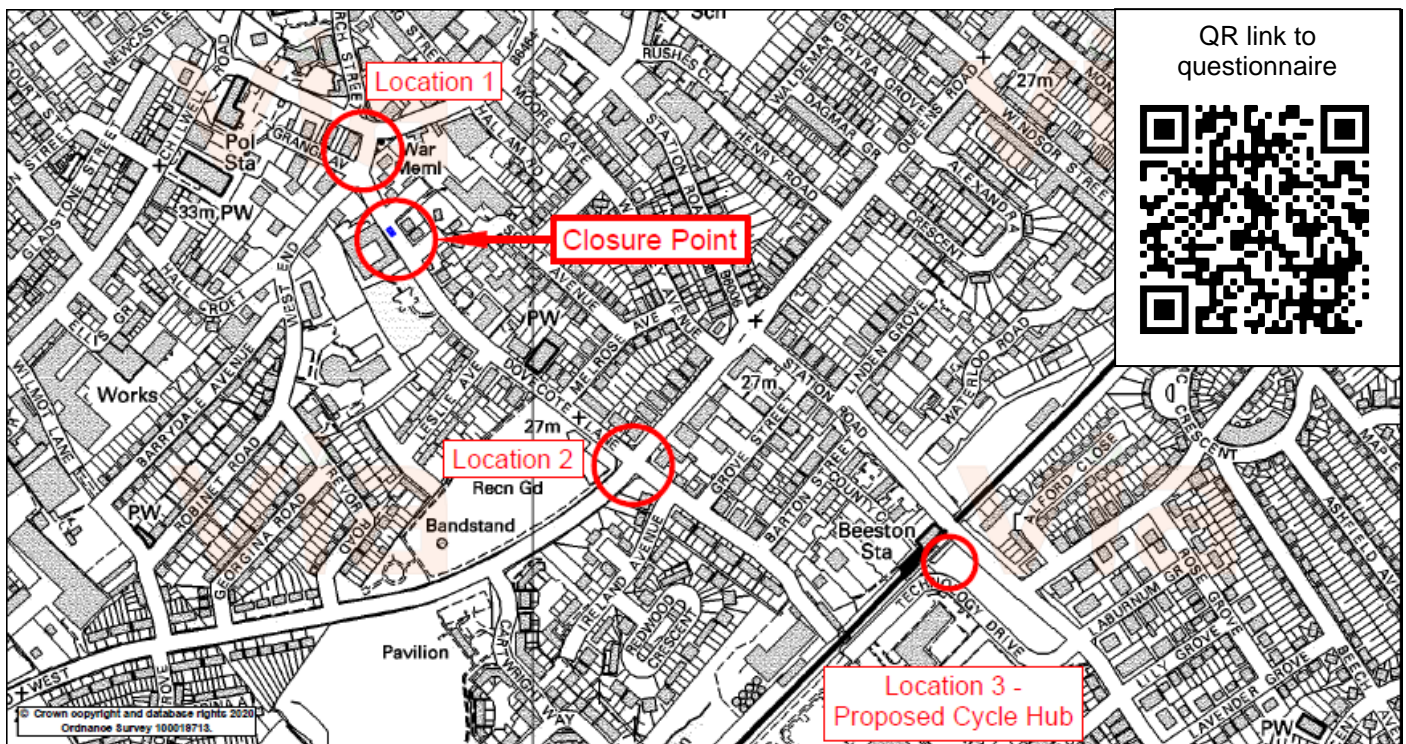


### ACTIVE TRAVEL FUND - DOVECOTE LANE, BEESTON

The Active Travel Fund (ATF) has been created by the Department for Transport (DfT) as part of its Covid-19 response, for local authorities to bid for funding for active travel schemes. The purpose of the fund is to implement interventions that make cycling and walking safer during the pandemic with a view to embedding walking and cycling as part of long-term commuting habits. Schemes funded by the ATF will support social distancing in the short-term and offer significant long-term health, environmental and congestion benefits.

Nottinghamshire County Council has been successful in securing funding for several potential cycle and footway improvement schemes across the county and to implement behavioural change measures within these local areas. The proposed scheme in Beeston will close Dovecote Lane to all vehicular through-traffic, at a point approximately 95m south of its junction with B6464 Middle Street. A planter, located on Dovecote Lane at the closure point, will physically prevent the route being used as a through-route for vehicles. Access along the route for pedestrians and cyclists will be retained, with gaps to each side of the planter to facilitate this. The closure will provide a quiet route for cyclists and link the A6005 / NCN6 cycle route to the town centre and wider cycle network. As part of the scheme additional secure cycling parking will be installed at Beeston Railway Station.



Before proceeding further, we are inviting observations and comments on the proposals. These can be submitted via the questionnaire <https://consult.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/dovecotelane> or by writing to the address below.

Please ensure your response is submitted by **7th March 2021**; the replies will support the decision-making process. If you would like to find out more about how your data will be used, please see Nottinghamshire County Council's and Via East Midlands's privacy notices <https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/global-content/privacy> and [www.viaem.co.uk/privacy-notice-for-the-public/](http://www.viaem.co.uk/privacy-notice-for-the-public/)

Further information on the Active Travel Fund is available on the County Council's consultation website [consult.nottinghamshire.gov.uk](http://consult.nottinghamshire.gov.uk), and by writing to the address below or calling 0115 804 0545 to request a copy of the plans.

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