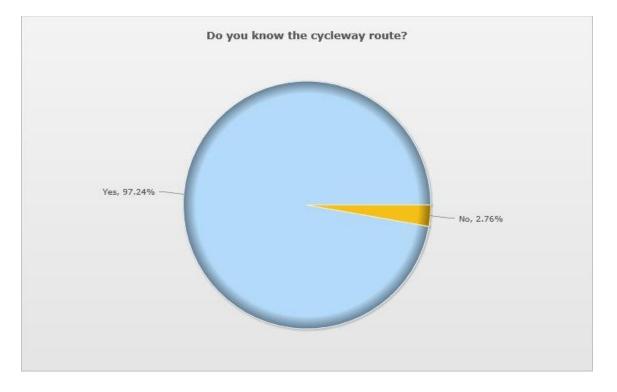
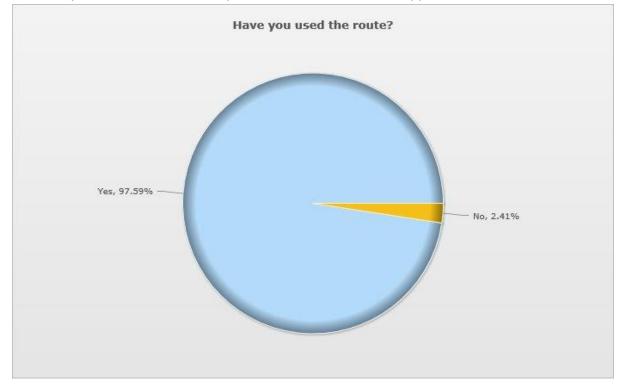
# Appendix A - Langport Cycleway Survey

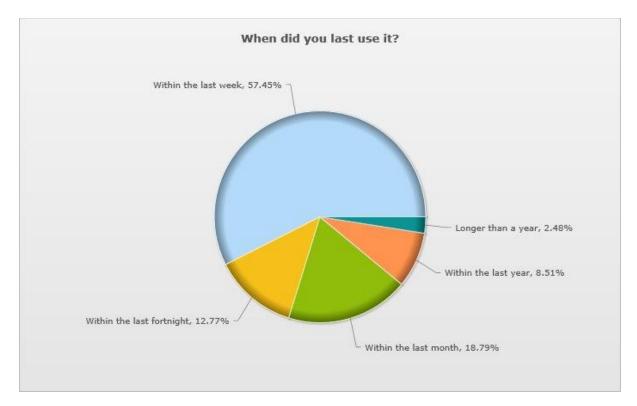
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Q3. Do you know the cycleway route? Responses - 290 answered / 10 skipped



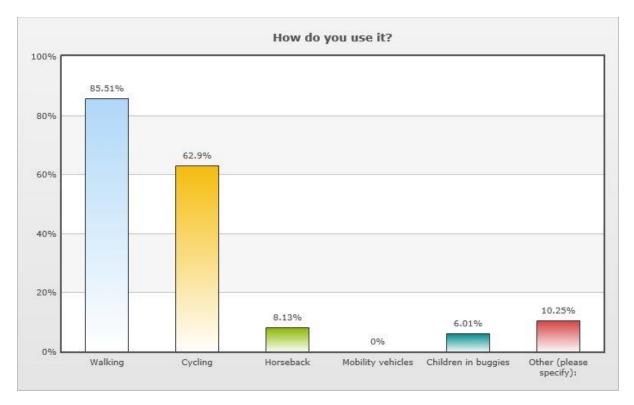


Q4. Have you used the route? Responses - 290 answered / 10 skipped



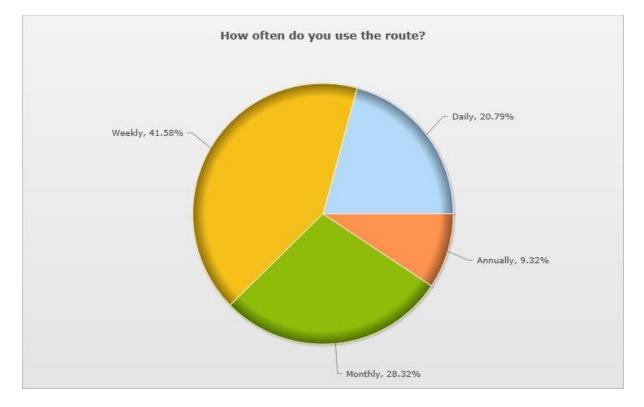
## Q5. When did you last use it? Responses – 282 answered / 18 skipped

Q6. How do you use it? Responses - 283 / 17 skipped



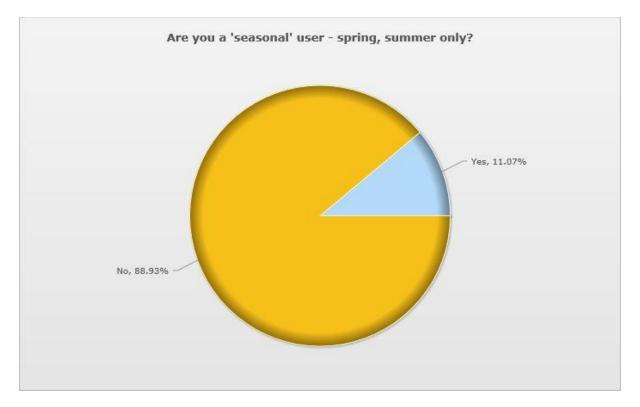
#### Other:

Running/Jogging	= 20
Dog Walking	= 7
Gatheringsloes	= 1
Family/children	= 2



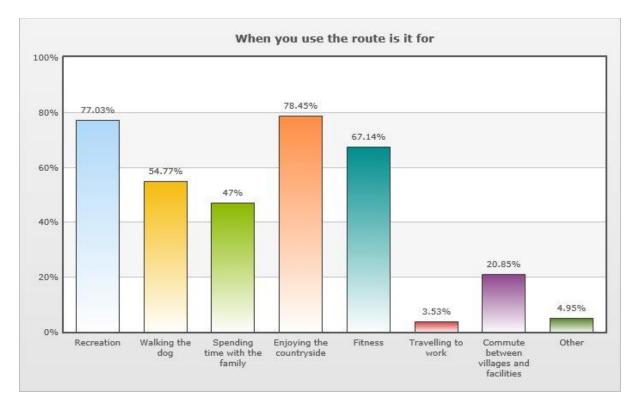
## Q7 How often do you use the route? Responses – 279 / 21 skipped

Q8. Are you a 'seasonal' user – spring, summer only? Responses – 280 / 20 skipped

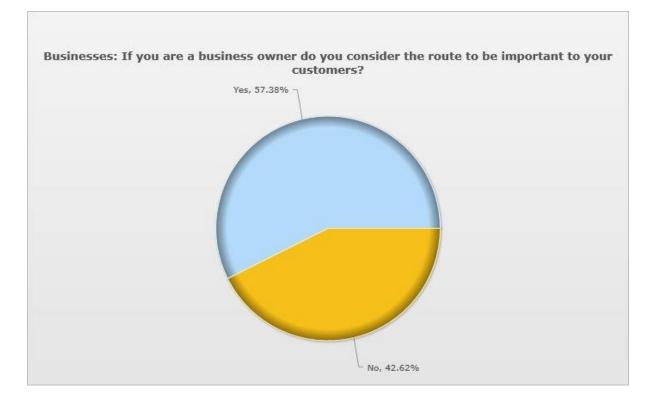


## Q9. When you use the route is it for

Responses 283 / 17 skipped



Q.10. Businesses: If you are a business owner do you consider the route to be important to your customers?



## Comments

## Q5. When did you last use it?

1	<u>12/04/17 5:22PM</u> <u>ID: 55491142</u>	I cycle the route every fortnight
2	<u>12/04/17 7:57PM</u> <u>ID: 55496523</u>	The family regularly use it either running, cycling or dog walking
3	<u>13/04/17 5:49PM</u> <u>ID: 55590565</u>	I use it 3 or 4 times a week
4	<u>15/04/17 5:39PM</u> <u>ID: 55808868</u>	I use it daily, and socialise with some of the regulars. I also ride along it and so do the girls that share my pony. It is much coveted and I have met the couple that hang bird feeders up over winter. It is a refreshing, cool green tunnel at the end of a hot day and it is alive with bird song in Spring. It provides a circular route to the field footpaths where you can eventually rejoin the drove and return. It is exactly a miles' fitness run, or 2, back and a wonderful even surface in wet weather for that purpose. It links to Muchelney and the riverside path back along the Parrett. It is one of the greatest amenities of the area and valued by all.
5	<u>16/04/17 5:16PM</u> <u>ID: 55849465</u>	Much improved now it's been cut back and opened out, the gate at the end ought to be replaced as it's been badly bent for quite a w hile.
6	<u>21/04/17 5:05PM</u> <u>ID: 56197328</u>	Used the route once but prefer the tarmac surface of the quiet road between Langport & Muchelney.
7	<u>23/04/17 9:35PM</u> <u>ID: 56321184</u>	we used to cycle it frequently in the summer months when our children were younger
8	<u>25/04/17 8:52AM</u> <u>ID: 56412095</u>	The cyclew ay is a route I use at least twice or more a week mostly for return journeys from Muchelney to Langport. I take friends and relatives along here too. Church sponsored rides have used the route too as it provides a traffic free enjoyable section especially for younger people.People walk their dogs along the route or just go for a walk. The route is an asset that is greatly appreciated. Could the cost of the licence be reduced by leasing rather than annual payment.
9	<u>25/04/17 1:55PM</u> <u>ID: 56438025</u>	Really enjoy it.
10	<u>26/04/17 9:46PM</u> <u>ID: 56532165</u>	With the family going to Langport from Muchelney and return
11	<u>29/04/17 8:17PM</u> <u>ID: 56743111</u>	This route forms a regular circular walk (at least twice a week) for me from my home and then back along the river bank or a further walk along to Midelney at Drayton.
12	<u>01/05/17 3:16PM</u> <u>ID: 56797210</u>	I use the route nearly everyday.
13	02/05/17 9:45AM ID: 56829733	We visit regularly from yorkshire and love it - I come from Taunton originally
14	02/05/17 4:08PM ID: 56861454	I use it nearly everyday

15	<u>03/05/17 9:14AM</u> <u>ID: 56897848</u>	Its a fantastic resource for teaching my daughter to ride a bike without the worry of the crazy busy main road through Langport. I've picnicked there and always take weekend visitors for a walk down there.
16	03/05/17 3:41PM ID: 56931320	The cyclew ay is a well used recreational resource for the surrounding area and is an essential connecting link to other walking and cycling routes.
17	<u>04/05/17 9:14PM</u> <u>ID: 57036582</u>	Normally come down for a lovely walk every weekend
18	<u>08/05/17 9:31AM</u> <u>ID: 57223135</u>	I use the pathway EVERY MORNING walking the dog!
19	<u>08/05/17 7:20PM</u> <u>ID: 57261675</u>	Used it for years
20	<u>08/05/17 7:43PM</u> <u>ID: 57262746</u>	Frequently use this route in conjunction with the river bank (Parrett trail) as a loop out and back from the village.
21	<u>08/05/17 7:58PM</u> <u>ID: 57263525</u>	I use the cycle way daily for dog walking and also jogging
22	<u>08/05/17 9:02PM</u> <u>ID: 57265966</u>	I use it at least 3-4 times a week to walk my dogs, run and cycle with my son. I also birdwatch and see many wonderful birds such as bullfinch.
23	<u>09/05/17 10:22AM</u> <u>ID: 57283512</u>	Lots of our campers use it to get to Langport without going on the road
24	<u>09/05/17 10:51AM</u> <u>ID: 57284745</u>	Use it most days to walk my dogs its a beautiful walk
25	<u>09/05/17 12:08PM</u> <u>ID: 57292271</u>	Although you clearly can't use the section from Hush Drove to Muchelney which is a pain.
26	09/05/17 4:07PM ID: 57307906	Probably most days in the 37 years I have lived here !
27	09/05/17 5:36PM ID: 57312869	Daily
28	<u>09/05/17_5:37PM</u> <u>ID: 57312803</u>	When I lived in the middle of Muchelney, I used it all the time but not so frequently now. We have a holiday cottage and we encourage our guests to use it as it provides an off road circular route to Langport
29	<u>09/05/17 6:13PM</u> <u>ID: 57314634</u>	We walk this path almost every day .
30	<u>10/05/17 12:26PM</u> <u>ID: 57350543</u>	I use it regularly for dog walking and occasionally cycling but surface is not suitable for road bikes.
31	<u>10/05/17 1:00PM</u> <u>ID: 57352655</u>	4/4 times a week

32	<u>10/05/17 2:13PM</u> ID: 57357734	Walked with my mother ,
33	<u>10/05/17 7:27PM</u> <u>ID: 57373863</u>	Sometimes more frequently depending on the weather
34	<u>10/05/17 7:45PM</u> <u>ID: 57374598</u>	Sometimes used more depending on weather! It is nice and sheltered.
35	<u>10/05/17 8:37PM</u> <u>ID: 57376533</u>	use it when I cycle to work
36	<u>10/05/17 11:00PM</u> <u>ID: 57383724</u>	We use the path most days
37	<u>11/05/17 8:20AM</u> <u>ID: 57392065</u>	Use it all the time, walking the dog and cycling
38	<u>11/05/17 1:29PM</u> <u>ID: 57412506</u>	Love this route. Brilliant for young and old people. Great hedgerows to pick produce from.
39	<u>11/05/17_4:58PM</u> ID: 57427557	This is a very popular route for families, cyclists, visitions and walkers. I use this route nearly every day and would be extremely disappointed that this will be closed. Would effect local cafe and cycle centre and other business in the town.
40	<u>11/05/17 5:06PM</u> <u>ID: 57428214</u>	An excellent easy walk used by many people
41	<u>11/05/17 5:21PM</u> <u>ID: 57428950</u>	Very rutted so big puddles
42	<u>11/05/17_7:04PM</u> ID: 57418598	We regularly use the cycle track as it is a safe route for me to take my children of mixed ages. I can walk or take a pushchair for our baby, give the toddler freedom to learn on a balance bike and my 8 year old can safely cycle ahead on her ow n.
43	<u>11/05/17_7:47PM</u> <u>ID: 57435092</u>	Great to have this. There are few options off the roads
44	<u>12/05/17 3:44PM</u> <u>ID: 57483420</u>	Use occasionally but not often
45	<u>12/05/17 7:51PM</u> <u>ID: 57496186</u>	I love this route and regularly use it for cycling and running on my own and with my husband and kids.
46	<u>12/05/17 10:50PM</u> <u>ID: 57501774</u>	I use it nearly every day for walks
47	<u>13/05/17 5:10PM</u> <u>ID: 57522406</u>	a lovely walkI very much enjoy
48	<u>13/05/17 8:46PM</u> <u>ID: 57526751</u>	I love the cycle way, I used to live in Langport but moved last year, it's a special area and I regularly return to walk the old railway/cycleway and see friends & shop in the town.

49	<u>13/05/17 10:44PM</u> <u>ID: 57529449</u>	I love it. It's historical and the nature is stunning
50	<u>14/05/17 12:11PM</u> <u>ID: 57540146</u>	I use the first section every wek and the railway section regularly
51	<u>14/05/17 2:04PM</u> <u>ID: 57542607</u>	I use it virtually every day to excercise my dog - and me!
52	<u>14/05/17 7:56PM</u> <u>ID: 57572091</u>	A great circular route from Huish Bridge to Muchelney. Sheltered from the sun and dry underfoot in the winter.
53	<u>15/05/17 5:28PM</u> <u>ID: 57655234</u>	Use for regular dog walking
54	<u>15/05/17 8:51PM</u> <u>ID: 57666915</u>	I use it regularly once or twice a day.
55	<u>16/05/17 12:03AM</u> <u>ID: 57674838</u>	Four times a week
56	<u>16/05/17 1:17PM</u> <u>ID: 57705419</u>	Part of the route
57	<u>16/05/17 4:00PM</u> <u>ID: 57717332</u>	I used it to cycle into Langport via bridge at Westover. I regularly walk the old railway line to Mulcheney, returning by the river.
58	<u>16/05/17 5:10PM</u> <u>ID: 57722317</u>	I w alk on it quite frequently
59	<u>16/05/17 5:18PM</u> <u>ID: 57722753</u>	I am a keen walker but work full time so only have time to walk locally after work so use this often.
60	<u>16/05/17 5:35PM</u> <u>ID: 57723383</u>	It is a great local amenity, much used by local people and visitors alike.
61	<u>18/05/17 12:01AM</u> <u>ID: 57817852</u>	I, and other dog walkers, use this route very regularly.
62	<u>18/05/17 2:45PM</u> <u>ID: 57860909</u>	I use the nearly every day
63	<u>18/05/17 4:02PM</u> <u>ID: 57866612</u>	use it regularly
64	<u>18/05/17 4:19PM</u> <u>ID: 57867276</u>	Hope to use it again in the summer holidays
65	<u>18/05/17 8:23PM</u> <u>ID: 57880054</u>	I use it daily to go to and from work and Chubby's
66	18/05/17 8:29PM	I use it for running, cycling and walking with my dogs and children.

	ID: 57880121	
67	<u>18/05/17 10:34PM</u> <u>ID: 57886862</u>	I usually walk along this route once a week with my dog and other dog walkers.
68	<u>18/05/17 10:34PM</u> <u>ID: 57886922</u>	We use it every day
69	<u>18/05/17 11:56PM</u> <u>ID: 57889361</u>	I used to live in Muchelney and my parents are buried in the church. I frequently walk my dogs along here and in the fields bordering it.
70	<u>19/05/17 6:10AM</u> <u>ID: 57894484</u>	Thus is a lovely safe way to cycle. We should be encouraging more of this not less
71	<u>19/05/17 8:00AM</u> <u>ID: 57897601</u>	I moved away to university but will be moving back to the area in a few years and will definitely be using it again. Especially when I have children.
72	<u>19/05/17 9:35AM</u> <u>ID: 57903037</u>	I use this route on a daily basis for walking my dog and most weekends with both my sons on their bikes, as a much safer route away from the busy rounds around Langport.
73	<u>19/05/17 9:35AM</u> <u>ID: 57903279</u>	Walks and cycles both family and with the Scouts
74	<u>19/05/17 9:45AM</u> <u>ID: 57904021</u>	Very over grow n
75	<u>19/05/17 9:53AM</u> <u>ID: 57904104</u>	I use it frequently to walk and link with other FPs. I also use it for group walks. To save on fuel in car I will walk into Langport to shop and visit friends
76	<u>19/05/17 11:06AM</u> <u>ID: 57909609</u>	Daily use for dog walking
77	<u>19/05/17 11:13AM</u> <u>ID: 57910362</u>	I use it most weeks
78	<u>19/05/17 2:41PM</u> <u>ID: 57925184</u>	I use the route regularly
79	<u>19/05/17 5:32PM</u> <u>ID: 57935603</u>	Every day
80	<u>19/05/17 7:53PM</u> <u>ID: 57940901</u>	This is a well used route, we use it as a family to get outside and keep fit, also mental well- being meeting other people, wildlife fresh air, safe away from traffic.
81	<u>19/05/17 8:01PM</u> <u>ID: 57941312</u>	Walked from Westover to Langport
82	20/05/17 12:34PM ID: 57960669	Frequently use this route
83	20/05/17 8:42PM	this is part of our regular family walk or cycle.

	ID: 57974403	
84	<u>24/05/17 1:22PM</u> <u>ID: 58188681</u>	4 times a week on average
85	<u>26/05/17 6:21PM</u> <u>ID: 58327787</u>	I walk my dog along this route most weeks
86	<u>28/05/17 12:19AM</u> <u>ID: 58365073</u>	I use this route at least 3 times a week
87	<u>28/05/17 11:53AM</u> <u>ID: 58374465</u>	Path used 2 or 3 times per week.
88	<u>28/05/17 11:01PM</u> <u>ID: 58390830</u>	I use the cyclew ay 3/4 times a week to walk my dog and I cycle for pleasure along it at least once a week
89	<u>29/05/17 6:54PM</u> <u>ID: 58415828</u>	I use the route for exercise and to w alk my dog.
90	<u>29/05/17 7:35PM</u> <u>ID: 58417158</u>	On holiday. Would have used it more than once but surface was so appalling, we used an alternative route. Last used it about 10 years ago, several times, when the surface was good,
91	<u>30/05/17 9:40PM</u> <u>ID: 58477169</u>	A safe route from home for shopping or visiting the dentist or going off for lunch.
92	01/06/17 8:34PM ID: 58590793	Use it most days to cycle/run
93	<u>07/06/17 8:27AM</u> <u>ID: 58839125</u>	Use every week,
94	<u>10/06/17_1:02PM</u> <u>ID: 59013926</u>	I have used the cyclew ay on a regular basis for over 40 years, walking, riding, clycling and also using it as an off road route between Langport and Drayton, and I continue to use it frequently.
95	<u>12/06/17 2:15PM</u> <u>ID: 59086779</u>	Use this cyclew ay on a regular basis 2_3 times each week year round unless flooded
96	<u>13/06/17 8:55PM</u> <u>ID: 59196307</u>	Use it perhaps twice/weekfor 6 months of the year
97	20/06/17 3:15PM ID: 59550029	Used it this morning!
98	23/06/17 12:06PM ID: 59698016	Every day I use this cyclew ay.
99	<u>24/06/17 4:22PM</u> <u>ID: 59744294</u>	I love it! Throughout the year so varied, safe, peaceful beautiful
100	24/06/17 9:52PM	Walked from Langport to Muchelney and back via the riverside path.

	<u>ID: 59750697</u>	
101	<u>25/06/17 9:41AM</u> <u>ID: 59758648</u>	As part of our keep fit regime we use the Cycleway as one of our regular routes, when ever we can find time.
102	<u>25/06/17 10:23PM</u> <u>ID: 59777426</u>	Circular walk along trail way and river.

## Q6. How do you use it?

<u>12/04/17 2:19PM</u> <u>ID: 55480753</u>	Slightly bumpy on a bike. How ever it's very pleasant and safer than riding on the road.
<u>12/04/17 6:58PM</u> <u>ID: 55494515</u>	It's a vital link when cycling, but also used a great deal for walking dogs, as it's so safe and away from roads
<u>13/04/17 3:00PM</u> <u>ID: 55556673</u>	I use the cycle path as part of a loop walk with my dogs. We are just opening a cycle hire business in Langport at Easter for weekend cycle hire.
<u>15/04/17 5:39PM</u> ID: 55808868	It is safe for infants to learn to ride a bicycle and to be left to run free. It is also safe for riders when used permissively and respectfully being a beautiful passage to appreciate the levels and hedgerows from and the only safe access to Muchelney avoiding traffic which is heavy by ATP. I value it enormously and consider we are very fortunate to have it. I notice that in the main it is litter free and dog users are mindful of mess.
<u>23/04/17 7:01PM</u> <u>ID: 56314708</u>	It is an enjoyable walk
<u>28/04/17 11:41PM</u> <u>ID: 56705540</u>	I found the surface quite rough, even allowing for the suspension on my hybrid bike.
<u>02/05/17 7:59AM</u> ID: 56822815	Regular dog walking which is vital when there is live stock in fields (with foot paths in). I have a friend who uses a mobility scooter due to health reasons & uses this path as well to walk her dogs, as she can't access certain areas(fields) that others can't due to narrow gates with steps & styles.
<u>03/05/17 3:41PM</u> <u>ID: 56931320</u>	The cyclew ay is useful for those trying to keep fit and is also rich in wildlife.
<u>08/05/17 7:20PM</u> ID: 57261675	Walking the dog every day
<u>08/05/17 7:43PM</u> ID: 57262746	Ideal safe area for grand children to gain confidence on their bikes and there is always the lure of a drink in Langport half way!
<u>09/05/17 10:51AM</u> <u>ID: 57284745</u>	Usually start at Cocklemoor and walk all the way around via Blackbridge and across the fields (as long as there are no cows) lol
09/05/17 11:53AM ID: 57291045	Beautiful ride. Would be lost without it. So peaceful
09/05/17 4:07PM	It's a great place to walk safely.

<u>ID: 57307906</u>	
<u>10/05/17 7:45PM</u> ID: 57374598	It is good for pushing grandchildren in buggies and also excellent fo elderly as it is flat and firm and therefore provides easier walking than on the river bank.
<u>10/05/17 8:37PM</u> ID: 57376533	girlfriend would like to ride her pony down there more but the gates aren't very good
<u>10/05/17 11:00PM</u> <u>ID: 57383724</u>	Dog walking and running
<u>11/05/17 1:29PM</u> ID: 57412506	Lovely to be away from cars
<u>11/05/17 4:58PM</u> ID: 57427557	As before I walk this route nearly on an every day basis.
<u>11/05/17 7:47PM</u> ID: 57435092	Enjoy walking and cycling
<u>12/05/17 7:13AM</u> ID: 57450059	I have used it for cycling once but the surface is not suitable for use other than on a mountain bike
<u>13/05/17 8:46PM</u> <u>ID: 57526751</u>	A beautiful walk, free of traffic. The bird life and hedgerows fascinating all year round.
<u>13/05/17_10:44PM</u> <u>ID: 57529449</u>	Such a lovely walk. You meet great people who are also enjoying the cycle way. It's safe and gives access to a very secret part of Somerset. Don't close it. Promote it. Such a valuable facility and such a privilege to have it.
<u>14/05/17 2:04PM</u> <u>ID: 57542607</u>	Mainly walking but I do cycle on it fairly frequently as it is safer than the roads by avoiding pot holes and vehicles.
<u>15/05/17 5:28PM</u> ID: 57655234	Dog walking
<u>16/05/17 12:03AM</u> <u>ID: 57674838</u>	Use it as part of a circular route running and dog walking 4 times a week sometimes more.
<u>16/05/17 12:24PM</u> ID: 57701830	Excellent dogwalking facility
<u>16/05/17 5:18PM</u> ID: 57722753	I have cycled it but not regularly.
<u>16/05/17 5:35PM</u> <u>ID: 57723383</u>	I often walk from my home in Muchelney to Langport to the shops.What a joy not to have to risk life and limb on the main road where traffic can be heavy in every in sense of the word, and there is no pavement or speed limit. Great for children to cycle safely.
<u>18/05/17 2:45PM</u> <u>ID: 57860909</u>	It is a popular route, it is so good to be able to walk somewhere safe off the roads

<u>18/05/17 5:28PM</u> ID: 57873182	It's a flat, off road and safe place for my child who has special needs to ride his specially adapted bike. It's too wide for paths and he's not able to control it safely on a road.
<u>18/05/17 5:59PM</u> ID: 57874500	I have lived in muchelney all my life and it is a joy to have it open again for horses! I tend to use very early in the morning and rarely see anyone else the views from the railway line are stunning
<u>18/05/17 8:23PM</u> ID: 57880054	Take my grandma out to see the country side as she is In a wheel chair and doesn't get out much
<u>18/05/17 10:08PM</u> ID: 57885838	A safe place for my kids to ride their bikes
<u>18/05/17 11:01PM</u> I <u>D: 57887778</u>	Riders need more off road tracks not risk lose of existing ones. Be nice if this track could be extended to join the rest of the old railway track. Roads are do dangerous so the more off road riding we can get the better.
<u>19/05/17 6:35AM</u> ID: 57895004	I love the cycle route it's safe with young children
<u>19/05/17 10:00AM</u> ID: 57904816	I use the route for a run and going for family walks, my son loves walking along there.
<u>19/05/17 10:13AM</u> <u>ID: 57905618</u>	The hedgerows as they change through the year are a constant, close up reminder of the course of the natural year. Different insects, including butterflies, also blossoms, birdsong, berries, even bats - a veritable nature lesson every day
<u>19/05/17 11:13AM</u> ID: 57910362	It is lovely to get aw ay from traffic
<u>19/05/17 3:12PM</u> ID: 57927336	It is a safe way for my children to cycle from Drayton to Langort avoiding potentially dangerous roads.
<u>19/05/17 10:37PM</u> ID: 57946378	There isn't a lot of places that we can ride off of the roads, it's safe!!
<u>20/05/17 9:29PM</u> ID: 57975462	Also use for level offroad running
<u>22/05/17 10:57AM</u> <u>ID: 58041341</u>	Walking: popular with friends and family visiting the area for walking. Makes a great circuit with Huish Drove and the river paths. Jogging: my main route
<u>28/05/17 12:19AM</u> <u>ID: 58365073</u>	I use this route at least 3 times a week
<u>28/05/17 11:01PM</u> ID: 58390830	I have family with small children who visit regularly and it is a safe and lovely walk for children full of birds and wildlife for them to spot
<u>10/06/17 1:02PM</u> ID: 59013926	Horseback riding in the past only
<u>12/06/17 2:15PM</u> ID: 59086779	Regularly see several other people cycling dog walking and jogging on this route

<u>23/06/17 3:35PM</u> <u>ID: 59709993</u>	Use it regularly for walking dog and running and planning on using it when start cycling with the family
24/06/17 4:22PM ID: 59744294	Have cycled & hope to do so again
<u>24/06/17 9:52PM</u> ID: 59750697	I'm a keen cyclist but would not ride my road bikes on the rough surfaces. The route is also short and hardly worth the effort to divert from the roads. It would be great if the surface could be improved and the route extended. Stating the obvious, good cycle routes attract a great deal of tourist attention and associated wealth to localities.
<u>25/06/17 9:41AM</u> <u>ID: 59758648</u>	As above and we recommend it to other types of user too.
<u>25/06/17 10:23PM</u> <u>ID: 59777426</u>	Occasionally come over from Yeovil. More frequently in the past when we had a dog.
<u>30/06/17 10:44AM</u> <u>ID: 60043660</u>	As a member of Langport Runners it is a good route to get to Muchelney. Its a safe route for beginners in our Beginners Group. I have considered it as a possible route for a regular Junior parkrun w hich needs a 2 km route. If the surface could be improved it would be ideal. These event take place every Sunday morning at 9 am. The nearest is Longrun Meadow in Taunton
01/07/17 11:05AM ID: 60103680	Thoroughly enjoyable and peaceful walk or cycle which my family and I use two or three times a week.

## Q7. How often do you use the route?

<u>13/04/17 3:00PM</u> <u>ID: 55556673</u>	As a new business in Langport we have had a lot of support for our venture from other business's particularly in the hospitality and leisure sector. All of our 5 planned cycle routes will use the cycle path, so if it is unavailable for future recreational use by public, it will have a serious impact on the viability of our fledgling business.
<u>13/04/17 4:20PM</u> <u>ID: 55574149</u>	in the summer quite often, but not really in the winter
<u>15/04/17 5:39PM</u> <u>ID: 55808868</u>	It is closest to my home and I run morning and evening with the dogs along it. It is a stimulating escape from the busy tow n being also secluded.
<u>16/04/17 5:16PM</u> <u>ID: 55849465</u>	Mainly during the summer, the Parrett trail back to Langport is often too muddy in the winter.
<u>19/04/17 9:14AM</u> <u>ID: 56027309</u>	Would use it more often if it was joined up to other routes.
<u>21/04/17 5:05PM</u> <u>ID: 56197328</u>	Only used the route once to try it out.
<u>23/04/17 7:01PM</u> <u>ID: 56314708</u>	Probably 3-4 times in a year - on a nice day!
<u>23/04/17 9:17PM</u> <u>ID: 56320237</u>	Several time a year but at no specific period or time of year

<u>25/04/17 8:52AM</u> ID: 56412095	Usually 2 or more return journeys per week
<u>26/04/17 9:46PM</u> ID: 56532165	Used for general fitness instead of driving into Langport
<u>28/04/17 11:41PM</u> ID: 56705540	This was only the 2nd time I'd used the route - the previous trip was about a year ago.
<u>02/05/17 7:59AM</u> <u>ID: 56822815</u>	I use it on a almost daily basis, loosing this would devastating. We can exercise our dogs & selves with them while enjoying the beautiful country side we live in. Enjoying it in this way is massive draw for people who live n the tow n & outside it.
03/05/17 3:41PM ID: 56931320	The cyclew ay was a key part of last years Langport walking festival.
04/05/17 9:33PM ID: 57038102	More often in the summer to walk or cycle to Langport
<u>08/05/17 7:43PM</u> ID: 57262746	In the better weather used two/three times a week, average weekly over a year.
08/05/17 7:56PM ID: 57263553	Sometimes daily.
09/05/17 10:51AM ID: 57284745	Daily if the weather is warm x
09/05/17 4:07PM ID: 57307906	It's always busy !
09/05/17 4:43PM ID: 57310216	At least four times a week
09/05/17 5:37PM ID: 57312803	If you include our holiday visitors
<u>10/05/17 1:00PM</u> ID: 57352655	Most people reading your flyer will assume that it is only for cyclists so you will probably get a very artificially low response rate. There are about a hundred walkers to cyclists
<u>10/05/17 2:02PM</u> <u>ID: 57356432</u>	The amount we use the route varies sometimes 2-3 times in a week some times once a month if we want to shop in langport and weather is dry we will cycle as is a safe route also for walking the dog but like to do different routes use more in spring summer as dry but will sometimes use in winter if a fine day the langport road is not safe to walk dog along and with smaller people unsafe to walk as no footpath
<u>10/05/17 7:27PM</u> <u>ID: 57373863</u>	Several times a year for dog walking, particularly in the winter when the river banks are muddy and difficult to walk on.
<u>10/05/17</u> 7:45PM ID: 57374598	On average sometimes more combined with river walk.
10/05/17 8:37PM	depends on the weather

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<u>10/05/17 9:25PM</u> ID: 57379698	A few times a year
<u>11/05/17 8:20AM</u> <u>ID: 57392065</u>	Not every day but more than once a week
<u>11/05/17 4:58PM</u> ID: 57427557	As above!
<u>12/05/17 7:13AM</u> ID: 57450059	A few times a year
<u>12/05/17 7:53PM</u> <u>ID: 57496310</u>	I alw ays use this route on the weekends and whenever I get the chance during the weekdays for cycling and walking.
<u>13/05/17 6:40AM</u> <u>ID: 57507083</u>	I use it on average once a week. Slightly less in winter, more often at other times of the year. Just pick good days in the winter!
<u>14/05/17 2:04PM</u> <u>ID: 57542607</u>	Usually twice a day, morning and late afternoon.
<u>16/05/17 8:44AM</u> <u>ID: 57684297</u>	Sometimes more
<u>16/05/17 5:10PM</u> <u>ID: 57722317</u>	Probably 3 or more times a month
<u>16/05/17 5:18PM</u> <u>ID: 57722753</u>	On average monthly but more frequently in the summer.
<u>16/05/17 5:35PM</u> <u>ID: 57723383</u>	The main road to Langport from Muchelney is a fast risky place to walk/cycle. There are several narrow bends close to Langport which are dangerous to the above.
<u>16/05/17 10:45PM</u> <u>ID: 57736199</u>	3 or 4 times a week, more in nice weather
<u>18/05/17 12:01AM</u> <u>ID: 57817852</u>	Not every day, but usually at least every other day.
<u>18/05/17</u> 4:19PM ID: 57867276	As a cyclist but use the muchelny end weekly in the car
<u>18/05/17 5:28PM</u> <u>ID: 57873182</u>	More than monthly during he summer, but we still go on family bike rides during the winter on dry days
<u>18/05/17 8:23PM</u> <u>ID: 57880054</u>	3/4 times a day
<u>18/05/17 11:01PM</u> ID: 57887778	As often as possible

<u>19/05/17 8:00AM</u> <u>ID: 57897601</u>	See question 5 comments. When I lived in the area I used it weekly
<u>19/05/17 9:53AM</u> <u>ID: 57904104</u>	At least weekly could be 3 or 4 times a week
<u>19/05/17 10:13AM</u> <u>ID: 57905618</u>	I use the path 3-4 times per week
<u>19/05/17 8:01PM</u> <u>ID: 57941312</u>	Was staying with family when used the path
<u>20/05/17 12:34PM</u> <u>ID: 57960669</u>	At least 3 times a w eek
<u>22/05/17 10:57AM</u> <u>ID: 58041341</u>	3/4 times per week, all year. It doesn't flood, except in the foot path area in Westover.
<u>22/05/17 9:33PM</u> <u>ID: 58083392</u>	up to 5 times a week
<u>28/05/17 12:19AM</u> <u>ID: 58365073</u>	I use this route at least 3 times a week
<u>28/05/17 11:01PM</u> <u>ID: 58390830</u>	Several times a week every week of the year
<u>29/05/17 6:54PM</u> <u>ID: 58415828</u>	Use is 2-3 times per week.
<u>29/05/17 7:35PM</u> <u>ID: 58417158</u>	See q5 above. Only annually on average!
<u>30/05/17 2:16PM</u> <u>ID: 58454527</u>	1
<u>12/06/17 2:15PM</u> ID: 59086779	Use this cycle route 2/3 times every week alongside lots of other folk.
<u>13/06/17 8:55PM</u> <u>ID: 59196307</u>	Twice/weekor more in the summer
<u>13/06/17 8:58PM</u> <u>ID: 59196667</u>	Perhaps 2/3 times a w eek
<u>19/06/17 8:24PM</u> <u>ID: 59508539</u>	Part of a circular route to go to Langport and avoid A378
22/06/17 9:56PM ID: 59675619	Walked at least twice a week and in summer 3-4 times a week
24/06/17 4:22PM	Popular with walking with friends .

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24/06/17 9:52PM ID: 59750697	Useful to use as part of a walk in the area, but it is becoming a dog toilet.
<u>25/06/17 9:41AM</u> <u>ID: 59758648</u>	We use it as often as can be managed. Frequency varies.
<u>25/06/17 10:23PM</u> <u>ID: 59777426</u>	Vist maybe once or twice a year.
<u>30/06/17 10:44AM</u> ID: 60043660	At the moment its roughly monthly bur could be weekly if kept in reasonable order

# 10. Businesses: If you are a business owner do you consider the route to be important to your customers?

<u>13/04/17 2:02PM</u> <u>ID: 55553584</u>	anything that is on offer to improve local life is of benefit to my business.
<u>13/04/17 2:25PM</u> <u>ID: 55555849</u>	NA
<u>13/04/17 2:40PM</u> <u>ID: 55557851</u>	I get asked about it every week and direct people to it. I have laminated a map to show people the route.
<u>13/04/17 3:00PM</u> <u>ID: 55556673</u>	Please read the comments for question 7.
<u>13/04/17 5:49PM</u> <u>ID: 55590565</u>	our customers walk their dogs, either as a stopover on route to a further destination and then come in and have a coffee, or locals who walk and then come in
25/04/17 1:55PM ID: 56438025	We are leasing the old Visitor's Centre and have many customers in who use and enjoy it.
02/05/17 4:39PM ID: 56863559	We have quite a few guests who come to stay with us specifically as we are on the National Cycle Route (33) and the Langport Cycleway
<u>03/05/17_10:25PM</u> <u>ID: 56959176</u>	This brings trade into the area. We are also working in conjunction with British cycling to run women's only cycle rides starting in Langport and these routes are idea as the area is relatively flat for novice riders.
09/05/17 10:22AM ID: 57283512	Campers use it to get to Langport
<u>09/05/17 10:51AM</u> <u>ID: 57284745</u>	NA
<u>09/05/17 11:53AM</u> <u>ID: 57291045</u>	I run a dog walking business I also use it to walk dogs on and so do a lot of my customers

<u>09/05/17 5:37PM</u> <u>ID: 57312803</u>	Many of our holiday visitors yes the route
<u>10/05/17 12:26PM</u> <u>ID: 57350543</u>	not relevant
<u>10/05/17 2:02PM</u> <u>ID: 57356432</u>	We also have just opened as a B&B so would suggest this as a route for visitors to walk to langport
<u>10/05/17 7:27PM</u> <u>ID: 57373863</u>	n/a
<u>11/05/17 8:20AM</u> <u>ID: 57392065</u>	I'm not a business ow ner
<u>12/05/17 7:51PM</u> <u>ID: 57496186</u>	Na
<u>12/05/17 7:53PM</u> ID: 57496310	n/a
<u>13/05/17 6:40AM</u> <u>ID: 57507083</u>	My business is based nearby, in Isle Brewers, but I send our customers to Langport and suggest they make use of all facilities - shops, cafes and walks. They are often looking for local places to explore.
<u>14/05/17 2:04PM</u> <u>ID: 57542607</u>	I am retired.
<u>17/05/17 9:26AM</u> ID: 57749319	We own a Hotel where we have many guests staying that are cyclists and walkers using this route. Closing this will be very bad for my business.
<u>18/05/17 8:29PM</u> <u>ID: 57880121</u>	My workshop and show room is based in the trading estate at the end of the route. I often have customers whom visit me before or after walking the route with family, children, or dogs.
<u>19/05/17 11:06AM</u> <u>ID: 57909609</u>	Retired
<u>20/05/17 10:26PM</u> <u>ID: 57976652</u>	Scouts, cubs, explorers and also langport army cadet platoon all regularly use walk and would miss out if closed to public
<u>28/05/17 11:01PM</u> <u>ID: 58390830</u>	But there is a cycle hire place in Langport and it is the perfect place for visitors to start to see our beautiful landscape and learn about our history. This was an important railway line.
<u>06/06/17 12:31PM</u> <u>ID: 58791553</u>	n/a
07/06/17 8:27AM ID: 58839125	Not a business user.
<u>12/06/17 2:15PM</u> <u>ID: 59086779</u>	Lots of customers walk to our farm shop

<u>19/06/17 9:13PM</u> <u>ID: 59510146</u>	Brilliant to bring cyclists to the area.
24/06/17 9:52PM	NA
ID: 59750697	

#### 11. Do you have any other comments?

It's a pity the whole railway line was not maintained as a bridle way

The Cyclew ay is a vital link into Langport and enjoyed by many people.

We should be looking to open up more routes not close them, you try to encourage people to keep fit & stop using cars then close dow n pathways!!

If people lose areas to exercise then health will worsen and put more strain on NHS & GP's. It's also a major atraction for the town encouraging in walkers, cyclists & visitors.

The cycle way is a key attraction to visitors and residents. It's easily accessible to all. Suitable for all ages. Flat and easy to use. A great asset to Langport.

Would really like cyclepath from Langport to burrow bridge along river parrett. How can I get involved?

I think it would be a disaster for the local economy if it wasn't able to be used. Huge numbers of people come to Langport to walk BECAUSE of the ease of walking away from roads.

The cycle path is used by very many people from Langport and others who come to the area for holidays and recreation. The ammenity has been in use for many many years and would be a very serious loss for the community. There will be many people who are not aw are this survey and some who won't bother to fill in this survey, but they are the unheard group that will still loose out and should still be considered.

Another consideration that should be taken into account is that in winter when the levels are in flood is that the cycle way is the only route that is not under water.

I am new to the area but cycle regularly on the roads between Martock Langport and Huish. I have not heard about this route which may be good for the grandchildren who are not yet Road safe.

The route would be more popular if it was joined up to other routes useable by cyclists, especially child cyclists.

It would be good to extend it along the old railway to Thorney and potentially beyond.

The cyclew ay forms part of a good circular walk - to Muchelney bridge and back to Langport along the river. Would be great if it could be extended.

The access at the Muchelney end can get very muddy making it unpleasant to use it.

It's a shame the route isn't any longer but it is a pleasure to walk your dog and cycle along without worrying about cars.

It is an enjoyable walk on a nice day and I hope I will be able to continue to use it!

It would be nice to have any other old railway line routes locally made available for cycling & walking without trafic

It is valuable to have a stretch of cyclew ay off the main roads, which are dangerous with the speed and volume of traffic

on them. Also for the ability to see so much wildlife en route and views of Somerset.

A fantastic scenic route for everyone to enjoy and watch wildlife

The Cyclew ay has been used by my family and friends as visitors. The route gives them a very attractive and unique way to see the Somerset Levels whether flooded or not. They have also used the route as part of the National Cycle Route. Keeping our section of the National Cycle Route open is a shared social responsibility that has far reaching consequences. Closing our section of the National Cycle Route would ruin the route and worse the links are broken probably forever!

A great local amenity for fitness and attracting tourists.

This cycle path is very important locally: many people use it all year round.

Although not a frequent user we know we would use it more if more free time. We both work full time and I am often aw ay from home with work.

The route is an asset for Muchelney and Langport and reduces the amount of traffic on the road.

The route could use improvement, and not just to the surface. A couple of picnic benches wouldn't go amiss (e.g. as on the Straw berry Line) and the access at the S end - with its two gates, is aw kw ard with a bike. The car park at the N end is also not that inviting, although it's hard to see how it's setting could be improved. Nevertheless, it's a useful facility and appreciated as a level, off-road cycle route.

I sincerely hope this route will not be abandoned just because the cycle shop has gone. Many more walkers than cyclists use the route and we are all told to be more active for the sake of our health. There is much wildlife to see along here in the early morning and it would be a shame to be denied this. The only other route in the vicinity is out and back along the river bank

The Langport Cycle Way is a well used amenity which our family enjoys about 3 or 4 times a week all the year round usually for dog walking and for cycling too. Its sheltered on windy wet days and is not muddy under foot in wet weather.

The route or cycle way brings people to the tow n and the local area, to enjoy the beautiful countryside that we have, to exercise. Both they and myself also bring others along to enjoy the path(s) and the beauty. This means people come to the tow n, spend money in the local shops and cafes, the path is seen as a local meeting point. It is an asset to the locals, local businesses and the tow n. It brings people in and contributes to overall fitness levels and as well encouraging people to visit and send money. It would be both foolish and sad to see it go.

This is an integral part of the area for the community & others from outside the local community. Closing it would be ridiculous & devastating.

It is an important amenity - please don't close it!!!

please keep this most valuable and wonderful asset to the community

The cyclew ay is a key element to the local sustainable transport infra-structure and as such it is good for people and wider public health. It is also an important part of the local tourism "offer" for visitors who are attracted to the area and therefore the cyclew ay helps to support the local economy. Finally the cyclew ay and associated hedges create an important wildlife corridor.

I think it's vital to preserve cyclew ays and areas for outdoor recreation, it's all part of the wider community

The cycle path comes to a abrupt end at the road near Mulchelney. It would be nice if the path in the future could be

extended further.

A much valued route to avoid the main road and enjoy the scenery. I hope that it will continue to be maintained as a valuable local asset.

It is particularly important to me as it can be used all the year round.

Only just found out last week, everyone I tell on my walk are astonished ! And didn't know about it like me . And most are upset. As it's so safe for children on bikes, hope you will reconsider. As so many use it . And if it closes the landow ners will be shutting all paths . Yours Leslie shepherd

This route is invaluable for so many reasons not least the health benefits from walking/cycling but also the reduction in pollution by not driving into Langport. Added to this is the financial benefit and the extra parking as a result.

One of the best places to walk in the area, and useful to fit in with some shopping in Langport.

I hope this questionnaire is not going to result in restrictions on use of this part of Sustrans route 339. Cycling and walking are key to the health of the nation and also helps to reduce waste of NHS resources.

I would miss it very much if it was closed to the public

It would be a shame to lose it as it's so well used and you always bump into runners, walkers and cyclists. It is also part of a circular walk and also gives access to walks to Drayton and Huish. Having spoken to local people there are many who are not aware of the plan to close it and it's not well publicised in my opinion.

It would be a shame to loss this route into Langport!!!

We need more available dog litter bins please .there is still alot of dog fow ling and also irresponsible dog ow ners throw ing their poo bags in hedgerows and the sides of the walkways

It's a beautiful track

This is a really well used walking route and is particularly useful, if not essential in times of flood. Because it is higher than the surrounding land, it is one of the few places left to use and enjoy the local environment. It is a very popular amenity and all users enjoy and co-exist harmoniously. We would be very sorry to see this go.

The cycle way is a constant joy, and offers a good walking surface. Once the cattle are turned out in the summer, it also offers a safe walking area. I meet other walkers and their dogs and cyclists enjoying the lovely countryside.

Please, please do NOT close this cycle way. It's of great importance in allowing one to properly enjoy the spectacular Levels.

It would be a great pity if this route was allowed to close .walking along the road now adays is a nightmare.

I regard the cycle rout as an amenity to the local community but also very popular with visitors and holiday makers who make a very large contribution to the local economy.

Its a safe way to travel with my children on bikes to Langport without having to cross the busy main road. It would be a huge loss to the community

Muchelney children use route to walk and cycle to school as somerset county council say the causeway unsafe to walk or cycle along. Thanks

I am a cyclist it will be great to ride a long the path

It would be helpful if path could be extended south along old railway line track

Please put up another set of flyers stating that you want a response from walkers as well

It would be a real loss to the community to loose this facility and all of my family were really upset to hear that there are plans to close it

it is a vital link between the villages and langport, with the only alternative being a dangerous narrow road, whigh is unsuitable for younger childern and pets

We do teas in Muchelney Church during the summer months to raise money for the Church. Many of our visitors use the cyclew ay to visit not only the Church but The Abbey and the National Trust Priests House.

with the high hedge and trees I would say this route is very boring because it's very straight with no real views of the beautiful levels and the wildlife it has to offer! also the gates muchelney end are awful

It would be helpful to know the purpose of this survey. Why do you want this information. Is access to the path at risk?

It's an important link to mulchelney and a lovely route it would be a shame to loose it

We regularly walk the cycle way, droves and river path with our dog marveling at the beautiful scenery and wildlife.

Needs some upkeep work completing

I would like more not less cycle routes for the family

I love using this unique bit of countryside

Cyclew ay is part of a link where folks can enjoy meeting and relaxing chillin and destressing looking upon thee levels Brings a community sprirt out. sad day for socialism if were lost..long live the cyclew ay

Whatever time of the day we use the cyclew ay, we alw ays meet other people eg. holiday makers, residents from surrounding villages, day trippers, others going to & from work on foot or bike, horse riders. A fantastic amenity for Langport.

It is a great amenity for the community and visitors; there are numerous cycle enthusiasts who use local businesses particularly cafes so it is very important to maintain it.

It would be devastating if this route was closed as we get so much enjoyment from using this. It is also a safe route for our children to cycle. I regularly see dog walkers, walkers and cyclists on this route.

I would be sad to see this route close. My family and I get alot of enjoyment using this route as it is on our doorstep and a very safe route for my children.

This path is not only an important recreational facility, but also part of the history of langport and surrounding villages.

It is a very important walking route for myslef and many friends. It is a busy path and very well used and much loved. It is also a safe path to Drayton and Muchelney - easier than using the road for both walking and cycling. I urge SSDC to

maintain it as currently arranged.

This route links everything together, and is vital for walkers.

I would not like to see it tarmacked

this is an import part of the circuit to Muchelney and beyond,

Please don't stop the people of Langport, Muchelney and their numerous friends from using this historic and bucolic track. There are few er and few er untainted places to walk or cycle. Somerset and particularly The Levels, have thousands of devotees, but we can share these beautiful spaces with many more visitors, let's share the beauty of South Somerset.

Langport is a great hub. Lots of things to do and see for such a small tow n. The cyclew ay is the jew el in the crow n.

This is a very well used local route and should stay open. Can the cost be negotiated dow n?

More and more farmers seem to be determined to close any pathways wherever possible so the number of walking and cycling routes are sadly reducing. We always take friends and relative down there when they visit.

A very important asset to the community. Please don't let us lose it.

Would be a terrible loss to lose this route, it is used by so many local people and is a safe route to get between Muchelney and Langport, avoiding the bendy road.

It would be a shame if this was closed and the way this is being done under the heading of " a survey" is pitiful

Use it regularly - both walking and cycling. All times of the year.

Safe environment away from traffic and livestock

Loss of this route would increase my use of a car, increase usage of the dangerous Frog Lane exit onto the A378, and diminish the amenity offering the area offers to tourists.

the route requires, I would believe, little maintenance so not sure why it is under threat of closure!

I have enjoyed the cycle path for many years and would be sad if it was no longer open

Please don't close the footpath thank you.

Nice facility but I know there are access concerns for emergency vehicles etc..

I understand that this survey is in response to proposals by the council to reduce costs incurred by renting the land on which the cyclew ay lies. It forms the only pedestrian round trip to Muchelney, and the footpath by Westover is extremely highly used by dog walkers - the only other round trip to access the drove is to cross Bow Street and use a narrow pavement, crossing the road again on a blind corner to gain access to Frog Lane - dangerous and unsuitable. The route is very popular. It would be very remiss of the council to close it dow n.

It is a fantastic route and it enjoyed by so many people

I do not see a need or reason to close this cycle way. I pass people most days I use it which proves it is being used by

the local community.

This is a lovely short route that is great for kids.

Please please dont close it....it is a wonderful resource. Hear so many different bird songs along there...and in summer it gives precious shade. So few shady walks around here.

It would be great if more routes were available in the area or possibly extending this one

I would be sad if the path was no longer walkable

This is a valuble asset to the health, wealth and well being of the Langport community.

It is a lovely and much used path - a lovely alternative to getting in the car and driving. Keeps us healthy and happy, please let us continue to use it!

This is a lovely place to go to meet friends and go on walks with my children. It's a safe place for the children play and it's lovely to talk about its old use. We all love the idea of walking on an old railway line. It makes for a great place to exercise too running along it is lovely and I'd hate to see it closed.

This is a fantastic amenity accesible for all - children in buggies, bikes, wheelchairs. Walking aids. Accessible because it is cuurently well maintained. Please don't stop maintaining it

This is just the most beautiful walk and I very much would like to see it, the wildlife and the flora and fauna preserved.

This route is brilliant and every time I've walked/cycled along it I have never not seen anyone else using it. It's picturesque, quiet and safe and opts for a very safe passage between Langport and muchelney. In the summer I take my children cycling a lot and we use this route.

I think it's a vital part of Langport especially with more developments happening, to keep these spaces available. I have very happy memories of cycling to Muchelney and back with picnics and going blackberrying. I am looking forward to doing all these things again when I eventually move back to the area.

As mentioned, this route is a much safer way for my two children to enjoy the benefits of cycling. I am finding the roads around Langport unsafe due to HGV's travelling along the narrow roads, some without footpaths or very narrow paths.

Use it all the time

I would be very sad to see this route close. I notice it is well used by so many. It is safe for families especially little ones on bikes. The roads are so dangerous

It's not safe to run on the narrow roads between Langport and Muchelney and closing this path would reduce options for safe leisure and tourism.

This is a busy little track for lots of local people, I always pass people on this track using it for various different reasons. My son goes to cubs and this track is part of there activities on hikes etc.

This is a popular cycle and walking path. I see families walking, cycling, and dog walking every day I use it. The path makes a good circular walk to muchelney then back to Langport on the river bank, or parent of a longer walk

Another case of Conservatives trying to break the country

This is beautiful walk, cycle and is cherished by our community ,visitors from around England' as well as other countries

It is a lovely safe dog walk which is brilliant. As a route to run it is safe, car free and a good length.

I love it

We need this for our community.

Lovely route please keep it open for all to use and enjoy

How can the local council spend all that money a few years ago on a metal bridge to cross the River Parrett and then not keep this cyclew ay open. It is ludicrous

It's one of the only safe ride for horses

Please do not close this route, it gives an enjoyable safe and off road link between villages and a nice route to cycle without having to go kn dangerous a roads.

The cycle route is a brilliant local amenity which is used by all sorts of people, I see kids on bikes, families walking, joggers, older people out for a stroll. It is such a lovely & safe way to enjoy the countryside, you get to know people you meet on the walk & while we are all being encouraged to keep fit it provides a brilliant way to do just that

please keep this popular route open, try to expand it to the south.

A wonderful asset for our area which encourages people to get out and about. Also forms a dry conduit during times of flood.

As trustee to two charities, Great Bow Wharf at Bow Bridge and the Angel on Bow street, I know both have visitors who appreciate the path way. Cycling is becoming more popular in the town and this is a practice route.

It is an important route for a cross section of users. I see families with buggies using it as it's suitable for a buggy rather than 'field' walks enabling families to walk locally in the countryside together. Also elderly people walking with or without dogs. As a health professional promoting exercise and being active at all ages is so important especially with the rising level of obesity. To have an easily accessible area for walking is very important.

Would be lost without this excellent amenity.

I use the route daily for most of the year to keep me active and walk the dog. The access to a variety of footpaths in and around the area is really useful particularly in the winter when many other paths can be submerged.

I use this route at least 3 times a week I see loads of people on this route at all times of day do not shut this route it is well used and well loved.

Hands Off This Footpath !!!!!

Lots of people use this route at weekends for a variety of reasons. Sometimes the car parks are full so many people are using it. The trouble in the countryside at the moment is people come here to see the countryside and walk or cycle not w ander around looking at new build houses that's if they can get here on the overcrow ded roads. The cycle way is lovely winter or summer with some great views over the levels and an abundance of flora and wildlife. We have only been in Langport a year and already so much has changed to be honest it would not be our preferred choice now, too many houses, too busy roads.

Why is it under threat of closure ? Whenever I go on that cyclew ay I see other people. I have never been on it alone

surely this means that it is a well used popular and easy access route for all ages and abilities.

This is a picturesque route as well as being part of the history of Langport, and is a source of relaxation for a great number of local people who enjoy the country walk or two, plus any outdoor minded tourists who might visit the area.

It is such a shame that the quality of the surface is now so poor. Probably ok on a mountain bike but for road bikes and children, verging on impassable since it is so bumpy. The signage off the road at the southern end is absent or invisible. The on-road alternatives are poor. A lot of tourists from Thorney would use this if it were better signed and maintained. I would have thought the bike hire shop in Langport would be very disappointed at its poor state. They have produced an excellent cycling route leaflet (which we follow ed) and I think all their routes u this cycleway. COME ON, YOU NEED TO HELP FOLK TO ENJOY CYCLING AND WALKING - STEP UP!

I am retired and use this route at least once a week to visit the Post Office, Library, ATM's etc. The alternatives are 1) Drive to Langport/Martock. or 2) Cycle to Martock. I love this cyclew ay for it's wildlife and tranquility. Needles to say it also offers a traffic free and safer route to Langport.

In addition to the recreational use, this path is the only path above the level of the winter floods, for those who do not want to risk their lives on the roads which have no pavements for pedestrians.

I am relatively new to the area and have only recently discovered the path despite having cycled between Langport and Muchelney on a number of occasions.

I have not observed signs for the path in either location. Their are points on the way where it is not clear how to follow the route.

The path suffers from being short and would benefit from being extended.

I have read the issues involved that threaten it,s existence and would like to know if the landow ners have to undertake maintenance.

I suggest council seek to rengotiate a low er fee.

This represents a great, green way to travel between home and Langport on a safe route away from vehicles. It would be even better if it linked Martock and Cartgate on the disused railway line opening up more commuting, recreational, tourist, and shopping opportunities.

The Somerset levels are increasingly becoming a destination for cyclists of all ages. This route is important as it takes cyclists off the road between Drayton and langport. I think trails such as this should be valued ......it should become part of a more publicised wider cycle or walking network given the increasing popularity of such activities. One only has to cycle or drive around the levels now adays to see the increased number of cyclists....this must have a great benefit for the health of the local population

It is a lovely route avoiding speeding traffic. It would be such a pity if it closed. It is safe for young families to roam without safety concerns. Please keep it for the future generations.

This is a special walk that encourages the opportunity to meet others and share stories. It supports family life and encourages family fun and family fitness. It supports general health and emotional wellbeing.

This is a fantastic amenity and allows users to access the area to link with local villages and local attractions, for example the abbey by foot.

I love this track and have used it for over 40 years, I don't understand why it is under threat. It is used by many people and is much appreciated, not misused in any way.

This is a historic section of 19th century railway embankment engineering never, as far as I am aware, overtopped by flooding, including the 2014 floods. it should be either listed as a historical structure or designated a public footpath/right of way to preserve its use and enjoyment in future.

Historic section of disused railway line that should be retained for enjoyment of future generations.

Loss of this cycle way would make getting in and out of langport via a low carbon method very difficult as there are no cycle lanes in and out of langport on any tarmac road.

Lovely facility, just wish it could be extended as no motor traffic.

Lovely facility just wish it went on for more miles as it is a motor free route.

I use this cycle way a couple times per week and always see others using it. Young children learning to ride a bike,walkers,dogs,runners. Safe and away from cattle or traffic and a good link to Muchelney.

Very useful route, always seems to be well used. Nice place to eat fish and chips !!

It's just a pity it isn't longer!

A walk with lots of benefits - traffic free, on the level, part of a circular walk, historical interest, just a great asset to the area.

Keep this route open for all users, the traffic levels are increasing around Langport, with constantly poor drivers at the wheel!!!

Beautiful walk, enjoy both with my daughter and alone with dog

Pre-retirement I was a Bikeability trainer. I worried that even though the children we trained to competently cycle on roads, including in the Langport area, would remain light bike users deterred by the lack of safe cycle routes and the concerns of their parents. With a great deal of commitment and thought, I'm sure Langport could become a cycling hub.

As a family, we feel very strongly that this valuable amenity should be preserved for the benefit of local users, but also those visiting the area. This will allow the public to access this beautiful and historic landscape safely, without fear of traffic and the associated danger, noise and pollution. It also provides access to the nature and wildlife that exists within this unique landscape. It is a great experience at any time of the year.

Rather a lot of dog mess on the walk this time. Would be good if trail could be lengthened and surface improved, so that it became an enjoyable cycle path of some distance. At present, only suitable for mountain bikes. Not worth cycling as very short ride, which means rejoining some fairly busy roads to return to base.

We often use the route in the course of a circular walk, perhaps taking in part of the Parrett Trail, or else across to Drayon/Mulchelney, concluding with a cup of coffee at Shanspeare Glass, sitting on their balcony overlooking the river. How better to enjoy the lovely country?

It is an important access to the countryside away from roads. North Moor is another important area especially as Langport doesn't have a park. The foot path could be extended for similar reasons to those given above.

It would be a great shame if this wasn't maintained