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Dear Resident

At its meeting on the 29th May 2012, Redditch Borough Council agreed to implement a Gating Order for the closure of the footpath between Crabbs Cross Lane and St Peter's Close at specific times agreed by local residents. This Gating Order has been made by Worcestershire County Council as the highway authority for a period of 5 years as a pilot project.

In implementing the Gating Order, Redditch Borough Council asks residents to note the following information:-

- Funding for the Pilot Scheme has been provided by Redditch Community Safety Partnership (CSP) and Worcestershire County Council (WCC) for a period of 5 years from installation. Redditch Borough Council has not been required to contribute to the funding for the scheme.
- All costs for the pilot project, including installation, maintenance and operation of the gates for the whole 5 year period will be met from the project funding provided by Redditch CSP and WCC.
- Once installed the gates will be closed and secured between 18:00 pm and 7:00 am every Friday and Saturday evening for the period of the Order, as negotiated and agreed with local residents, businesses and other interested parties.
- To ensure safe and appropriate operation of the gates, responsibility for securing and re-opening the footpath will be undertaken by a registered security company for the period of the Order.
- It is intended that after the period of 5 years, Worcestershire County Council will review the Order and the parties will consider any future arrangements for the operation and maintenance of the gate after that time, including decommissioning and removal, depending on the circumstances at that time and availability of funding.
- In relation to all other functions and aspects of the footpath, responsibility remains with Worcestershire County Council as the highway authority

If you require any further information regarding the implementation of this Gating Order, please contact the Community Safety Team at communitysafety@redditchbc.gov.uk

Yours faithfully

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