



Reference: FOI2977

**Request:**

Antisocial behaviour Backworth Court - Public Right of Way Closure request:

All documentation that North Tyneside Council hold in connection with Backworth Court and specifically that pathway.

All documentation held by NTC on previous successful closures to public rights of way within North Tyneside.

**Response from Community Protection Team:**

A number of complaints were received through the Mayor's office regarding youths congregating in the area causing concerns around anti-social behaviour, drinking alcohol and littering. The pathways had a temporary fence erected to prevent access to the area. Northumbria Police were able to identify a number of youths and a joint initiative with Northumbria Police and North Tyneside Council Community Protection Team was carried out on 18th September. This initiative was called Operation Respect and 18 properties were visited and the parents of the children involved were issued with Legal Action Warning Letters. An operation was also carried out between Nexus, Northumbria Police and North Tyneside Council called Operation Hermes where staff travelled on the metro system to prevent and stop any disorder, this included Northumberland Park Metro.

It is not possible to provide copies of any reports/warning notice documents under GDPR, as these all contain personal data relating to individual perpetrators and or their families.

**Response from Planning** - see attached word document

**Response from Highways** - See attached word document with all correspondence held regarding the Right of Way.

Also attached - 2 signed orders where we have closed public rights of way.

The Wideopen closure was in relation to permanent works undertaken on the A1 structure and the PRoW was closed and diverted nearby to an alternative route that was more easily accessible.

The second closure was in Forest Hall and it was closed as it was no longer needed. This is understood to be because the access from Great Lime Road was no longer viable therefore the PRoW served no purpose.