road. Frequently the road is grid locked with engines running outside the school waiting for a gap in the traffic flow.

My initial concerns have been realised. The congestion caused by cars backing up in Wethered Road to exit to Dean St crossroad has been horrendous causing excessive pollution outside the school and really dangerous traffic for the pupils of Holy Trinity school.

If this proposal is to be made permanent there MUST be no parking outside the funeral directors and at the junction mentioned above to allow free flow.

My initial concern was also at the exorbitant cost of this proposal; I do not support further expensive infrastructure alterations. The present planters and barriers will suffice.

Finally, I am not fully convinced of the benefits. Our house backs on to Trinity Road and our experience over ten years has been that the light traffic using the road was always considerate to pedestrians and cyclists. The only benefit has been the safer exit from Rookery Park onto Trinity Road for children and dog walkers.

It a good idea but something need to be done about cars park along wetherhead road and the junction as it's hard to pullout stop the parking on that road and it will also be safer

Comments Against the Proposals

Since the introduction of the quiet space along Trinity Avenue, traffic on our estate has become a lot worse! I've witnessed serious near misses & more idling cars because of the congestion. It would have made far more sense to make Trinity Avenue a one way road from North to South to allow for traffic to by pass the school instead of idling outside when congested.

I cannot see the logic in this proposal in the slightest! It is seriously flawed.....You have created a far worse scenario than anything before this intervention.

Shutting off Trinity Road has moved traffic to Wethered Road causing a lot of congestion. Before you shut off Trinity Road permanently, you need to find a solution to the increased traffic on Wethered Road. Double yellow lines will help at the Dean Street end of the road but residents will still need some parking.

This has made traffic build up on Wethered Road significantly worse, particularly at school drops off/collections. If parking was not allowed on Wethered Road, things might be different, but Ipat this stage I can see no positives in implementing such a short pedestrian route, for the sacrifice of trouble free traffic, you have probably made your minds up any way.

Causes a lot of congestion's at busy times of the day, particularly in the mornings. Limited passing places make it very difficult to keep the traffic flowing. The spring gardens, wethered road area is used extensively as a cut through to avoid Marlow town centre traffic, the quiet way in trinity road effectively creates a bottleneck for traffic as there is nowhere else to go.

If the junction with Seymour Park road was cleared of parked cars then traffic would flow. As it is, closing Trinity road is causing increased traffic at an already congested junction. I would like to be able to support the initiative, I do see the benefits of closing the road to vehicles. But the benefits gained are outweighed by problems caused.

This road closure scheme makes little sense. Throughout I've been submitting feedback that you need to consider the closure of Trinity Road as part of a bigger picture with Weathered Road.

A stated aim of the walking route was to reduce congestion, however by sending even more traffic down Wethered road, an unintended consequence is an INCREASE in congestion along Weathered Road, including a stretch across the front if a primary school, and Dean Street where traffic is prevented turning off the road blocking road users behind.

There is a solution, you need to prevent parking along Wethered road AS PART OF THIS TRIAL. There is a growing discontent among the neighbors that this may create a untenable situation going forward. As a result, you will see objections to this proposal because of the mishandling of this trial.

The scheme is flawed however. It does nothing to promote walking over driving. The people who would use this walking route would never drive into town anyway, and even if they did wouldn't be affected by the closure. The increased congestion this causing is causing a corresponding increase in vehicle pollution, and is detrimental to road safety.

End the trial now, put the road back into service.

Since Trinity Road had been closed the congestion on Wethered Rd has been so much worse, particularly around school drop off & pick up. Not being able to utilize Trinity Road as another through way has made Wethered Rd a nightmare. There are times people have gone up on the narrow sidewalk to get around other vehicles that park almost the full length of the road between the bottom of Trinity Ave right to the intersection at Dean st. If it were not for the couple of driveways there would be no where to pull in to avoid on coming cars. Our road (Trinity Ave) has also become far busier. People race up our road to quickly turn around & race back down. All to avoid the quantlet of Wethered Rd to Dean St.

Unless the stretch of wethered road was marked with double yellow from the top Of Trinity Rd to The Dean St intersection I would not support this being made into a permanent footpath

Egress from the area into the town is already limited via Wethered Road or Wycombe road, especially at busy times.

The trial has been particularly inconvenient for me, and it is therefore extremely frustrating that I have rarely even witnessed any pedestrians using the route.

I cannot support this based on the above.

The RHA represents 7,200 Road Freight members operating more than half of the UK HGV fleet, including vans and coaches. Our members deliver food and 98 % of all essential goods, including medicine, enabling businesses to operate.

If our members are unable to deliver and collect goods from residential and business addresses then construction materials and internet deliveries will not take place, unless there is an exemption allowing Road Freight vehicles to deliver and collect goods.

On that basis an exemption allowing vehicles access must be included.

Parking restrictions need to be implemented along Wethered Road In order for the knock on impact of this scheme to not affect other road users. I don't mind the pedestrianisation of Trinity Road, but you have not considered the whole picture

I live almost next to this road closure. Since shutting the road an unbelievably amount of traffic has been directed along wethered road past the school and at peak traffic times. This is dangerous and chaotic. As well as this, the park running alongside the closed road is no less safe/secure because motorists can go half way up which isn't helpful. I believe the road closure is only benefitting parents who want to stand in the road and chat during school drop off/pick up. Again, this is more dangerous as they spill out onto the main road. Overall it has not stopped people using their cars. It encourages pedestrians to congregate next to or on the surrounding roads and ruined the flow of traffic during peak times. I strongly disagree with this proposal to keep the road closed and hope it is opened as soon as possible.

By closing this road, in order for cars to turn onto Dean Street, you are forcing all traffic along Wethered Road which runs right outside Holy Trinity School. It is a narrow road and parking is allowed on one side however visibility is not clear past the cars. In the mornings when drivers are

going to work and parents are dropping off at school, the build up of queues at the Dean Street junction causes awful congestion which is detrimental to health and is not safe with children crossing the road.

I don't feel you have assessed the road requirements sufficiently and are jumping straight to the option of closing the road to traffic when there are alternative options;

1. Making Trinity Road one way (North to South) which would allow cars to access Dean Street more easily.
2. Red route/not allowing parking on Wethered Road before 9am to allow for easy flow of traffic to access Dean Street.

This box ticking exercise is causing chaos at the junction of Wethered Road and Dean street. The traffic is backed up as cars can't get in to Wethered Road due to the parked cars outside Beacon funeral service. During the school drop off and pick up times, cars are queueing outside the school with their engines running causing increased emissions which is what, I understand , you are claiming to reduce! Parents are using the bay created as a waiting and parking area! Has anyone actually been down to have a look at the result of this road closure? It was never a busy road anyway and your actions have caused unnecessary problems and achieving nothing.

Whilst I concede that the proposal may benefit some local users, even though it has a foot pavement, a passing bay midway and widens at the top and bottom, I feel the closure of the lane to normal road traffic is unwarranted and presents a hindrance to the movement of vehicles in an already congested town centre.

Furthermore the extra traffic generated in Wethered Road especially at its junction with Dean Street is already creating problems at times more so than ever before.

I would object strongly to the proposed restrictions as they will throw more congestion on to Wethered Road and especially at the Dean Street junction. Trinity Road has in the past experienced no traffic congestion and has been well used by vehicles, bikes and pedestrians with no problems.

In my opinion this whole exercise is and has been a complete waste of the Council's time and resources which are in short supply during these difficult months.

Trinity Road is used by many, when there are traffic jams in Marlow, to access Dean Street carpark, particularly to avoid the roundabout at the Oars Man Pub. It would be better to put speed humps down Trinity Road than close it. Chapel street is already a highly polluted road.

This was a token effort that made no difference to walking or cycling in Marlow. However it made travel by road within Marlow more difficult removing a useful short cut.

I frequently use weathered road on my way to work. It has become chaotic at times since the closure of Trinity road. Therefore there are more stationary vehicles in front of a Primary school and cars trying to get through. I very very rarely see anyone walking or cycling along it.

This is a nonsensical restriction. There is no benefit to pedestrians other than for about 50m of Road which they must share with cyclists. With an unrestricted road, traffic congestion can be cleared from the school and the public car park. Many people need cars to go about their daily business. This road has ever been a problem why try to fix it by closing the road?

Objection: Closing this road has caused more traffic on Wethered Road which is far more dangerous to when the road was open. It has caused a dangerous increase of traffic turning into dean street, near funeral headstone place. The traffic congestion is disgusting and is polluting the airways. This isn't healthy for residents or for the children. Please do not close this road. I recommend putting a speed limit of 10MPH down there as well as speed camera if you are worried about speeding. During busy times, reintroduce a lollipop-person to aid the children and parents around that road. Closing this road thus far hasn't been at all welcomed and I hope you take my comments into consideration.

Closing this road so far has caused delays, more traffic and increase of pollution in our area. Closing this road permanently will cause more traffic = more pollution. It is carnage - especially during school hours... What if an ambulance needed to get through? I tell you, they will have a struggle. Please do not close this road. I suggest putting a speed limit of the road and utilising volunteers to help during school hours.

Objection! It causing too much traffic and isn't safe.

Too dangerous to keep permanently closed. I have seen people swerving each other and mounting the pavement so they can get by! This is ridiculous and not at all safe if you close this road permanently

This closure causes major complications at the T junction at peak times- sort out the parking at this T junction then maybe this proposal will be viable!!

Just pushes traffic to other already congested roads. Also what is the point of your consultations if they are approved but not implemented. We had a consultation for no verge parking in Lock Road and Claremont in FEBRUARY 2019 initiated by Marlow Town Council. This was approved but we are STILL waiting for the signs to be erected. Complete waste of time and effort. Do those who support the Trinity Road proposal realise how long they will have to wait for this to be implemented?

My children attend Holy Trinity school. The 'quiet way' has increased the amount of traffic outside the school at drop off and home time. There is always heavy traffic congestion outside the school. Cars often drive on the pavement directly outside school. Crossing to and from school and Trinity Road is difficult due to the amount of traffic and parked cars. Cars often stop at the end of Trinity Road to drop off children. I think it's only a matter of time before a child gets knocked down. I used to walk down Trinity Road with a double buggy and two dogs. We were always safe. I have seen 3 ambulances trying to get up Trinity Road and having to turn around. The closure of the road has pushed traffic to Wethered Road. It is dangerous.

For people driving from Wycombe Road into Marlow, the junctions of Wycombe Road and Little Marlow Road, and Wethered Road and Dean Street are both extremely dangerous. The Trinity Road/ Dean Street junction is much safer as traffic slows for the pedestrian crossing. The road closure should not proceed until safe junctions are constructed at the two locations mentioned above.

The restriction has created far more problems in the road outside the school. Traffic is now sat idling for much longer as everyone is trying to exit the road at the crossroads to get to both the car park and the town. Idling traffic causes pollution - this is directly outside a primary school. The initiative has created a further air quality issue for our children. This will only increase further when the staggers starts are stopped at the school in the future (Covid precaution) and all the parents cars join the traffic all at the same time of day again! The area is busy - but you can not make any calculations on its present use as we are not living in our usual circumstances. Things will become much worse on that road when normality resumes.

Immediately adjacent to this road is a park, with a flat, pathed, safe, thoroughfare through a lovely grassed, natural area. The road you are closing runs right next to it on the other side of the wall. It's ridiculous to say that we need a safe / scenic route that's traffic free - we have one already!

For me this is box ticking strategy to show something is being done for the extremely busy Marlow Roads - however, it fails to actually do anything more than create a different problem.

Keeping the road as pedestrian only doubles the traffic on all the surrounding roads which is extremely detrimental and dangerous for the school opposite. Whatever time of day I drive past I only see 2 or 3 people walking on the road.

Traffic along Wethered Rd is dangerously busy at anytime of the day but especially mornings and evenings. The lack of passing places caused by parked cars makes this a dangerous bottleneck. Previously Trinity Road helped alleviate this problem. I can see no benefit in pedestrianisation of this road, it is a short road and is not going to encourage any more people to walk or cycle. I use this route regularly and can say that I've seen no evidence of fewer cars using Wethered Rd or Dean Street since it was pedestrianised.

It funnels all the traffic towards the school. As a user of the offices in the Old Court House it's extremely dangerous as people now treat everything beyond the kebab van as pedestrianised and walk in the middle of the road with no awareness for vehicles. I can't imagine where you think people are walking from and to but they could easily take the scenic route through the park if they are uncomfortable walking the pavement down that 20 metres of road.

I think since this has been put in place the traffic outside of Holy Trinity school is much heavier and more dangerous, with impatient drivers pulling up onto and driving along the pavement. One of these vehicles actually clipped my 10 year old daughter, whilst we were walking home from school causing her severe bruising and a lot of pain. I personally think traffic was much calmer when lots of the cars turned off down this road.

This closure of the road has caused issues with traffic in the surrounding roads. Especially school drop off & pick up.

Far too congested at school drop off and pick up times. This road which has been blocked provided an opportunity to drive into Marlow without having to negotiate parked cars and oncoming traffic.

How about thinking about delivery vehicles who are on timed deliveries to businesses or residential customers. I understand the safety aspect and the need for people to be able to walk or cycle somewhere freely not having to worry what's coming behind them, but delivery drivers are important too. They've been working tirelessly through the Covid Pandemic especially getting their deliveries done so they can go home to their families also. The town already has issues with regards to traffic problems as it is, especially when there's roadworks, gas works, water works, etc. Maybe consider a speed camera or humps if there really is a huge problem to a person's safety. When a delivery driver is stuck in traffic and has a delivery which is time critical it's vitally important that they meet the customer's demands as they've paid a lot of money to get it by a certain time. There's 7 residential properties and 3 businesses which makes it awkward and slow for the delivery drivers to get to when they have to travel down for example Dean Street coming from Seymour Court Road, or any of the side roads, especially during peak hours in the morning rush or maybe the school finishing time. Even a barrier with a camera or entry code or restriction to just delivery vans might be an idea. What if an emergency service needed to get down there but the only entrance was via Dean Street, god forbid that there isn't, but then there would be a difficulty getting down there cause they've blocked it thanks to silly flower planters and road blockers. Please reconsider your decision as it could save lives in an emergency!

This has now created more cars coming into the Castleton court thinking it's a through road and more parents parking in Castleton court to collect and drop off their school children! A lot of congestion now

Gesture politics that did nothing to improve the environment as it just pushes more traffic through the already congested Dean St/Wethered Road junction, causing queues right the way along Wethered Road in both rush hours. My guess is there was 'free' central funding for Trinity Road but TfB would have to pay for the necessary improvements to the junction!

Closing this road creates more traffic jams in other roads

Since the road has been closed the traffic has become heavier. Pedestrians with kids now cross over from the road to the school without even looking, which is very dangerous.

This causes dangerous traffic congestion outside the school. You either need to re-open road or major parking near the junction with main road illegal. The congestion at the junction goes back past school which is dangerous

It makes school opening and closing extremely dangerous no room for filtering traffic away

The traffic in Marlow in rush hour can be at a standstill, permanently closing a road that can be used to get to the nearby school causes more traffic, not less.

Marlow is not big enough to limit roads solely to pedestrians.

The road worked perfectly with minimal traffic and was utilised by parents picking their children up from holy trinity. Closing the road has only moved this traffic to adjoining roads causing bigger disruption.

The road also never had enough traffic outside of school hours for it to stop pedestrians from walking on the street.

If you do revoke access to the road from road tax paying drivers then please ensure that you divide the road with cycle and walking guides as during the pilot cyclists have ridden all over the road towards walking pedestrians.

My son goes to Holy Trinity CE Aided School which is directly opposite this currently restricted road. Ever since the restriction came into place, the impact on the safety of the children both during drop off and pick up to school has been evidently concerning.

The amount of through traffic that it has caused has seen queues of vehicles trying to snake their way around the back routes of Marlow, and during these busiest times, the crossing of the young children has become dangerously highly compromised.

I have witnessed angry drivers as they yell and honk their horns due to the frustration of oncoming vehicles not pulling into any available passing place to help ease the flow. The language alone, even at 8.30am is not appropriate whatsoever for children to be witness to, let alone the rage that accompanies it.

I have witnessed cars accelerating from standstill just to try and nip into the next available passing place without much regard to children crossing. It is a disaster, a catastrophe, and quite frankly - it is a death wish.

Should this restriction continue, I can only imagine that it is a question of time before a child or pedestrian is hit by a car. If you allow this restriction to continue then the blood will be on your hands and everything was so much safer before the restriction was put in place.

I have copied this message for my own safe keeping. I hope and pray that I do not have to submit it as evidence of protestation should anything awful happen due to any continuance of this ludicrous and highly dangerous restriction.

The closure of Trinity Road to vehicles is to my mind a ridiculous waste of public money and pointless exercise. The road has very few houses on it and the closure of it to vehicular traffic just diverts the traffic to the other already busy roads around, achieving nothing but more congestion and traffic fumes.

Marlow is already a busy town traffic wise and is too small to allow the expensive luxury of closing roads to vehicles so that a very few marlow residents can enjoy walking in the road ! There are plenty of parks and countryside in and around marlow for them to do that already .

I have objected to this proposal on several occasions. The temporary closure has increased the traffic on Chapel Street. The short distance of 'the quiet walkway' is so short it cannot be considered a quiet walkway, as to get to the quiet walkway from either end there is still traffic from Trinity Road by the school and for the offices and houses and businesses at both ends of the quiet walkway. Also the walkway, than comes straight on to Dean Street car park and the traffic that is there with people waiting for parking spaces and parents parking on the double yellows dropping and picking up their children from school. It is difficult for delivery vans, building vans, etc to get to these properties. Cars/lorries, etc are often parked on the double yellows because they have difficulty getting to where they have to go. I have no problem with them parking on them as the road closure makes their job very difficult. Remember they are providing a much needed service, especially with the pandemic. I have spoken to local businesses and their trade has been affected.

We have received quite stern replies from the transport department, when we have made enquiries or voiced our concerns. I don't mean just our household, neighbours do talk and we have a very good community spirit.

We feel that the decision has already been made and the effort from us who aren't in favour has not been taken into account.

Also some people who would oppose, do not like replying by email or electronically, so this is not a fair representation of how the neighbours in the whole area are being affected.

I myself, have been under going very serious medical treatment for three years and the effort to keep repeating my thoughts and having the energy to keep sending emails, does not help in my recovery.

I have had a response from Joy Morrissey and will be replying to her as she replied in connection with an email I sent to her and she wants to know how she could help further.

I have three medical appointments before the close of this consultation and hopefully I will have the time to respond to her and maybe also to forward the other emails I have all ready sent to the transport department and the other responses I have had from Marlow's Mayor and than the responses I received from a couple of the local councillors from two different emails, I sent or forwarded on to them.

Hopefully someone will read this and take it into account.

This is the first time I have gotten involved in anything like this. I have to say I have been very disappointed in the way it has been dealt with. I feel very let down.

A friend of mine was a councillor for this area and from the correspondence I have shown them, they said that the decision has already been made to make it permanent.

The longer this continues the less sense it makes. I've walked Trinity Road for years and it was so infrequently used by cars it was a rarity to have one go past you outside of the short peak times.

That peak time traffic is now forced to route via Wethered Road, a road completely unsuitable for that volume of traffic - even with the reduced volume during COVID times. We have regularly had traffic back up from the Dean Street junction, past the bottom of Trinity Avenue and around the

bend. So arguably, this scheme fails on one of its primary aims to reduce congestion.

On a final note of safety, without extending the Wethered Road double yellow lines you are creating an unsafe space for pedestrians and motorists alike. Cars are forced onto the wrong side of the road right up to the Dean Street junction, often a surprise for cars turning off the main road. I've also witnessed many cars forced onto the pavement so that they can pass. This cannot continue, and the loss of parking spaces would not be tolerated by residents either as there is simply not enough as it is.

I appreciate what you are trying to achieve here, I simply believe it is not necessary. It doesn't change local behavior between driving and walking. Anyone who lives within a few hundred yards of this road will be walking into town anyway.

Finally the Christmas closures of Wethered Road highlighted the madness of the scheme. With only one way in and out for hundreds of homes, chaos ensued.

When COVID seems a distant memory and traffic volumes are restored, the madness of this scheme will only seem that much worse. I implore you to reverse this scheme and restore Trinity Road. The money could be spent on far more useful schemes like cycling infrastructure, cycle parks and improving footpaths.

The road congestion in Marlow is unsustainable and this is already greatly adding to it. After the pandemic, as traffic levels increase back to previous levels this will be absolute chaos for local residents and schools with an impact on the local economy, and also a risk of potential accidents as commuters become increasingly frustrated. Until there is a nationwide reduction in traffic supported by government legislation and incentives to encourage the use of public transport, any potential benefits are minuscule compared to the disadvantages.

The closure adds to congestion in surrounding roads that are already difficult to navigate at busy times. The road outside the Holy Trinity usually has cars parked on it which adds to the pressure on that bottle neck. To reopen the green road to cars again would relieve pressure.

Look at the comments on Positively Marlow!

Closing Trinity road only creates a bottleneck and limits access to the school as the main road in front of Holy Trinity school is now carnage

Weathered Road is too narrow to take all the traffic, especially with cars parked on one side of it. I live round the corner, so use this road a lot to get into town. The council people, who dreamed up this idea, do not live near this road, so have no idea what goes on. There is a school in this road, making getting round even harder.

The current quiet way implementation causes congestion along Wethered Road during rush hour, and pushes more traffic the longer route out to Green Verges, causing more congestion there too.

The main problem with Trinity Road is that the pavement is far too narrow, in some places down to about half a metre. Passing on the pavement can be difficult, and usually not possible for those with pushchairs. This means stepping onto the road to pass. Trinity Road itself however, is very wide for a single track road, and a much better alternative would be to take some away from the road width, and use that to make the pavement wider. This is obviously a more expensive option, however it retains use for vehicles, and makes the pavement more practical, and safer for pedestrians.

Just creates more traffic and therefore pollution in the town.

I can't see the benefits of closing such a quiet road. I could understand better if there were lots of family houses where they would benefit from the peace and improved safety.

I do not support this. The traffic is ridiculous and living close by is causing my commute to work a misery. Also this area is not being maintained. During the summer months the weeds were out of control. Now there is an issue with leaves, dog excrement, rubbish and broken glass because it has fallen off the cleaning schedule and the road sweeper is unable to get down there.

It is a pointless closure as the road is very short and there has never been a problem walking along it when open to traffic. It causes congestion on surrounding roads particularly when Holy Trinity School opens and closes.

This road closure has affected traffic and pollution areas for the roads surrounding it.

The closure of this road has exacerbated the pre existing issues for this area and the surrounding roads which outweighs the perceived benefit of closing this area and reserving it for pedestrians.

This scheme has not been able to be measured against 'normal' traffic and travel congestion due to the pandemic and work from home policies. This has given a false impression of the benefits for pedestrians and minimized the negative impacts caused by displacement of this traffic route. And if current negative impacts can be considered a minimum, normal return to daily life will increase the problems further.

Traffic at school pick up and drop off was already congested and often dangerous with parents parking on corners, double yellow lines and children leaving school weaving between gaps in between the cars to cross the road. Near misses with children and cars are common outside of the school. This has not been alleviated by the Trinity Road closure and in fact has been made worse. Parents continue to park in the same way except all school and non school traffic is forced past and unable to take the turning before it if approaching from Springfield Gardens. More cars are now navigating this road at peak times due to the loss of Trinity Road a relief road.

Another issue created a few years ago was the double yellow lines painted on the parking spaces opposite Trinity Avenue whilst leaving the spaces in place at the narrow end of Weathered Road nearer the funeral directors. This has pushed more commuter parking into the side streets. This decision made no sense as that part of the road was plenty wide enough for 2 way traffic and parking. At school drop off/pick up this stretch of road is still used for school parking, as well as the side roads that are almost unnavigable with resident driveways blocked.

Cars still park on every inch of the trinity road entrance , as well as trinity avenue and wethered road. More traffic is sent along wethered road towards dean street causing more congestion on top of the peak traffic levels.

More idling cars stuck in traffic, congesting the road dangerously also adds to local pollution levels rising. A member of my household has noted an increase use of their inhaler over the last 5 months. We believe this is due to pollution increase coinciding with the schools return in September.

The cars parked along wethered road nearer the funeral directors creates a dangerous bottle neck where cars approaching dean street crossroads are forced on the opposite side of the road, close to the junction as incoming traffic comes around a corner to be confronted with a blockage on their side of the road.

There has been significant increase in horns being sounded and road rage incidents at this junction. This can be alleviated by Trinity Road being open to cars and allowing relief to the traffic build up on wethered road.

Groups of people leaving pubs in Marlow have become more disruptive than ever using trinity road as a gathering area now with no concern of cars. Previously, although pub goers may be loud as they walked past, they did not stop for long period of time talking.

The decision to make the quietway permanent is bad for

The closure unnecessarily restricts traffic around Marlow in that specific area, especially for locals who want to access the nearby car park, or to simply to avoid other local traffic pinch-points, specifically when there's a gridlock in the area and there are therefore no options to take to keep the traffic flowing. Please reinstate traffic being able to use the road to take pressure off other parts of Marlow, and to give locals options when navigating around an increasingly congested but much loved town. If necessary place sleeping policemen along the road to help calm the traffic!

I am against the constant restrictions on where and when you can go using a vehicle. I have reduced mobility and can't walk very far. So I find it enjoyable driving down little roads like that. It is hardly ever used and the occasional vehicle poses no threat to the pedestrian. The closure of little side roads like that reduces the beauty of our little town.

The restrictions push more traffic to the Wycombe Rd and A4155 junction with frequent delays there.

Also the Wethered Rd, Lane End Rd junction is now busier and slower.

With both these junctions now busier more time is spent engine running in traffic increasing pollution in the area.

This scheme creates more problems than it solves. It is generating a traffic congestion problem at the Wethered Road/Dean Street junction. It is also fundamentally unsafe, whereby pedestrians using it are tricked into walking in the middle of a road when they pop out the other end of it and have to

rejoin the pavement.

The money would be better spent by widening the pavement along this stretch of road and restricting the width so that it becomes unsuitable to heavy goods vehicles. If 2m road width is enough for the bridge, then there is plenty of scope to widen the pavement.

Huge waste of money

Where's the debate and transparency...

Pointless

The problem with the road closure is the increased traffic volumes along Wethered Road and the congestion at the Dean Street junction at peak times.

Closing Trinity Road only creates a bottle neck of traffic on other roads, especially close to the school. How can that be a good thing?

It's stupid cut through for school it's silly as it blocks up all the traffic . Nightmare

SHITTY STUPID DECISION NONSENSE IS ONLY 60 METRES AND IS HELPING IN RUSH HOURS !!! WHO THE HELL WILL USE THIS FOR SUNDAY WALKS.... AHHA OR FOR WALKS AND END ENJOING STUPID PPLS IDEA DONT DO IT

I note the funding package for this scheme also allows for the widening of pavements. This would be a greater use of the funding, rather than a half hearted scheme that only covers half the road for pedestrians - and removes through access for traffic, with resulting fallout in other areas.

Makes traffic worse on adjoining roads, particularly around school

The closure has created a dangerous situation on Wethered Road, especially during peak hours due to the volume of parked cars.

Rather than a closure of Trinity Road, a one way system traveling from Wethered Road to Dean Street would make more sense.

Restrictions to traffic around Marlow Town Centre is causing more traffic on other side roads and 'cut through' roads.

The project would be a good idea if it could be applied to the entire road but as this is not possible it is simply an inconvenience to drivers who have to find other routes. Also, if you are driving into the offices and dentist, pedestrians are in the way as they think the entire road is pedestrianised. I strongly query the point of such a tiny stretch only open to pedestrians balanced with the inconvenience caused to drivers and the additional mileage incurred by having to take longer routes.

The temporary closure of this road was instigated by pressure from a single interest group. The so called majority in favour was actually a very small proportion of those asked to respond. The desire in the local community for this restriction did not exist. The diversion of all traffic on Wethered Road

to the junction of Dean St now results in an increasing difficulty in turning out of an in to Wethered Rd. This is an unforeseen consequence of a poorly thought out process.

I have driven and walked the road for over 40 years. There never was a conflict between pedestrian and traffic on Trinity Road. The proposal is flawed. It will have no impact on the excessive use of cars by parents transporting children to/from Holy Trinity School.

As a business owner based on Trinity road the road restrictions have caused us a great deal of difficulty, these include;

- > Confusion amongst couriers meaning deliveries and collections have been delayed numerous times.
 - > Larger delivery lorries being unable to turn around thus reversing right through the middle of the car park which is extremely dangerous
 - > People continuing to walk in the middle of the road completely oblivious that the path has turned into a roadway.
 - > Suitable pathways in Castleton court or B482 providing ample pavement space.
 - > Added congestion and pollution now being to surrounding roads
 - > For me personally my Car commute is longer thus adding to the pollution
 - > Serves no purpose in providing a very small walkway distance
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It has increased traffic (and frustration in drivers leading to bad drivers) past the pinch point of Holy Trinity school. I have witnessed far more motorists mounting the pavement and children darting from the parked cars to cross the road. Unless you are going to ban all stopping from Trinity Avenue past the stonemasons then leaving this cut though closed will end up with a child being seriously injured or worse.

Very few vehicles travel down Trinity Road at anyone time.

It's not needed. It's just caused queuing on adjacent road

By closing this road pushes additional traffic onto the school road therefore do not support the permanent closure

The closure of Trinity Road has resulted in much heavier congestion at peak times of Wethered Road and Green Verges.

The Statement of Reason says "For avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising".

The proposed closure fails in this regard as it provides no improvement in safety for "any other road". In fact, by reducing the routes available to traffic it INCREASES the risk of harm to users of other roads.

There has been no supporting evidence to show the impact that the temporary closure has caused - no data has been provided to show increased traffic congestion (which, anecdotally, is easy to see

during rush hour morning and afternoon). The consultation has failed to perform an impact analysis in terms of increased risk to road users and pedestrians, increases in local pollution due to traffic jams outside the school. There has been no assessment provided of how much extra time is now required for drivers to take alternate routes (resulting in increased use of fuel, pollution and general frustration).

The congestion that the closure has led to drivers mounting the kerb outside the local school in order to get past all the extra vehicles. It has been the cause of much driver frustration and increased hazards to pedestrians.

It is a well intended, but inconsidered, proposal that fails to provide any supporting evidence of benefits and has increased safety risks, pollution and fuel consumption. There has been a failure to provide demonstrable benefits to the wider community and there has been a clear lack of consultation with ALL stakeholders (which should include all drivers and not just people who live nearby).

Gridlocked as a result at busy times around the school. Causes havoc

Trinity road is unsafe for pedestrians when traffic is allowed down it as the pavement is too small and the traffic comes down to fast and never yields

Traffic is much worse along the surrounding roads. Would be much easier to re open the road but make it one-way or add speed bumps

The traffic which uses this cut through road is being pushed along Wethered Road surely more of a hazard for Holy Trinity..

I don't feel as a resident or parent it has made any difference to limiting the flow of traffic or cars cutting through and would say that it has infact it caused more of a back up of people Queueing in traffic therefore causing more of a visual obstruction trying to cross the road with young children.

I work in Wethered Road and the traffic is a nightmare. It makes no sense to let the traffic not go down Trinity Road, there are hardly any houses down there and it makes a really busy road next to a school even busier! It was much better before and I can't see who it benefits. There is a pavement for walkers so you don't even have to walk on the road!

My daughter lives in Trinity Avenue. The traffic in and around the area near the school am and pm is downright dangerous. Every day multiple vehicles mount the pavements in an attempt to get through the gridlock because there are too many parked cars to allow two-way traffic. Its only a matter of time before someone is seriously hurt.

I am a very local resident residing in Trinity Avenue opposite Trinity Road. Since the road has been closed the amount of traffic along Wethered Road has greatly increased, resulting in a lot of cars mounting the pavement on the Dean Street end which is extremely dangerous especially near a school.

I feel the parking from the back of the church down to Dean Street needs to be looked at as it causes a bottleneck situation and heavy congestion. Maybe double yellow lines need to be implemented? I am a mother of 2 children and when walking both of my children in pushchairs and also my dog down Trinity Road, I have never felt in danger of being 'run down', in fact I find it more dangerous now to cross the road as people speed along this road to avoid the traffic.

The increased traffic through Wethered Road has been enormous and ridiculous. Because of the parking (which is illogical anyway along a narrow rat run road) every day, twice a day at least, there are bottle necks - and this is during a pandemic when many people are working from home and not commuting. The entrance and exit to our road (Trinity Avenue) are now regularly blocked during peak times often by traffic or people abandoning cars to drop school children off because of grid lock. Many a time children have run in front of oncoming cars because the traffic (wedged in and mounting curbs!) inhibits their views and I physically had to pull my 4 year old to safety as a frustrated and hotheaded driver queuing in traffic mounted the curb in a rage.

The closing of the road has been poorly thought through, the true locals to the road should have been consulted which would have predicted the plethora of issues now caused, there was never a danger of walking down Trinity Road in the 30+ years I've been in the area but instead a whimsical idea, likely from a ideological individual has been forced to fruition without an educated thought to the stress an inconvenience it has cause to the many directly linked to the road.

I am fully in favour of environmental improvements, making areas safer for children and traffic calming measures. However these proposals have impacted rights of way and made collection of waste from the residential flats extremely complicated as its not possible for a waste collection truck to turn out of the road. Marlow is very easily congested and by cutting off alternative routes to exit the town the problem is only going to get worse.

The closure has moved the traffic issues to Wethered Road making the area around the primary school even more dangerous. It would be safer to install speed bumps rather than close the road

I'm sorry but I cannot support this scheme. The resulting traffic congestion, and reduction in pedestrian safety on Weathered Road and the area in front of Holy Trinity Primary School is simply not worth it.

The money would be far better spent on widening the existing pathway and closing the road to HGV's. The bridge has shown us that a mere 2.2m is all that is needed, so there is plenty of scope to widen the road.

This creates too much congestion as a direct consequence of the road closure on Weathered road.

It courses traffic to back up at the end of Wethered Road.

I'm writing to object to the continuation of the road barrier in Trinity Road Marlow. The congestion it causes does not seem worth the benefit. All it achieves is forcing traffic onto the surrounding roads. Hopefully the council will see sense and remove it.

Dear Design Services Team,

Having made Trinity Road into a walkway is causing untold issues on Wethered Road. Have you ever watched the cars queuing, trying to get out onto Dean Street and also trying to get into Wethered Road from three directions. Cars coming from Dean Street are very impatient and go up onto the pavement (where mums and dads are walking with their children towards the school) because there are usually up to 14 cars parked in the road and only three pull in places for people heading towards Dean Street to use. This is where the problems lie. As all this takes place very close to Holy Trinity School it is a wonder there has not been a significant accident. I am sure the mums and dads are not impressed with the amount of traffic coming into Wethered Road from Dean Street now.

Surely one way of helping everyone would be to place yellow lines along Wethered Road to stop these 14 cars from parking and make it less congested for all concerned, along with the pollution it is causing. I thought the Council were in favour of improving air quality around Marlow not making it ten times worse.

According to the Marlow Free Press dated 17 December the "quietway" cost £514,000. How many people actually know it has cost this much for bollards and two planters and is causing so much more pollution from the cars at a standstill trying to negotiate Wethered Road/Dean Street just for the Council to encourage more people to cycle and walk. Can you put a notice on the planters letting people know how much this has actually cost, then wait another three months before making a decision and to get people's response to this outlay. Do a survey of people using the road and suggest that if yellow lines were to be put onto Wethered Road would they find it beneficial.

Yours (as a concerned motorist and pedestrian)

The introduction of this scheme has contributed to severe traffic outside the school in Wethered Road morning and afternoon and causing problems for cars of the Green Verges estate trying to access the town centre or the road to Lane End.

There are very few houses on Trinity Road to receive the benefits claimed for the scheme whereas housing on Wethered Road is blighted by increased congestion, poorer air quality, reduced community cohesion and poorer public health.

It seems that this is a box-ticking exercise without any understanding of the realities of traffic at the location. The road was already quiet for the vast majority of the day and safe for cyclists and pedestrians

I personally think the closure is causing a huge traffic build up in a restricted road way outside of Holy Trinity school

At peak times there's queues and overtaking cars which makes pedestrian and cycles at risk as all are jockeying for position

Reopening the road allows parents to park in the car park at the end of the road if no safe parking available outside school

I also believe it's made the roadways near school worse for traffic as cars cannot use the Trinity road way

The benefit to so few residents in that road cannot be greater than school children and pedestrian safety outside of a school surely. I also believe more residents in roadways around affected than would be by opening up the restriction to traffic

Firstly, I would like to understand, where the traffic by Trinity School is supposed to divert to, whilst the road is closed from the 20th of December 2021 to the 24th of December 2021. There are no diversion signs in place and because of the experiment on Trinity Road, that road is closed.

This is going to cause more traffic and chaos and air and noise pollution on Chapel Street.

I'm very disappointed The Bucks Free Press has an article in it on December 17th, 2021, saying the quiet walkway on Trinity Road in Marlow is ready to stay for good. In the article it does not give the option of the website or the email that the public can look at or email. As a local resident to this proposal, we received a letter with this information in it. Also in The Marlow Society's latest magazine, they highlight issues with this decision without more consultation. I and I know other neighbours have put forth our thoughts and we have quite rude correspondence back. Haven spoken to a past councillor, when I received another letter from the transport department back in October that they were supposedly going to continue studying the proposal beyond the deadline of the end of October, this councillor said from the letter I received, that the decision had already been made. We have had increase in traffic on Chapel Street and increased emissions. I don't need a study done, again. I have lived on this street for over 16 years and the difference, in traffic and noise and air pollution is significant. Luckily all the residents of Chapel Street, love where we live and we have a real community. The article in the BFP, states 'Quietway' ready to stay for good. The Marlow Society magazine states, some of the transport matters considered are very local indeed. The impact of the Trinity Road Quietway experiment in central Marlow and how this impacts on the use of the Dean Street car park and at the other end of the road the increase in traffic and lack of parking in Wethered Road – an important route bus also one that passes a busy school. I understand that the local businesses are affected as are the

Royal Mail post people and vans. I have spoken to those concerned and they also informed me that they had not been made aware the experiment being trialled. Now as I mentioned at the top of this email the road leading to Trinity Road by Trinity School is going to be closed for 4 days, where is this traffic supposed to go? Again more traffic and air and noise pollution onto Chapel Street. I have been in touch with the Mayor of Marlow, who did reply and all the councillors and only two replied. I have to say, I'm not impressed the other councillors who didn't even reply, or by the replies I have had from the transport department

I have already sent a few emails and made telephone calls, voicing my concerns. I am concerned about the increase in traffic on Chapel Street and the access for neighbours to their properties and business. Remember this is for a very short stretch of road on Trinity Road, which you have to approach from either end, which is by a busy school and then the other end comes out to a very busy car park. Both ends of the roads have a lot of traffic.

I have seen delivery vans, work vans and cars parked on the double yellows as they can't get to that stretch of road. I totally understand, why they are doing it. I have absolutely no issue with that at all, they have no choice.

I have seen motorcycles going through the barriers, how safe is that on a quiet walkway?

I look forward to hearing on Monday about the road closure and where the traffic is going to go.

Also I look forward to a response, to this email and how the council can make a decision when my letter I received before the last one dated December 2021, said a decision would not be made until May 2022.

I will be forwarding this letter on to the local Marlow Councillors and our main Councillor for South Bucks.

I would have put more effort and pressure into this experiment, but I had Cancer treatment and because of the treatment, it has left with some major other health issues, so my energy levels are not what they should be.

I write as a very long standing resident of Rookery Court, right next to Trinity Road, having just received your letter dated December 2021 about this matter.

I wish to state again my opposition to your action, and the proposal now to make the changes to Trinity Road permanent, apparently without any more Public Consultation. The facts indicate that very few people actually support your proposed action, which I still consider to be completely unnecessary.

Trinity Road has operated perfectly well for many, many years in its open mixed use condition, and your changes are all for just 100 yards or so.

Far more importantly, I do not read of any action being proposed by TfB to safeguard the safe and free flow of traffic along Wethered Road by the school etc, and at the junction of that road with the main Lane End Road, and Cambridge Road.

If no action is taken here , as indeed at many others positions around the narrow streets of the old Marlow area , then we will all suffer from more major traffic congestion at the least , and probably more bad accidents , and possible deaths on our local roads .

Obviously nobody in your department , lives near Trinity Road/Weathered Road Marlow. The road is so often blocked, because, cars are wanting to come in to Weathered Road, or wanting to go out of Weathered Road, and today I counted 11 cars parked outside the old church and undertakers, so cars are restricted to one path. The situation is appalling , and of course, when the school is opening at 9 am and. Closing at 3/3.15 The situation is even worse.

Obviously our rates money is being spent on this so stupid closure.

How can you have a 'Quiet Way' in the middle of a busy town. ? The whole idea should be scraped all together.

I know you have had many Complaints, but 'WE' the locals, are not listened to.
