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Dear Elizabeth and Parish Council for Lyneham and Bradenstoke,

I hope this letter finds you well.

It has come to my attention that there is an application proposal for a footpath diversion of Lyneham 30 that connects Preston Lane with Lower Preston Lane.

I live at Hales Lodge at the Preston Lane end of the current footpath entrance. So considering my location, I am directly affected by the diversion.

I would like to let you all know, that I fully support the idea of the proposed diversion.

Since living here for 3 years, I have witnessed joggers and dogs not on leads bounce out of the hedge to the entrance of my driveway. One jogger in particular has earphones in and jumps right out of the opening at speed, onto my driveway.

Having earphones in prevents him from hearing a car turning into the driveway from Preston Lane and would have likely collided with a vehicle.

Fortunately, there was no vehicles turning in at the time. He continues to do this on a daily/weekly basis, and I am concerned that one day there may be an accident with a jogger or dog.

After careful consideration of the proposal, I would see a benefit in safety if the opening didn't come out onto my driveway. Instead opening some 30m away along the wide verge, would give me clear visibility of any pedestrians when entering/exiting my driveway.

I know of other Preston residents that support the proposal, and that also see the safety concern benefits of this proposal.

Kind regards,  
John (Hales Lodge, Preston)