

29 properties	RESPONSES SUPPORTING A "ROAD-BLOCK" ON GREAT PARKS.
LP	<p>As a long-term resident of Little Parks I am absolutely appalled by the Bewley Homes proposed development.</p> <p>My house is [REDACTED]. I wholeheartedly agree with the suggestion that vehicle access should be blocked at the top of Great Parks hopefully stopping Great Parks/Little Parks being used as a 'rat run'.</p> <p>Many children play out in the Little Parks and Great Parks area and the thought of the traffic the proposed development would create is absolutely horrifying.</p> <p>At school drop of times many parents drive and park in Little Parks to walk their children to the school via the Crandon Lea entrance. . I cannot even imagine the chaos if Bewley homes traffic was permitted to drive through Little Parks as well.</p> <p>I would certainly support the decision to create a cul de sac for Little Parks, Great Parks and Crandon Lea.</p> <p>We chose to live in Holt because it was a village. Why are these large urban sites being allowed to spoil it.</p>
GP	<p>I am writing in connection with the proposed blocking of Great Parks close to the Bewley Homes new entrance.</p> <p>Our concerns were also that a "rat run" would be created and of course that is something I would imagine everybody would wish to avoid. Although the proposed block would make it a little less convenient for us to set off towards Melksham, this in our opinion is completely outweighed by the lack of a "rat run". Therefore, we are wholly in favour of creating the block.</p> <p>I am also concerned about the junction of Great Parks and Melksham Road once the development is completed as it will obviously become extremely busy and possibly dangerous at peak times. I feel that consideration of a roundabout or traffic lights would be advantageous or even better to have the entrance to the new development further along directly onto Melksham Road also controlled by lights or a roundabout. This last option would also not require the Great Parks block.</p>
LP	<p>My husband and I are fully in agreement to the proposal to stop Great Parks and Little Parks becoming a "rat run" and in effect creating a cu de sac.</p>
GP	<p>I have just read the letter outlining the proposal to block vehicular through-access south of the entrance to the new Bewley development. The impact of the new access point via the residential Great Parks route on safety and health has always been a concern for myself. Therefore, this proposal would go a long way to mitigate this impact. Accordingly, we are highly supportive of this proposed change</p>
GP	<p>We are writing to you to register our concern at the level of construction traffic that is likely to pass through Great Parks during the expected construction / development in the adjacent field. Further, we would like to register our support for the plan to create a vehicle block at the far end of Great Parks (close to the proposed new entrance to the new development). We believe that this would prevent Great Parks from becoming a rat run for traffic both to and from the new development. Having being residents of Great Parks for 25 years, we are already concerned that increases in traffic will increase noise and pollution levels. With many of the residents being young families, we are also concerned that the safety of children is not diminished.</p> <p>We would be interested in remaining engaged in supporting this initiative</p>
GP	<p>We live on Great Parks - [REDACTED]</p> <p>We are in favour of the proposed vehicle block on Great Parks.</p> <p>For the 10 years that we have lived here, Great Parks has been a lovely road where children ride their bikes, villagers walk their dogs, children walk/scoot/cycle to school and neighbours gather. I fear otherwise that Great Parks and Little Parks will become the 'rat run' and traffic will most likely increase dramatically. Why should we suffer and sacrifice our lovely road for</p>

	<p>the hundreds of people that may live on the new site? We wish to retain as much of this lovely area that we live in as possible....and most importantly, keep our children safe.</p> <p>Very much in favour.</p>
LP	<p>Thanks for your letter regarding highways proposal for Great Parks. I live at ■ little parks and agree that blocking vehicle access is a very good idea.</p> <p>Thanks for your letter regarding highways proposal for Great Parks. I live at ■ little parks and agree that blocking vehicle access is a very good idea.</p>
GP	<p>I am in complete agreement with the proposal to block vehicle access at the top of Great Parks. This would keep Little Parks, Great Parks and Crandon Lea a quiet area which has always been the case. I have lived here for 38 years and enjoyed the lack of traffic and the relative quiet of living in a village.</p>
LP	<p>Referring to your suggestion to place a barrier to block vehicles at the top of Great Parks, this is absolutely necessary to ensure the safety of residents in Great Parks and Little Parks and I thoroughly agree with this suggestion. This route to date has been a quiet road in which families and children walk and ride to the local school. To leave this route open would create a very dangerous rat run, especially with the number of lorries and large vehicles which would easily take this route.</p> <p>Unfortunately, if the Wiltshire roads department had agreed to let the new development direct access to the main road originally then none of this would have been necessary</p> <p>Instead, by allowing this development access to Great Parks road instead of the main road, they have created a very dangerous precedent and therefore unfortunately the only way to handle this is to allow this area to become a cul de sac.</p> <p>In addition - either at the end of Little Parks onto the road or where access is given to Great Parks by the main road we will need a traffic light.</p> <p>A roundabout will not work as giving way to the right from Little Parks will ensure a steady stream of traffic thereby cutting off all access during busy periods from Little Parks to the main road. Alternatively even a pedestrian crossing perhaps to break up the flow of traffic at the busiest time.</p> <p>P.S. We would like to request that Wiltshire council looks more carefully at possible danger zones when allowing new developments to take place. Already because of the recent changes on the main road going through Holt, it has become a much more dangerous area by the bus stop and the shop.</p> <p>The road narrows there and already there have been a few near misses. You cannot park on both sides of the road and allow two traffic streams to pass each other, especially if it is buses. There is no notice to motorists to slow down before they reach this section coming from the Bradford on Avon side.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration to the above.</p>
GP	<p>I wish to support the proposal for a vehicle block near the top of Great Parks, effectively turning it into a cul de sac. I think this is an excellent idea and would allay the fears of the residents that it will become a rat run for the new development. I also think it would enhance this area making it safer for children, dog walkers, other pedestrians and cyclists.</p>
GP	<p>You have 2 votes in favour for placing a road block in Great Parks to stop the estate being a rat run, this coming from one of the last remaining original residents when Great Parks was 1st built in the late 60's</p>
GP	<p>We hereby express our support for a vehicle block on Great Parks, immediately to the south of the current Bewley site entrance.</p> <p>Kind regards</p>
CL	<p>I live in Crandon Lea and would like to express my support for the proposal to block vehicle access on Great Parks just before the proposed entrance to the Bewley Homes development.</p>

	<p>We have serious concerns about Little Parks and Great Parks becoming a "rat run" particularly for people accessing the school. Also, the increased pedestrian traffic through Crandon Lea as we are responsible for the maintenance of the paved footpath.</p> <p>If the residents of Great Parks are happy with the proposal I would think it was an excellent solution.</p> <p>Yours sincerely</p>
LP	<p>If common sense does not prevail and the development's vehicular access remains in Great Parks, then I would be in favour of blocking vehicles from using the Little Parks exit onto the B3107.</p> <p>Yours Faithfully</p>
GP	<p>I agree to the proposal put forward it makes sense to block the vehicle access at Great Parks Little Parks and Crandon Lea and is worth further discussion. You have my full support in going forward with this proposal.</p>
GP	<p>We wish to advise you of our 100% support for a vehicle block at Great Parks in light of the new Bewley Homes development.</p> <p>We are concerned about pedestrian and cyclist safety and the pick-up point for our village students as well as the walk to the preschool and primary school.</p> <p>The road at Great and Little Parks is very narrow and the residents there juggle their own parking between them as mindful not to block off the street, a rat run for more vehicles would no be manageable!!!</p> <p>We also have to consider the planning proposals for a further new development directly across from the Bewley Homes site, that will also affect the amount of vehicles using Great and Little Parks as a rat run.</p> <p>Regards</p>
GP	<p>In reply to your letter concerning the proposal to put a vehicle block in place below the proposed entrance of the new housing development in Great Parks by Bewley Homes.</p> <p>We are in favour of a vehicle block being put in place to avoid our road turning into a Rat Run for the new houses being built.</p> <p>This would offer the residents of Great Parks a degree of quiet from the traffic, and also add a protection to the children going to Holt School .</p>
18	<p>I think that the idea of a vehicle block at the top of Great Parks is a good proposal.</p> <p>It would make access to and from the proposed Bewley homes development much safer for cars, cyclists and pedestrians.</p>
GP	<p>In response to your letter outlining a possible vehicle access block at the top of Great Parks, we would support such a proposal. We feel that it would have no adverse effects on our access requirements. It would have the potential to limit the amount of traffic from the Bewley Homes development driving through Great Parks, improving safety for existing residents, particularly those with children. It would also provide a safer walking/cycling route to Holt School for parents and children from the new development.</p>
LP	<p>In response to the recent flier to residents of Little Parks, Great Parks and Crandon Leigh here are our thoughts—</p> <p>We are very much in favour of a "Vehicle Block " being placed outside no.4 Great Parks in order to —</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prevent Bewley Homes vehicles encroaching on Great Parks ++ 2. Allowing residents to benefit from a " cul de sac " 3. To show some resistance to the development by making a statement. 4. To keep the area clean and tidy 5. The block if permanent would force the " new occupiers " of Bewley Homes <p>to only be able to walk or cycle thro' Great Parks ++ and not drive.</p> <p>Thank you for carrying out this survey for thoughts of residents.</p>
LP	<p>I support the proposal to block the road at Great Parks and restrict the additional traffic from the Bewley Homes development. I do feel that the design of the highway into the Bewley Homes development was rushed,</p>

	<p>based on poor traffic data, and is poor design. With no option to review the new access, additional road restrictions will at least maintain the safe road space on the existing estate.</p> <p>As a [REDACTED] I make the following suggestions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Parish Council should consider including a removable barrier within the roadblock, which the fire brigade could access; there are fire hydrants south of the roadblock, which would serve No 2 and No 3 as well as the substation. • The County Council would likely want to move the vehicle barrier south to enable emergency service vehicles to respond to an incident at No 4 or near the new entrance. • The district network operator of the substation would be a statutory consultee of the proposed roadblock. Good access through Little Parks and Great Parks remains for any future works by the DNO, and this should be included in the initial proposal to the CC. • Some consideration will be needed to accommodate the roadblock and the new service connections to the Bewley site, marked in red. • One idea worth considering is locating the roadblock at the substation's southern edge and formalising the road's current use as a car-sharing facility. <p>I look forward to supporting the final proposal with the County Council.</p>
CL	<p>Thank you for the opportunity to comment upon the suggestion that Great Parks/Little Parks/Crandon Lea could become a 'cul de sac'.</p> <p>We think this is a very original idea and one which we would support. We are residents in Crandon Lea but we had been concerned about the possibility of Great Parks/Little Parks becoming a convenient rat run. Possible disadvantages to the plan might be increased traffic down the Little Parks road at certain times of the day if the Bewley Homes residents find it convenient to drive down there to drop their children off for school; and the need to keep an eye on parking at the top of Little Parks and immediately opposite on the main road. But there must be ways to accommodate these possible snags.</p> <p>Thank you again for all you are doing for the village</p>
LP	<p>Preferred Option - Closure and Calming/Discouraging</p> <p>Three closure locations have merit:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Near the new entrance to the Bewley site, so it is visible from the Bewley entrance and the main road; 2. By 3 Great Parks – this provides easy turn-arounds for vehicles on both sides of the closure; 3. At the juncture of Great Parks and Little Parks, where the small green areas can be converted into a turning head. This also better balances the lengths of culs-de-sac, and simplifies access to addresses; Great Parks is approached one way off the main road, Little Parks another way. <p>With any of the closure options, the traffic calming offsets should also be created.</p> <p>We support action being taken now, ahead of the Bewley site being developed and occupied.</p>
LP	<p><u>Vehicle block would bring substantial benefits to residents of both Little Parks and Great Parks.</u></p> <p>I feel very strongly that a vehicle block as proposed in the consultative letter sent by the Parish Council has the potential to benefit residents of both Great and Little Parks. I would urge you to contact the Parish Council and express your support.</p> <p>By blocking the road there would be a reduction in overall traffic for residents in both Little and Great Parks. We don't need to delay and spend money on a traffic survey to prove it. Planning permission has been agreed for 90 new homes with access at the top of Great Parks. Given the reasonable assumption that each property might have 2 cars on average, then up to 180 vehicles would be seeking to leave/enter the new development at peak</p>

times. With access onto the Melksham Road impeded (no improvements to the existing intersection were agreed as part of planning permission), the logical consequence is that both Great Parks and Little Parks will become a rat run for new residents! Any additional traffic movements from existing Great Parks residents through Little Parks would be limited given that there are less than 30 properties.

Stopping traffic from the new development would help to reduce noise and pollution for everyone. With less traffic passing through, the risk to children who catch the St Laurence School bus and those using Little Parks to walk to both the Preschool and Holt School would be much reduced. The impact for emergency vehicles would be minimal.

If the Parish Council progressed this proposal, the cost to Holt residents would be insignificant. This is a "Highways" issue. Funding responsibility therefore rests with Wiltshire Council.

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Peter Thomas

10 Little Parks

I agree to all the above written by Peter Thomas
I would like to add my name to his proposal

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LP

Ref: Bewley Homes Development.

I fully agree with the proposal
to block access to

Great Parks

Little Parks

Crandon Lea

You have my full support

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Yes, yes, yes. A great idea

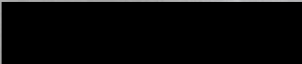
Signed



GP

Yours sincerely,
Holt Parish Council

Hi Lisa

A vehicle block would be better to stop a
rat run for vehicles.  Great Parks


LP

Holt Parish Council letterbox at the Village Hall or to Councillor Lisa Wickes at 13 Little Par

Yours sincerely,
Holt Parish Council

I AM FOR THIS PROPOSAL.

GP

 Great Parks.

For the attention of the Parish Council re
"Great Parks."

I would like to register my response to
the letter from the Parish Council.

I have always thought the Bewley Homes
Development and Wiltshire Council have been
wrong in dismissing the very real safety
concerns of those living in Great and Little
Parks.

I would therefore welcome the block to
vehicular access from the new estate via Great
and Little Parks.

Surely the safety of all should be
paramount in decisions involving new estates
of a large number of houses?!



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CL	<p>Thank you for your letter about the proposal to block vehicle access to Great Parks from the Melksham end by placing a vehicle barrier in Great Parks just after the entrance to the new development.</p> <p>We are fully in support of this proposal, not only in preventing the 'rat run' scenario, but also to prevent traffic coming round the corner beyond the new entrance at speed and creating a significant risk for pedestrians and oncoming vehicles.</p> <p>As residents of Crandon Lea, we use the Little Parks entry as we find the Great Parks from the Melksham end to be an awkward turn with limited visibility and restricting the use of this junction to residents living in that section of Great Parks will be beneficial for all.</p> <p>Thank you for all the work and careful consideration of these proposals which has been carried out by the Parish Council.</p>
GP	<p>With reference to your letter re Vehicle block – Great Parks.</p> <p>I agree that making our road a cul de sac would be an excellent idea and I sincerely hope that the Highways dept will approve of this suggestion. It is already dangerous when you swing into Great Parks from the main road and cars are parked close to the junction. It pushes you onto the wrong side of the road and potentially into oncoming traffic. This can only get worse with the increased traffic that will result from the development.</p>
GP	<p>Thank you for your recent notification re the above.</p> <p>I live at Great Parks and I think blocking vehicle access at the top of Great Parks is an excellent suggestion. I and my close neighbours are dreading the likely "rat run" resulting from the Bewley development. I would be very happy to use just the Little Parks entrance and exit to access my property which, in any case, is a much safer way in and out than the Great Parks much narrower access.</p> <p>A resounding YES to a good common sense solution.</p>