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## **United Utilities proposals**

## **OPTION 1**

My husband and I absolutely and vehemently object to Option 1 with huge vehicles using Grindleton Bridge and going through Chatburn.

There are already 6+ large buses which go back and forth twice everyday to Bowland Academy during school terms add to that the buses, tractors and other heavier traffic that use the route and it is already very busy. A person can regularly be held up trying to cross the bridge as well as trying to get in and out of Ribble Lane at the Chatburn junction which is already very very busy given the SPAR/Post Office and butchers. There is simply not room for the United Utilities vehicles either by size or volume.

We also object to the road widening plans in Option 1which would destroy our countryside environment and quiet country lanes. We walk and cycle along the road between Grindleton and West Bradford regularly and the route is used by local cycling clubs and ramblers as well as teenagers doing the Duke of Edinburgh Award. As you well know, there are no sidewalks for pedestrians.

When the council is so against the removal of stone walls by residents wanting parking it beggars belief that RVBC would countenance the wholesale destruction of walls and hedges to accommodate United Utilities who have little interest in our villages and environment.

I wonder if RVBC have even considered the flooding common in winter at Grindleton Bridge and the road between Grindleton and West Bradford - likely not!

We note you are monitoring traffic going back and forth the across Grindleton Bridge do you think we are stupid not to realise that you are doing this during the school holidays? You are going to give us spurious data to justify using Option 1 should it come to it. Obviously and clearly traffic is lighter during school holidays as there are no buses nor parents taking their children to school to Bowland or Grindleton.

It is absolutely unconscionable to suggest Option 1 - No! No! No!

OPTION 2 - is clearly and unequivocally the choice for United Utilities vehicles to cross the river. Its not rocket science after all!

## Regards

