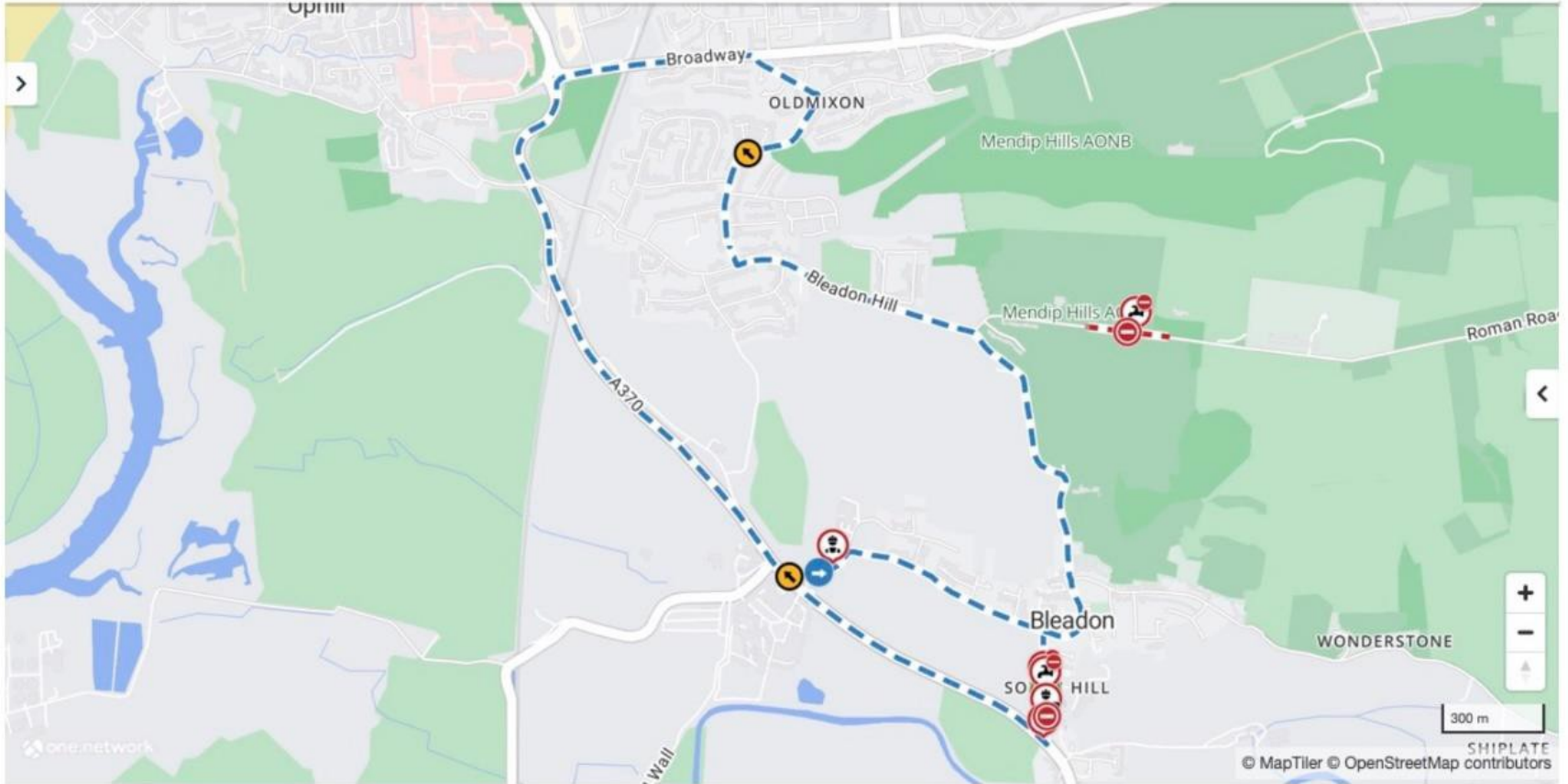
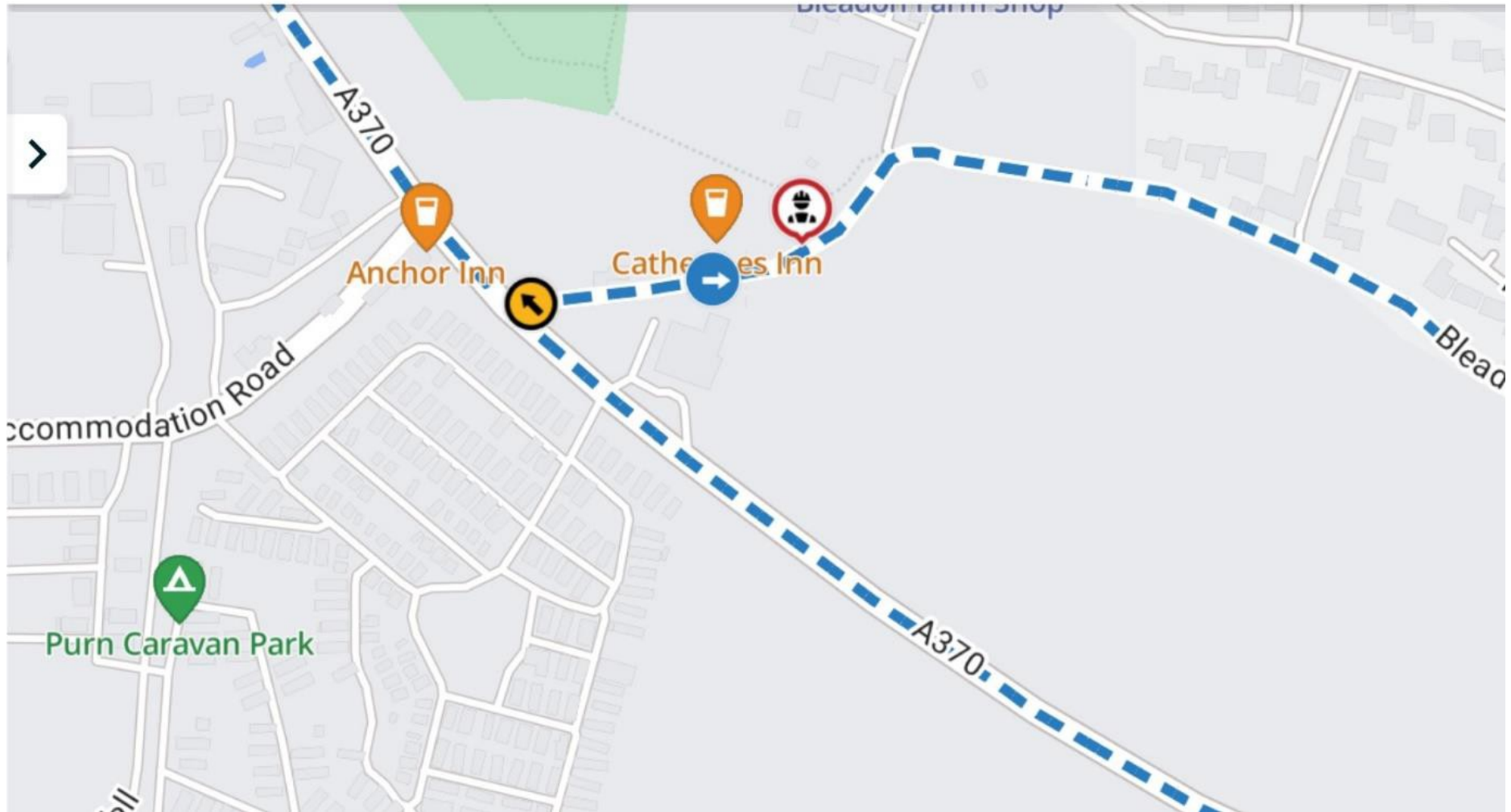


## SOME FEEDBACK

- school pickup/drop off, serious danger of children crossing the road
- we can discuss issues but will NSC listen?
- passing vehicles on narrow road, some maneuvers requiring large vehicles reversing up/down hill (collision concerns)
- traffic causing extra pedestrian issues as no footpath
- traffic signs at Queens Arms/Celtic Way/Shiplate Road junction forcing cars out into the middle of road in both directions (collision concerns)
- Celtic Way and Bleadon Hill grass verges being churned up
- potential damage to people's property at the edges of the narrow road
- Traffic speeding through Bleadon Hill and Celtic Way
- loss of businesses (incl Bridge Road, Jeff Brown petrol stations/shop services, Brent Farm) - clarity of one way needed
- timescales needed to be confirmed
- mid winter snow and dangerous icy conditions (slipping and gritting issues)
- there are weight restrictions, how can large vehicles go over the hill via Celtic Way and Totterdown Lane?
- traffic problems exaserbated by current road closures on Roman Road and Celtic Way
- increased traffic through the lanes in/out via Shiplate Road (incl from Cheddar/Axbridge direction up/down Celtic Way)





## Statement from North Somerset Council

The reason the council have suggested a one way system between Bleadon Road junction and Purn Way is because of the concerns raised by Bleadon Parish Council about the increase in traffic at the Bleadon Road junction due to the Bridge Road closure. Unfortunately multi way lights on this junction cannot be accommodated due to tree works due to take place on Bridgwater Road between 22 January to 1 February 2024. The tree works will be carried out under temporary lights and will follow on from the temporary traffic lights planned for the Bridge Road junction from 15 -19 January 2024. This means there are already temporary traffic lights on the A370 from 15 January to 2 February 2024 (*subsequently extended to 9<sup>th</sup> February*). Having another set of multiple sets of lights in close proximity to each other, on a busy route so close to the hospital, will have a substantial impact on the wider area. Therefore, after careful consideration, there is no other option other than to trial the one way system proposed. We have listened to local concerns and answered all of the queries put forward by the parish on your behalf, however, the one way system is a temporary measure and, whilst it may add extra time to journeys and cause some disruption, the alternative of multi way lights would have a significantly greater impact. We are sorry for any disruption that this may cause you and will continue to monitor the situation throughout the duration of the works.

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<https://forms.n-somerset.gov.uk/report-request/form/customerenquiry#/1>

## **Statement from Edenstone**

The duration of the road works is 8 weeks, however we are going to open up sections of Bridge road asap once the trenches have been back filled. We do not have a programme of works from the service company but are guessing it will be 4 weeks work where the road will be back open up to our site entrance where the closure will stay.

Our original proposal was traffic lights at the end of Bridge road with a diversion via Bleadon Road, the parish had concerns there was no traffic lights at the Bleadon road junction and asked us about putting them there, which we agreed to. We put this forward to NSC which got declined because they didn't want two sets of lights on the A370 due to this being the main road to the hospital and proximity to another junction.

We are working very closely with suppliers and our contractors to limit deliveries where possible throughout this closure.

We contacted NSC after our meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> December, the only response we had back was regarding weight limits.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused by our development and look forward to getting these very necessary works completed.

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