

**Date:** Thursday 28 March 2024  
**Time:** 4.00pm  
**Meeting Room:** Waitākere Ranges Local Board Office  
**Venue:** 39 Glenmall Place  
 Glen Eden

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## Waitākere Ranges Local Board

### OPEN MINUTE ITEM ATTACHMENTS

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# O'Neills Road Level Crossing Closure Update

Deputation to Waitakere / Henderson-  
Massey Local Boards

**February 2024**

Graham Petrie on behalf of 'Keep  
O'Neills Road Crossing'



# Background

We are Swanson residents who believe the proposed closure of the O’Neills Road pedestrian level crossing will have significant negative impacts on the community.

Auckland Transport have not sufficiently assessed the negative impacts.

Above all else, we are focussed on safety and the closure ignores the risks posed by the alternative routes and focusses only on the risks of crossing the railway which we believe can be mitigated without closure (e.g. automatic gates or grade separation).

In May/June of last year we presented our case to retain the crossing to the Waitakere Ranges and Henderson-Massey Local Boards



# Summary of key arguments

| AT's reasons for closing the crossing  |   |
|--|---|
| Our reasons for retaining the crossing | <p><b>Safety</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Increased train frequency due to CRL</li><li>• Increased population</li><li>• Gates can be bypassed</li></ul> <p><b>Legal Requirements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Railways Act requirement to prioritise safety</li></ul> |

| Our reasons for retaining the crossing |  |
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|  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>1. Safety risks of alternative routes</b></li><li><b>2. Severing of the community by the tracks</b></li><li><b>3. Reduced accessibility esp. for mobility users</b></li><li><b>4. Environmental impact misaligns with the Transport Emissions Reduction Plan</b></li><li><b>5. Misalignment with the AT Alignment Project</b></li></ol> |





















































































































































































































































