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Good afternoon

Re: Network Rail Stalybridge to Diggle TWA Order.

We write in connection with the above TWA order regarding the closing of Friezland Church Hall carpark to use as a works compound.

I help run the local Girl Guiding and Rangers unit at Friezland Church Hall. We have over 30 girls in attendance who meet every week, there are additional Guiding groups who also meet at the hall throughout the week. We hold meetings in the evenings and so the majority of girls are transported by car to/ from the hall. The church hall is on a blind bend, should the children be forced to exit vehicles away from the church hall and walk to the premises at night, we have serious safety concerns. It has also been brought to our attention that the hall itself may actually be closed during the works. We are a very well attended community group, and for many of the girls our meetings are their only social activity each week, as such, we can not close the unit whilst works take place.

Whilst we thoroughly appreciate the need for the upgrade works to be completed, we ask that the negative impact on our community should these facilities be utilised for the works is taken in to serious consideration and alternative compound facilities are sought for the duration of the works.

Regards
Laura Holland

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