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Dear madam or sir,

I write to strongly object to the proposed closure of this ancient foot path which also serves as a bridleway and cycle route.

In the past it was almost certainly the Roman road from Tackley Roman villa to Ackerman Street.

This footpath is very popular with residents and walkers and has featured in GWR advertising for walks along the canal via the train.

There is a simple solution to maintain this important path and that is to instal a secondhand fabricated concrete or steel bridge over the railway at the top of Cherwell Drive on land kept empty for this purpose originally as a safe way to the southbound platform.

This bridge would be restricted to foot, horse and cycle users and would sit on two preformed concrete piles and could be easily fitted by Network Rail infrastructure team at low cost. A simple stone path would lead down to join the original footpath south of the station.

This suggestion I believe would satisfy all parties and maintain access for canal users and Ramblers to our village shop and soon public house.

Please do come back to me for any clarification.

Thank you for your consideration

Robin Gregory



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