

Dear All,

Yesterday afternoon the County Council's Policy Committee decided that where possible all County Council owned/managed Green Spaces will be closed, in line with the Country Parks, to discourage people from congregating and therefore to reduce the spread of the Coronavirus. In the case of the Southwell Trail this will mean the closure of the car parks at Kirklington, Farnsfield and Bilsthorpe (Southwell already being closed). Given that the car parks do not have barriers it will take a little time to facilitate physical blocking off of the car parks. I have indicated that pedestrian access and access to domestic properties that share our access roads should be maintained.

In this case the Trail itself will remain open as it is a public bridleway and there is, at the current time, no suggestion that Public Rights of Way should be closed. Therefore, I have been instructed to continue with my programme of site safety inspections unless told otherwise. If you choose to use the Trail for your daily exercise and find anything unsafe please do not hesitate to contact me as I am working my usual hours from home.

Yours sincerely,