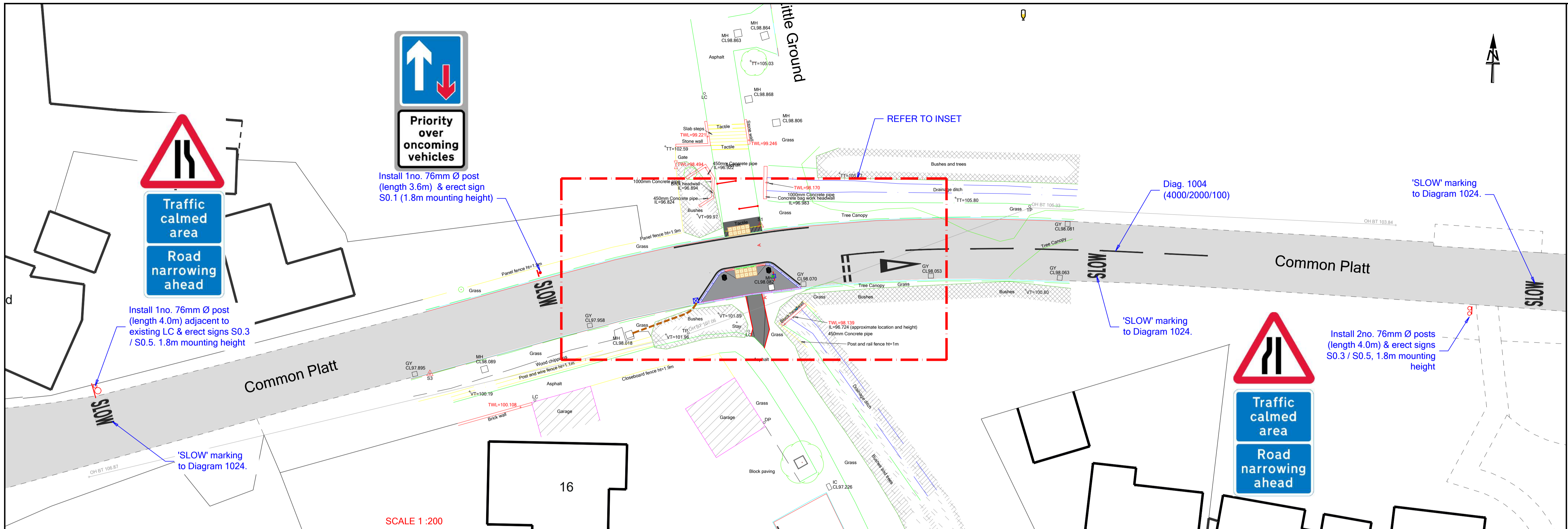


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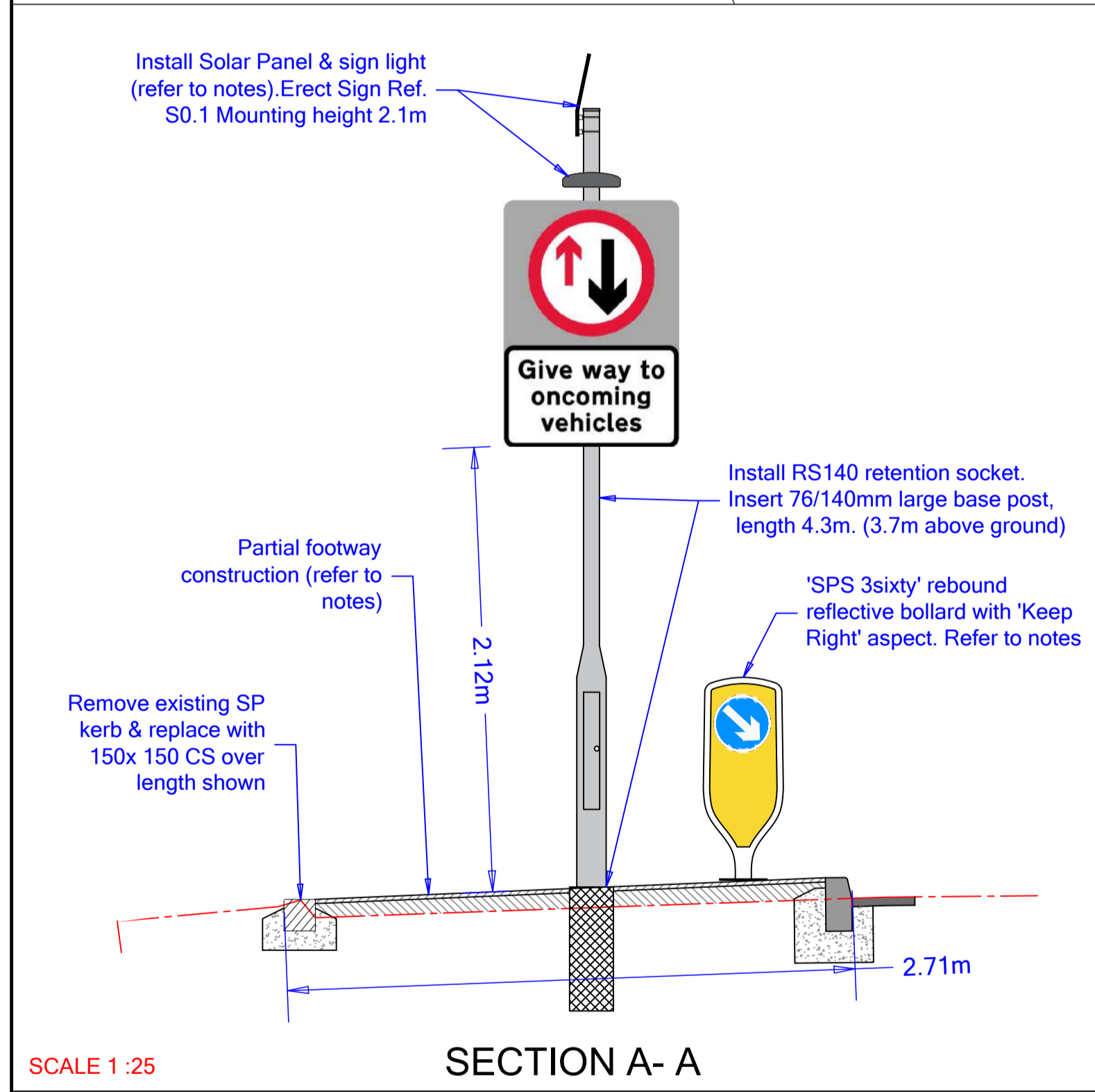
I wanted to give you an update on the LHFIG schemes in the Lydiard Millicent area. PDFs attached for reference only.

1. **Common Platt** - Build out and priority working – Substantive bid successful. Street lighting design work being completed. Delivery late 2025.
2. **B4696 Braydon Road** - Warning signs and 'SLOW' markings / yellow bars complete. Directions sign to 'Four Oaks park' complete. Access markings outstanding but will be completed soon.
3. **C414 Greenhill Crossroads** – Road surface repairs complete at junction. Give way lines on Greenhill side brought forward to increase visibility. New SLOW markings & yellow bars installed on both C414 north & south approaches. Advert for extension of 30mph limit to be issued by end of May. Speed limit, new gateway and remaining sign work to be completed by late summer.

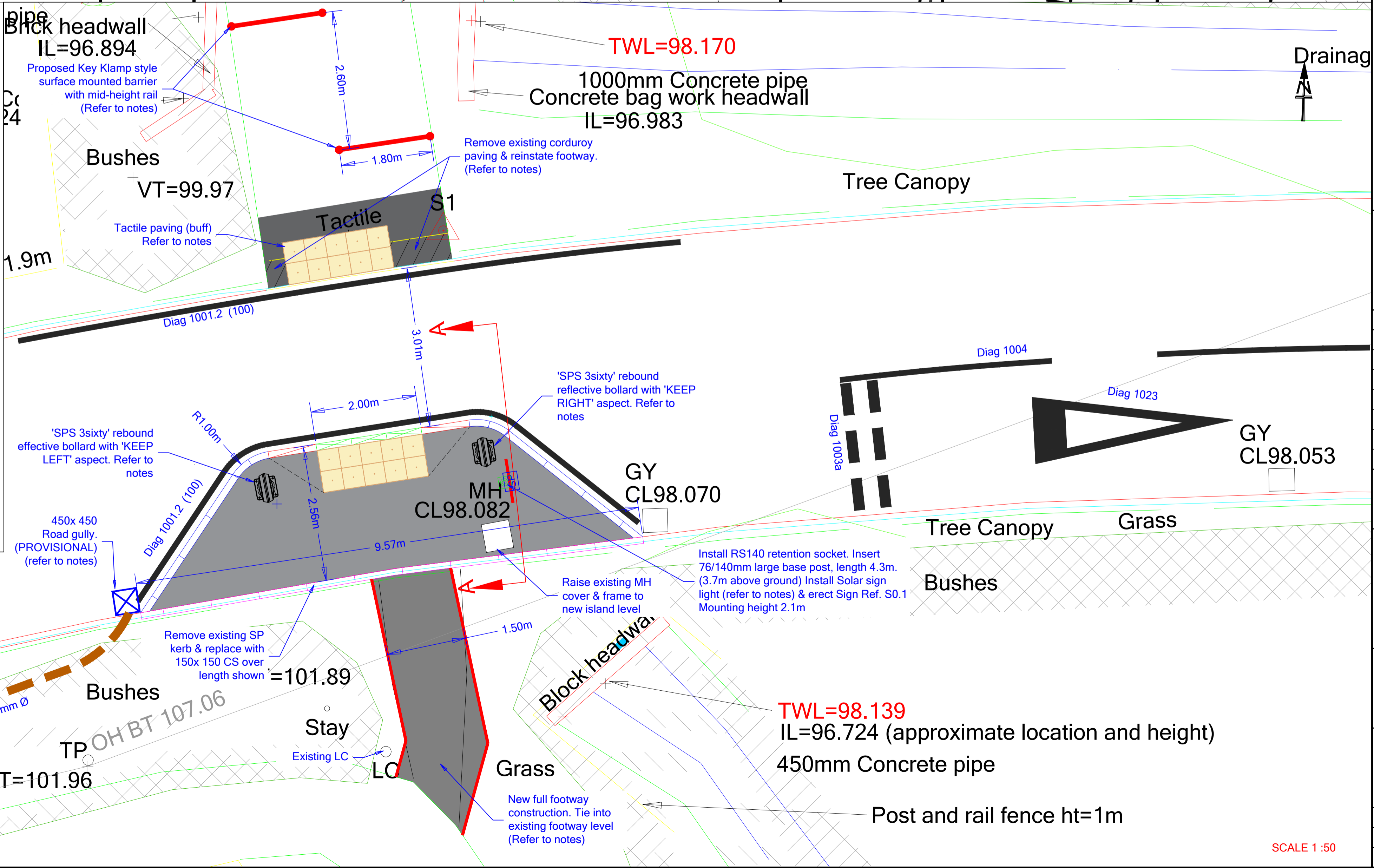
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- NOTES:
- 125 x 255 HB2 Pre-cast concrete kerb.Radius specified where applicable
 - 125 x 150 BN Pre-cast concrete kerb
 - 125 / 255 / 150 DL1 /DR1 Pre-cast kerb
 - 150 x 150 CS Pre-cast channel
 - 150 x 50 EF Pre-cast concrete edging
 - Remove existing footway surface up to 100 mm thick & replace with AC 6 dense surf (100/150) 20 mm thick. AC 20 dense bin (40/60) 80mm thick.
 - Overlay carriageway surface with AC 6 dense surf (100/150) 20 mm thick. AC 20 dense bin (40/60) 80mm thick. Finished surface levels to be modified to form new drop crossing point. Cross fall must not exceed 1 in 12
 - Full footway construction consisting of AC 6 dense surf (100/150) 20 mm thick. AC 20 dense bin (40/60) 80mm thick. Type 1 unbound mixture sub base 150mm thick
 - SPS 3Sixty self righting bollard (anchor Cage fitting) 1no. with 'Keep Left' Aspect and 1no. with 'Keep Right' aspect. Black
 - 400 x 400 x 50mm tactile paving 'Buff' laid on compacted 5:1 sharp sand / cement grit mix 50mm thick.
 - PROVISIONAL ITEM - Plastic trapped gully with 750mm deep, 450 x 450mm D400 grating and frame
 - NAL RS140 retention socket (Un-illuminated) 600mm planting depth with 600x 600 x 520mm ST4 concrete foundation.
 - TMP Alpha Solar Sign light / Solar Panel to be fitted to 140/76mm large base post, total length 4300mm. Tel TMP 0208 744 8201. Installation instructions to be provided and unit installed by Milestone Street Lighting.
 - 'KEE Systems' pedestrian barrier consisting of 60.3mm O/D X 3.6mm Galvanised Tube. 2no. barriers installed in staggered arrangement each 1.8m wide by 1.0m high, with mid height horizontal rail. Base plate mounted.Tel 01384 632188

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COMMON PLATT
LYDIARD MILLICENT

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& PRIORITY WORKING

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Example of Edge of Carriageway marking across entrance

Install SLOW marking (2800) with Yellow transverse bars. Refer to DETAIL 1



Remove existing Sign & post. Install 2no. 76mm Ø posts, length 3.6m at 500mm centres. Erect sign Ref S0.1 Mounting height 1.5m

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Install 2no. 76mm Ø posts, length 2.6m at 300mm centres. Erect signs Ref S0.4/ S0.5 back to back. Mounting height 1.5m



1. Install edge of Carriageway marking to Diagram 1010

DETAIL 1 - 'SLOW' marking with transverse bars

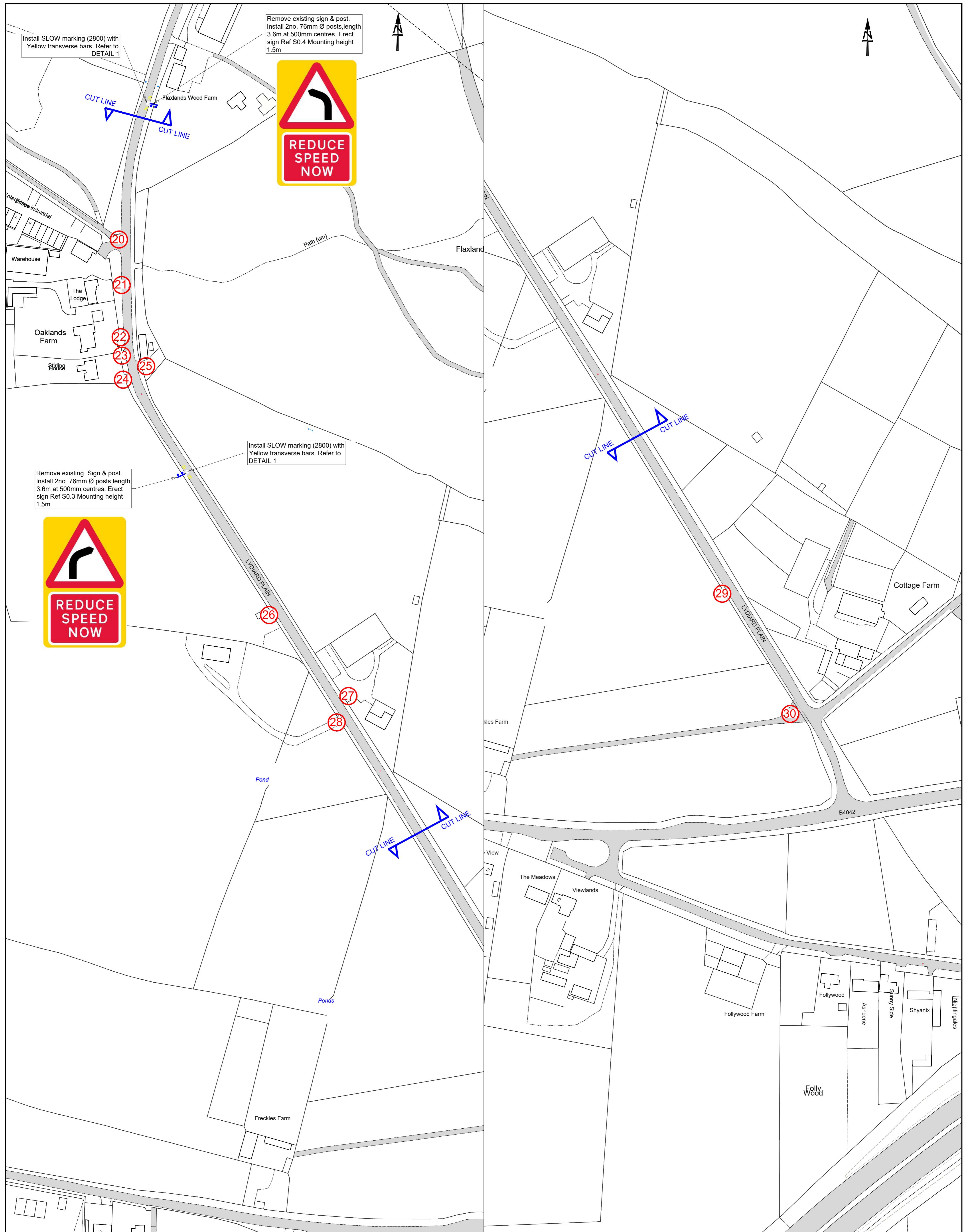


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①. ③0 Edge of Carriageway marking to Diagram 1010

DETAIL 1 - 'SLOW' marking with transverse bars



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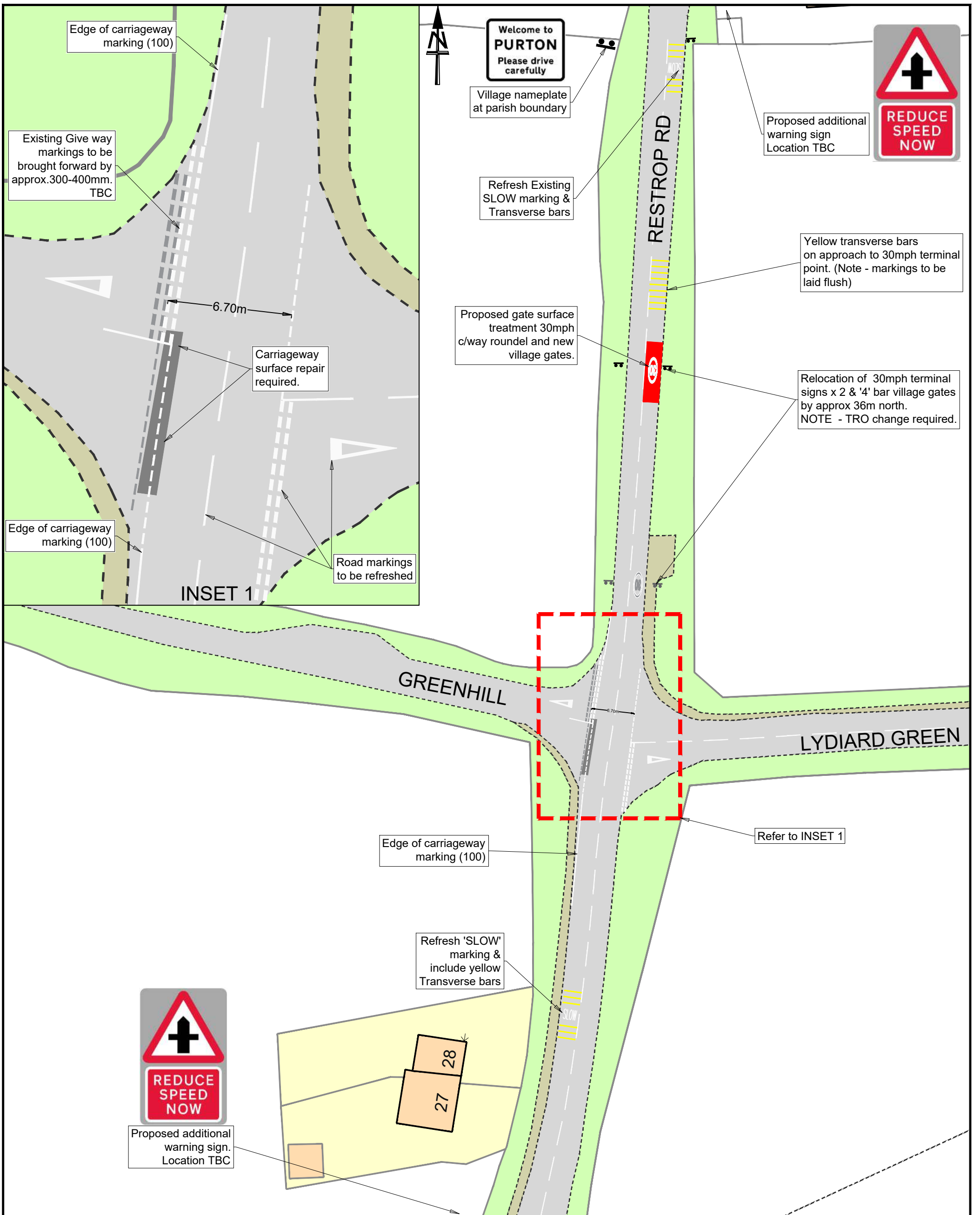
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RWB CRICKLADE LHFIG - NEW HIGHWAY ISSUES 2024/25 (NOT PRIORITISED) - APPENDIX 2 UPDATE FEB 25

Issue number	Request Date	Town / Parish council	LOCATION	Link to Google Maps Street View Image	Summary of Request	Engineer Comments	Options for Consideration	Estimated Cost (£)	Deliverability Ranking (1= Easy, 5= difficult)	LHFIG Recommendation from 22/05/24 meeting
11-24-09	16/02/2024	Royal Wootton Bassett	High Street	google.co.uk/maps	Request for various changes on High street including disabled bays, changes to Taxi ranks and loading areas, extension of no waiting / removal of parking bays. Extend the pavement to the entrance to Beamans Lane, or install bollards to prevent parking.	RWBTC submission requires significant officer time to review parking controls on High street. Removal / relocation of taxi / loading /disabled bays will likely be contentious	Wider review could be combined with issue 11-24-01 leading to reduced Legal / implementation costs	£5,000 (legal / implementation)	4	RWB agreed 11-24-01 and 11-23-10 will take priority. No further action at this time
11-24-20	30/04/2024	Royal Wootton Bassett	Glenville Close	google.co.uk/maps	Complaint that vehicles are parking too close to junction of Glenville close/ Marlborough road	Costly to promote as a single WR site.	Could be included as part of wider parking review for issues 11-24-09 & 11-24-01	£3,000 (legal / implementation)	4	Issue not yet agreed by RWB TC. No further action
11-22-13	16/06/2022	Royal Wootton Bassett	Community Garden nature reserve – Row WBAS28	google.co.uk/maps	Request to stop up WBAS28 which is overgrown and has significant drop from A3102, & divert route to path from Lindisfarne alongside nature pond and exiting out on Churchill Close.	Land ownership details remain unclear . Possibly Bryant Homes or Bradleys. Path through community garden currently being used by public. Land registry search inconclusive	Difficult to take scheme forward until land ownership established. Likely to be a protracted process.	N/A	4	Further discussion with Countryside team required.
11-23-16	09/06/2023	Royal Wootton Bassett	Breach Lane & Log Lane Royal Wootton Bassett	google.co.uk/maps	Request for Accompanied horses signs on Breach Lane & Log Lane (Breach Lane Equine centre nearby)	Breach Lane 3.6km long	Consider installing 2no. Signs on posts as requested	£250.00	1	Speak to requester to see if they are willing to fund. No further action at this time
11-24-03	10/01/2024	Royal Wootton Bassett	Layby A3102 (After Stoneover Lane turning) old 55 route bus stop	google.co.uk/maps	Complaint from 'The Windmills', Marlowe Way which backs onto stop of overnight lorry parking resulting in rubbish, excrement and damage to trees. Request for measures to prevent parking in layby i.e. bollards	Bus stop no longer in use. Layby is over 40m long and would require a significant number of bollards, expensive & may lead to ongoing maintenance issues. Note - This is the first layby for traffic travelling westbound from M4, J16. Permanent removal i.e. kerbing will be expensive as Stopping up order required.	Consider parking controls (time limited waiting) or signage in first instance (no overnight parking by HGVs)	£3,000 (WRs) £300 (no HGV signs)	3	Group agreed this request was not a priority No further action at this time
11-24-10	16/02/2024	Royal Wootton Bassett	Zebra Crossing, Noremarsch Road	google.co.uk/maps	Report of vehicles failing to stop at zebra crossing. Request for signalised crossing	Single recorded incident of failing to stop at Zebra in last 11 years (Sept 2013 - Slight) Cost to replace zebra with signalised crossing £100,000+. No evidence to support argument that signalised crossings are safer. Excellent forward visibility to zebra crossing	Consider advisory 20mph limit (when lights show) This could be actioned via TAOSJ & School Travel Plan. Consider upgrade to LED Belisha Beacon (Modustar) to improve day time visibility of crossing. School can also cut back tree on their land to improve visibility of beacon on west side	£3,500 (LED BB)	2	Costs for signalised crossing prohibitive. Belisha Beacon upgrade not considered a priority. No further action at this time.
11-24-15	19/03/2024	Royal Wootton Bassett	Cycle Route Signs RWB	N/A	Reports of poor signage of recommended routes for cyclists. Request for signs and road markings at key locations in town	LCWIP for RWB being prepared in 24/25. Following on there will be an allocation for cycle infrastructure in the town and some /all of this request could be picked up at the same time.	Requester to make direct contact with Sustainable transport team to progress	N/A	N/A	Sign improvements to be requested via LCWIP and ATE funding. No further action.
11-23-03	13/05/2022	Cricklade	Footpath link between Hitchings and The Forty	google.co.uk/map	Request to install lighting along footpath constructed by Greensquare Accord as part of local development	Discussion has taken place with Development control. Footpath is not adopted and area part of the path beyond Hitchings has been sold to nearby dwelling. LHFIG unable to progress	No further Action	N/A	N/A	CTC to contact Wiltshire council Countryside team to request establishment of new RoW
11-24-23	05/03/2024	Cricklade	Stones Lane	google.co.uk/maps	Concern about traffic speeds on Stones lane with residents walking to and from leisure centre crossing from Reeds. Request for Speed Humps	Road is rural and predominantly single track. Limited street lighting which would prohibit use of speed humps.	Speed survey to establish vehicle speed (no cost to LHFIG) pedestrian's crossing ahead signs (x 2)	£800 (signs x 2)	2	No further action at this time.
11-24-24	26/04/2024	Cricklade	High St, Cricklade. Pedestrian refuge island	google.co.uk/maps	Local resident would like existing refuge island removed as 1. It poses significant risk to road users, 2. Surface water splashes up an onto #4 and peds. 3. Close proximity to RDBT and Poor design forces LGVs onto opposite side of road. 4. Refuge not necessary due to nearby zebra crossing	Long standing issue. Refuge installed 2002/03. Complainant has identified the design as not compliant, giving examples of guidance, the majority of which is not relevant or has been superseded. Refuge is 1.5m wide which meets current guidance. Refuge currently subject to FOI and formal complaint to LG ombudsman. CTC resolved not to remove island in 2017	Removing the island would require temp road closure and electrical disconnection. Removal unlikely to resolve claimed splashing issue 100%. Refuge island designed to also act as traffic calming feature within 20mph limit. Speeds may increase if removed. Awaiting outcome of LGO findings	£14,000+	5	Cost of island removal prohibitive and not agreed as a priority for LHFIG. Awaiting outcome of complaint to LGO. No further action at this time.
11-24-02	09/01/2024	Lyneham & Bradenstoke	A3102 Calne Rd Lyneham (Adj Mallard Pub)	google.co.uk/maps	Lyneham & Bradenstoke PC requesting pedestrian improvements, with either a refuge island or zebra crossing	Road width insufficient to accommodate ped refuge and widening on south side required, further complicated by open watercourse. Zebra crossing possible but unlikely to meet threshold figure of 50 peds per hour over 4 busiest hours.	Further feasibility work and crossing assessment required Topo survey necessary £1800. Pedestrian survey £1500, Speed Survey (no cost to LHFIG)	£1800 (topo)	4	Costs likely to be prohibitive given engineering difficulties. No further action at this time,

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11-24-05	18/01/2024	Purton	Manor Hill (by pond)	google.co.uk/maps	<i>Request for drainage works on Manor Hill. Flooding issues preventing access by foot or vehicles.</i>	Issues have been long standing and requires involvement of Drainage team, local highways and OFWG to agree way forward. Local landowners will also need to reinstate ditches under their ownership & clear pond	Requires further feasibility work with cooperation of various parties	unknown	N/A	No further action at this time
11-26-06	18/01/2024	Purton	Pavenhill	google.co.uk/maps	<i>Request for bollards to be installed on footway outside 'one stop' shop to prevent cars blocking access for peds and wheel chair users</i>	Footway area in front of shop is not maintainable highway (adopted). Bollards are already in place as a security measure but confined to area directly in front of shop.	Further information required. Land registry search	N/A	N/A	Footway not maintainable highway. No further action. MJR to request yellow line refresh by Parking services
11-23-09	09/03/2023	Lydiard Millicent	Church Place / The Street (towards Lydiard Green)	google.com/maps	<i>Request for improved speed reduction measures and pedestrian safety for pedestrians accessing all saints church</i>	Traffic calming in place outside Church with 2no. priority chicanes. Overall speeds in area low. Area to west of The Butts is 30mph but speeds higher due to lack of frontage development and road alignment.	Additional 30mph roundels / repeater signs between The Butts and Bagbury Lane to provide improved awareness of 30mph limit. Suggest that school consider advisory '20' on The Street via TAOSJ	£3,500 (signs / road markings)	2	No further action at this time,
11-24-18	17/04/2024	Lydiard Millicent	Lydiard Green footway	google.com/map	<i>Request to complete footway links along Lydiard Green to connect with footway south of Greenhill xroads</i>	1. Sections along length not possible due to restricted road width (virtual pavement possible). 2. Majority of verge areas along length are privately owned and would require free dedication of land.	Parish council to undertake consultation with residents to establish willingness for free dedication. Longer term strategy required for project delivery	N/A	5	Parish council to discuss issue of free dedication of privately owned verges with residents. No further action at this time,
11-24-19	17/04/2024	Lydiard Millicent	Church Place / The Street	google.com/maps	<i>Request for Wild fowl warning signs Diagram 551.2 following recent incident with speeding vehicle</i>	LMPC have indicated they will fund 100% of cost	Sign location(s) to be agreed	£350	1	MJR to progress with LMPC outside of LHFIG
11-24-14	13/03/2024	Lydiard Tregoze	A3102 Swindon Road junction with Spittleborough Farm	google.com/maps	<i>Concern re. 'U' turning traffic at junction, speeding traffic. Claim area is an accident blackspot. Request to prohibit 'U' turns, reduce speed limit from current 60mph</i>	Site ranked #38 on Collision cluster site list. 2no. Recorded collisions in last 5 years. 1no. Turning right, 2no. Rear end shunts.	Prohibition of 'U' turning not feasible. Prohibition of Right turn into junction possible but nearest RDBT at Bincknoll Lane 1km to west and restriction likely to be ignored. Speed limit assessment £3,100	£3,000 (Right turn - legal & implementation) £3,100 (Speed limit assessment)	3	No further action at this time,

FINAL MEETING NOTES FOR 12th FEBRUARY 2025

Royal Wootton Bassett and Cricklade - Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG)

**Date of meeting: Wednesday 12th February 2025.
6pm Via MS Teams**

Chair – Councillor Allison Bucknell, Highways Officer – Martin Rose

Notes taken by - Martin Rose

	Item	Update	Actions and recommendations	Who
1.	Attendees and Apologies			
	Attendees:	Cllr Allison Bucknell (Chair), Martin Rose (WC), Martin Cook (WC), Cllr Steve Bucknell, Cllr Jacqui Lay, Cllr Nick Dye, Chris Bull (Cricklade TC) Shendie Green (Lyneham & Bradenstoke PC) Mo Suleman (Lydiard Millicent PC) Steve Walls (RWB TC), Mark Hopkins (RWB TC) Rupert Pearce (Broad Town PC), Geoff Greenaway (Purton PC) Jim Gunter (Broad Hinton & Winterbourne Bassett PC) Kevin Woolnough (Tockenham PC), Elizabeth Martin (Lyneham & Bradenstoke PC)		
	Apologies	Cllr David Bowler Cllr Mary Champion		

2.	Notes of Previous Meeting																																										
		<p>The notes and recommendations of the previous LHFIG meeting held on 27th November 2024 were presented to the Area Board at its 11th December 2024 meeting and agreed.</p> <p>The meeting minutes can be found here: https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=174&MIId=15352&Ver=4</p>	To note																																								
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4.	Priority Schemes for 24/25 (funding committed where indicated)			
a)	<p>11-21-8 C34 Purton, Manor Hill Speed Limit Submitted 23/06/21</p>	<p>11/09/24The proposal for Church St / Manor Hill Purton was advertised on 1st August, with the end of objection period the 26th of August. A large number of representations has been received and will be considered by the Cabinet Member for Highways, Street Scene and Flooding, Cllr Nick holder.</p> <p>MJR to prepare report and keep local member and PC updated.</p> <p>27/11/24 - CM report has been prepared and is currently with Cllr Nick Holder, Cabinet Member for Highways, Street Scene and Flooding for consideration. Decision likely to be published in Dec 24.</p> <p>£6,000 allocated in 24/25 budget.</p>	<p>12/02/25</p> <p>A copy of the report and CM decision can be found here: https://cms.wiltshire.gov.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?ID=2073</p> <p><u>Summary</u> - To consider comments received following the formal advertisement of the proposed 40mph speed restriction on Church Street / Manor Hill, Purton and Lydiard Millicent.</p> <p><u>Decision:</u> I approve that: (i) The proposals be implemented as advertised. (ii)The objectors be advised accordingly.</p> <p>Group agreed to implement the '40' limit with a proviso to look again at Manor Hill speed limit in the future in conjunction with anticipated local development opportunities</p>	<p>MJR</p>

<p>b)</p>	<p>11-23-08 Lydiard Millicent Common Platt safety Submitted 14/02/23</p>	<p>Group has agreed to consider submitting project for funding as a 'substantive scheme' in 24/25 and maintain current allocation of £8,550. (£10,000 - £1,450)</p> <p>07/11/24 Application for Substantive Bid process 2024/25. This will take place in Autumn 24</p> <p>27/11/24 - Application for substantive funding submitted on 29/10/24 . Decision likely Jan / Feb 25. Delivery in 25/26 financial year. Mo Suleman queried contribution amount required from 3rd parties for substantive bids. <u>For clarity the breakdown is as follows:</u> Estimated cost of scheme = £38,000.00 (A) Contribution from LHFIG = £6,412.50 (B) Contribution from LMPC = £2,317.50 (C) Amount from Substantive highway fund = £29,270.00 (D) D= (A – B - C)</p>	<p>12/02/25</p> <p>Awaiting Results of assessment process. Delay due to resourcing. A total of '11' applications received for substantive funding across the 18 community areas. A full list is below:</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>Pewsey</td><td>Sunnyhill Lane Bus Stop Improvement</td></tr> <tr><td>Pewsey</td><td>Rushall Footway P3</td></tr> <tr><td>BoA</td><td>Atworth Footway Improvement</td></tr> <tr><td>Chippenham</td><td>Chippenham Marshfield Road</td></tr> <tr><td>Corsham</td><td>A4 Pickwick Bath Road Ped Improvements</td></tr> <tr><td>RWB & C</td><td>Lydiard Millicent Common Platt</td></tr> <tr><td>Malmesbury</td><td>Easton Grey Bridge Protection</td></tr> <tr><td>South West Wiltshire</td><td>A30 Fovant Footway Improvements</td></tr> <tr><td>Calne</td><td>Derry Hill to Studley SUP</td></tr> <tr><td>Calne</td><td>Derry Hill Traffic Management</td></tr> <tr><td>Tidworth</td><td>A338 Collingbourne Ducis</td></tr> </table> <p>Cllr Steve Bucknell raised issue of pending development in the Common Platt area. It was agreed to look closer at possible S106 monies to assist with this project should they become available.</p>	Pewsey	Sunnyhill Lane Bus Stop Improvement	Pewsey	Rushall Footway P3	BoA	Atworth Footway Improvement	Chippenham	Chippenham Marshfield Road	Corsham	A4 Pickwick Bath Road Ped Improvements	RWB & C	Lydiard Millicent Common Platt	Malmesbury	Easton Grey Bridge Protection	South West Wiltshire	A30 Fovant Footway Improvements	Calne	Derry Hill to Studley SUP	Calne	Derry Hill Traffic Management	Tidworth	A338 Collingbourne Ducis	<p>MJR</p>
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<p>c)</p>	<p>11-23-12 B4533 Purton Stoke, speed reduction Submitted 02/09/22</p>	<p>https://www.google.com/maps/</p> <p>11/09/24 A site visit has taken place to look at the possibility of moving the existing give way line forward on the Stoke Common Lane junction. Markings could be re-aligned forward by approx. 300mm which may help with visibility issues at junction. The best method of removing the old markings is the use of a Hydoblaster rather than blacking out, but this is high cost. Members agreed it was better to combine with other lining</p>	<p>12/02/25</p> <p>Awaiting to combine with future road marking work in Purton Area. MJR to seek possible use of Hydro-blaster to remove existing GW markings.</p> <p>Hydro blaster line-removal-and-surface-preparation</p>	<p>MR</p>																						

		<p>works in the area requiring removal to reduce overall cost to LHFIG. Retain on tracker.</p> <p>27/11/24 - Members agreed to retain request for changes to the give way lines, but agreed they should be implemented with other lining sites when opportunity arises due to cost implications.</p>		
d)	<p>11-23-19 Tockenham Passing Bay Submitted 17/09/23</p>	<p>Request for formal passing bay. approx. 150m south of Shaw Farm (just after a field entrance) https://what3words.com/perfected.plant.coaching</p> <p>22/05/24 Update - Topo received, and outline design prepared.</p> <p>Option 1 - Replicates the current visible vehicle over run area and is approx. 5.5m at its widest point. Estimated Cost = £14,500.00</p> <p>Option 2 - is a more formal passing bay with a width of approx. 6.0m. Estimated Cost = £12,000</p> <p>Both options will take 5-8 days under temporary road closure. Plans issued to TPC who have expressed their preference for Option 2</p> <p>22/05/24 - Proceed with implementation of Option 2 at a cost of £12,000. Tockenham PC contribution 25% - £3,000</p> <p>27/11/24 - Works programmed for May 2025. 1 week Temp road closure required.</p>	<p>12/02/25</p> <p>Works programmed 05/05/25 to 16/05/25</p> <p>Temp Road Closure - submitted 08-01-25.</p> <p>Update at next meeting.</p>	MR
e)	<p>11-23-17</p>	<p>10/01/24 - Group discussed submission and agreed that consideration is to be given to improved pedestrian provision</p>	<p>12/02/25 MJR Comments</p> <p>No further action at this time.</p>	To note

	<p>Greatfield near Lydiard Millicent Topo Survey</p>	<p>along the section between Greatfield Garden Centre and #20 Greatfield . Recommendation – Allocate £1900 for topo survey to enable design to be prepared.</p> <p>22/05/24 - Topo received. Outline design for coloured virtual footway issued to LMPC. Restricted carriageway will only permit sub-standard width. Estimated cost £25-£30k Reduced cost option – Clear weeds, sweep footway, refresh road markings and install pedestrian symbols, ‘30’ carriageway roundels ‘no footway’ signs to Diagram 544.1. Estimate - £4,500. No further action at this stage.</p> <p>11/09/24 Mo Suleman expressed his ongoing concerns about this location and the desire to undertake improvement work. Martin Cook has instructed Milestone to refresh the road markings in this area.(D24144304). Members agreed to wait until the road markings were complete and assessed before considering further action. Retain issue on tracker.</p> <p>27/11/24 Instruction .(D24144304). from local highways to refresh road markings along Greatfield has not been completed. Martin Cook has chased contractor 20/11/24 but likely to slip until Spring 25. Mo Suleman aware and content, but would like issue re-examined once lining is complete</p>	<p>Martin Cook has chased road marking refresh but likely to be March 25 onwards.</p>	
<p>f)</p>	<p>11-23-10 A3102 Wootton Bassett Infants School Submitted 31/03/24</p>	<p>Vehicles parked on High St close to school entrance restricting access (especially for emergency services) and visibility. 22/05/24 Agreed to fund School Keep markings at a cost of £1500. (25% RWB TC).</p>	<p>12/02/25 Road markings remain outstanding due to presence of parked vehicles. Neighbourhood Policing Team (Sergeant Kate Smith) has now</p>	<p>MJR</p>

		<p>11/09/24 - Meeting has taken place with school and proposal agreed. RWB TC have indicated approval. Order issued to contractor and implementation likely Sept 24.</p> <p>27/11/24 Repeated visits to site by road marking contractor to install School Keep Clear markings, however unable to complete work due to parked vehicles. Gang have knocked on adjacent doors to request removal, but this is ignored. No waiting cones placed to discourage parking but ignored / moved. Contact with school made to explain delay.</p>	<p>offered to assist with removal. Note- Thank you to Mark Hopkins (RWB TC) for his assistance.</p> <p>Work to be programmed, but likely early / mid-March due to weather. MJR to write to local properties in advance.</p>	
h)	<p>11-23-4 11-24-11</p> <p>C415 Broad Town Road (towards Wootton Bassett)</p> <p>Submitted 07/02/2023</p>	<p>Request for 40mph speed limit to replace NSL) due to increased ped activity along length.</p> <p>22/05/24 Agreed to fund speed limit assessment by Atkins. Cost £3,100 (Broad Town PC -25%)</p> <p>11/09/24: Instruction issued to Atkins. Report expected Nov /Dec 24. Speak to PC re. contribution. Members agreed that depending on come of assessment implementation of any speed limit change can be coordinated with issue 11-24-08 in order to reduce legal costs.</p> <p>27/11/24 - Site assessment and speed surveys completed by Atkins. Awaiting final report. Likely 1st week of December. Issue to Rupert Pearce (BTPC) upon completion. Report finding to be considered at next meeting. Estimated cost £4,000.</p>	<p>12/02/25 MJR Comments</p> <p>Atkins Assessment Report issued to Broad Town PC 10/1/25 with copy to LHFIG chair.</p> <p><u>Note- Report recommends the following:</u></p> <p>(Section 1) Retention of existing 40mph limit on C415</p> <p>(Section 2) Reduction of 60mph to 50mph on C415</p> <p>(Section 3) Reduction of 60mph to 50mph on C415 (up to Broad Town 30mph limit).</p> <p>Broad Town PC are unhappy with the report recommendations and have submitted several points for consideration. MJR to update PC in due course. Please note as part of the new Wiltshire speed limit policy, there is an agreed process for challenging the recommendations of assessments.</p>	MJR


<p>i)</p>	<p>11-24-08 A4361 Broad Hinton (towards Swindon) Submitted 15/02/24</p>	<p>google.co.uk/maps</p> <p>11/09/24 When questioned on the 2019 assessment, Atkins commented as follows: “The assessed speed shows 60mph so there was no reason to justify lowering the speed limit. There are few collisions hence a high assessed speed. In the initial work we did we recommend lowering the speed limit to 50mph purely for consistency with adjoining sections. However, Client officer wanted us to base the recommendations on the assessed speed”</p> <p>There does appear to be issues relating to consistency of speed limits along the A4361 to both the south of Broad Hinton and to the north, especially with road characteristics of NSL lengths in comparison to 50mph speed limit commencing at Swindon boundary.</p> <p>Agreed – Proceed with implementation of 50mph limit on A4361 between Broad Hinton and Swindon Boundary. NOTE:- No financial allocation made at this stage. Awaiting outcome of issue 11-24-11 for possible combination of projects.</p> <p>27/11/24 On hold. Possible Implementation is to be combined with issue 11-24-11 following outcome of speed limit assessment. No financial allocation at this stage.</p>	<p>12/02/25</p> <p>To be discussed following agreed outcome for 11-24-11 with view to combine TRO costs. Scheme currently on hold pending agreed way forward for issue 11-24-11.</p> <p>It was agreed by members to press ahead separately with this project if the issue 11-24-11 is not agreed by the next meeting.</p> <p>Note – Liaison required with Swindon BC due to speed limit change at boundary. https://www.google.co.uk/maps</p> <p>Estimated cost £4,000</p>	
<p>j)</p>	<p>11-24-04 High Street, Purton (East of Willis Way) Submitted 08/01/24</p>	<p>Request for Bus stop Clearway as buses are being forced to stop in road for passengers</p> <p>22/05/24 - Agreed to fund Bus stop clearways x 2 at a cost of £1500 (Purton PC 25%)</p>	<p>12/02/25</p> <p>Bobcat work now complete. Milestone instructed to carry out bus stop clearway work. Likely to slip until March due to weather.</p>	<p>MJR MC</p>

		<p>11/09/24 - HIAMS order issued with implementation programmed Sept 24. Maintenance issue to resolved before road markings can be installed. Members agreed to delay road markings until surface issues are resolved to avoid duplication of work.</p> <p>27/11/24 - Bus stop clearway markings x 2 delayed due to future maintenance work to carriageway. Martin Cook confirmed order has been raised for bobcat works to take place in next few months. Once confirmed Milestone lining gang will be instructed accordingly.</p>	<p>Concerns expressed re. presence of parked vehicles on north side which may prevent work taking place.</p>	
k)	<p>11-22-01 Greenhill Crossroads, Lydiard Millicent Submitted 04/02/22</p> <p>Resubmitted as 11-24-16 on 12/04/23</p>	<p>Greenhill Crossroads speed reduction https://www.google.com/maps/ 22/05/24 - further site meeting has taken place with Mo Suleman to discuss options for improvement including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Additional Warning signs (cross road – reduce speed now) on both approaches. (Est £1,000) 2. Re-introducing rumble strips (Purton direction only) (Est £500) 3. Moving give way lines forward on Greenhill side. Note - Area approx. 20m x 1.0m will require surface repairs first. Refresh road markings (Est £3,500). 4. Relocating 30mph terminal point and village gates further north on Restrop Road (approx. 30m). Note this requires amendment to TRO (Est. £5,000) 5. Coloured gateway treatment with 30mph roundel. (Est. £4,000) 6. Reinstating coloured surface across junction (£6,000) 	<p>12/02/25</p> <p>Detailed design work to be issued to parish councils for comment in due course.</p> <p>Work cannot be programmed until carriageway repairs are complete on Greenhill side. Martin Cook confirmed instruction has been raised with contractor.</p>	MR

		<p>12/09/24 A further visit to site has been made. C/way area on Greenhill side still requires a repair before any changes to the give way can take place. Road width 6.7m. Signs at junction in poor condition which may be addressed under routine maintenance. TRO would be required for speed limit extension.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Move give way lines forward (250mm -300mm) 2. Relocate 30mph speed limit approx. 36m north with new gateway / village gates. 3. Cross roads warning signs (reduce speed now) on both approaches to junction 4. Miscellaneous road markings 5. Purton Village nameplate. <p>Martin Cook has issued instruction for Bobcat (Carriageway repairs) at Greenhill junction.</p> <p>Lydiard Millicent PC have indicated support for the proposal.</p> <p>Agreed – Allocate £8,000 with a 25% contribution (£2,000) from Lydiard Millicent PC</p> <p>27/11/24 Design work ongoing. Implementation target Spring 25. Relocation of 30mph limit northwards will require amendment to 2006 TRO. Look to combine with other formal advertisement to reduce overall cost. Carriageway repairs on Greenhill side required and must be carried out before lining changes can be implemented. Martin Cook has raised the instruction and hopeful it will be combined with High Street, Purton (issue 11-24-04)</p>		
l)	<p>11-23-01 B3553 Purton Road Cricklade</p>	<p>Traffic travelling faster than 30mph limit. Request to extend existing 20mph limit on High Street to include Purton Road (as far as Hitchings Rdbt)</p>	<p>12/02/25 Surveys undertaken Dec 24</p>	<p>MR</p>

	<p>Submitted 10/01/23</p>	<p>22/05/24 - Agreed to investigate speed mitigation measures on Purton road up to Hitchings Rdbt with a view to extending 20mph limit on High St google.co.uk/map</p> <p>11/09/24: Order for Speed / Volume counts (x 2) placed. Locations agreed with Town Council. Nov / Dec. Report back to next meeting.</p> <p>27/11/24 - Awaiting metro-counts data. Delay due to backlog and change in provider. Confirmed for early Dec 24. Report back data to Feb meeting</p>	<p>Site 1 (between Giles Av and Dance Court) https://what3words.com/coverage.weeds.eaten Average Speed 25.43mph 85th percentile 29.02mph Total vehicles 46619 % exceeding posted 30mph SL 8.9%</p> <p>Site 2 (#7 Purton Road) https://what3words.com/overheard.unusable.notes Note limited data 11-12-24 to 14-12-24</p> <p>Average Speed 26.98mph 85th percentile 30.65mph Total vehicles 20538 % exceeding posted 30mph SL 19.4%</p> <p>A discussion took place with group members. MJR explained the traffic data indicated overall compliance with the posted 30mph limit. Collision data indicates a single (slight) collision during last 3 years. Cllr Dye and Chris Bull (Cricklade TC) expressed their unhappiness and felt action was still required to calm traffic on Purton Road, citing ongoing concerns raised by local residents. Cllr Dye raised an issue relating to the poor road surface and it was explained this need to be raised via the appropriate channels. MJR to contact Chris Bull and Cllr Dye via email to outline conditions whereby formal traffic calming is typically considered, and discuss what action, if any, can be considered (subject to agreed funding).</p>
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<p>m)</p>	<p>11-24-01 Noremarsh Primary School & St Bartholomew's Primary School (The Rosary)</p> <p>Submitted 03/01/24</p>	<p>Ongoing issues relating to Dangerous and inconsiderate parking on the junction, parking across driveways/dropped kerbs. Request for parking controls.</p> <p>22/05/24 - Agreed to undertake WR review as part of 24/25 commitments and report back to RWB TC and group.</p> <p>11/09/24 Initial site visits undertaken for both sites. Further visits required following commencement of new school term in Sept 24. Report back to next meeting.</p> <p>27/11/24 - Site survey/ observations discussion with residents at both sites in early October. Some inconsiderate parking observed, but no major issues identified. Parent parking typically starts around 2.30pm and the sites are clear by 3.20pm. It is not feasible to cover extensive areas with parking controls as this will lead to migration of problems elsewhere, however some protection of key areas including junction bell mouths close to the schools is advised. Plans for both sites issued to RWB for comments. To be considered at Feb meeting.</p>	<p>12/02/25</p> <p>Proposal for both sites submitted to RWB TC. To be considered at full council on 6th Feb.</p> <p>Request received for RWB TC to extend lines on Eastwood Avenue due to vehicles over running verge. Also request for short extension to existing DYL on Downs View due to concerns expressed by Wiltshire & Dorset fire & rescue service (WDFRS). https://www.google.co.uk/maps/</p> <p>Group members agreed to progress with scheme and include additional site as requested by WDFRS.</p> <p>Martin Cook asked for the parking review to consider another area of Downs View where overrunning the verge is taking place. MJR to investigate further and report back.</p> <p>Agreed allocate £4,000.00 with a 25% contribution payable by RWBTC (£1,000)</p>	<p>MR</p>
<p>n)</p>	<p>11-23-15 Manor Hill (North of Manor Hill Farm) Purton</p> <p>Submitted 28/03/24</p>	<p>A Dew Pond was filled in at Manor Hill Farm when planning permission was granted for new entrance and driveway to field, the water from the fields now run out on to Manor Hill causing flooding. The flooding is creating c/way large overruns.</p> <p>22/05/24 - Agreed to investigate kerbing, surface reinstatement and warning signs either side of access and report back to group. https://www.google.co.uk/maps/</p> <p>11/09/24. Approx 40-45m of new kerbing (total) either side of access, backfill behind kerb with topsoil, reinstate carriageway in</p>	<p>12/02/25</p> <p>Awaiting topo survey. Design work Feb/ March. Programmed for June 25.</p>	<p>MR MC</p>

		<p>front of kerbs. Road narrows warning signs x 2. Temp road closure required for approx. 1 week. Estimated cost £6,000. (TBC)</p> <p>Agreed – Allocate £6,000 with a 25% contribution (£1,500) from Purton PC</p> <p>27/11/24 - Small topo survey required for detailed design work. Estimated cost £1700.00. Design Early Jan with construction Spring /Summer 25. Retain existing allocation of £6000.00. Geoff Greenaway & Cllr Lay commented on continued flooding issues in area, exacerbated by run off at access and asked if further improvements can be considered to mitigate problems. MR to discuss with MC.</p>		
<p>o)</p>	<p>11-24-07</p> <p>Cricklade Road / Widham bridge, Purton</p> <p>Submitted 18/01/24</p>	<p>Request for traffic calming measures to reduce the speed and allow safer access out of New Road. google.co.uk/maps</p> <p>22/05/24 - Agreed to investigate signs / road markings to mitigate speeding and report back to group</p> <p>11/09/24- Site visit undertaken. Warning lines through double bend not visible due to war. No evidence of reflective road studs. Some signs in poor condition.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Reinstate warning lines through double bend and increase to 150mm wide. (£1500) -Misc other road markings (£200) -Install bi-directional road studs (£500) -Provide NAL socket for SID (northbound) (£500) -Provide NAL Socket for SID (southbound) £500 -Upgrade 'road narrows' warning sign / post on northbound approach.(£400) 	<p>12/02/25.</p> <p>Site meeting with Geoff Greenaway (Purton PC) 16/01/25. Minor changes requested including length of no waiting at any time to assist vehicles turning left from Station Road into Widham. Possibly combine this element with issue 11-24-01 to reduce legal costs.</p> <p>Agreed, allocate £5,500.00 with a 25% contribution payable by Purton Parish Council (£1,375.00)</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Widham Purton - Proposed Sign- Roa</p> </div>	<p>MR</p>

		<p>-New Road narrows / Junction-R ahead sign /post (£400) Total £4,000.00 (Estimate) Purton PC have indicated provisional support for proposal. Cllr Jacqui commented on the need to improve visibility to the south for traffic exiting Widham and issues with the grass verge. Land ownership dispute by Dairy House was raised. Issue on hold pending further investigation of the issues raised. MJR to report back to next meeting.</p> <p>27/11/24 Site inspection undertaken to look at section of verge south of junction with New Road. Suggest area of EcoGrid to maintain 'green' appearance but retard grass growth. Likely increase in cost £800.00.</p> <p>Area by Dairy House checked and shown as maintainable highway. MR to arrange meeting with Geoff Greenaway and agree way forward. No financial allocation at this stage.</p>		
q)	<p>11-24-25 A3102 Calne Road / Preston Lane Mini RDBT Submitted 14/04/24</p>	<p>Near misses and high speeds approaching and crossing the mini roundabout on the A3102 at Preston Lane in Lyneham.</p> <p>22/05/24 - MJR to undertake review at mini Rdbt and report back to group. google.co.uk/maps</p> <p>11/09/24 Proposal, Options 1 and 2 prepared, included High Friction surfacing, changes to road markings and sign improvements. Approx Cost £8,000. PC have expressed preference for Option A.</p> <p>Agreed – Allocate £8,000 with a 25% contribution (£2,000) from Lyneham PC.</p>	<p>12/02/25.</p> <p>Repair by Thames Water to nearby leak attempted on 02/02/25, but not resolved.</p> <p>Note - increase in cost from £8000.00 to £8,949.96 due to requirement for new large post & associated electrical work rather than extension post. (work to replace post is complete).</p> <p>HFS to be programmed once leak is repaired.</p>	MR

		<p>27/11/24 Order (M2/00726) for HFS raised to combine with recent pedestrian crossing upgrade. Work deferred due to adjacent water leak. Works now likely spring 25. Instruction to Milestone for changes to large base post / sign light issued.</p>		
r)	<p>11-24-12 C414 Hook Street / Village Hall Lydiard Tregoze Submitted 13/03/24</p>	<p>1. Concerns about speeding and lack of pedestrian provision at Hook St / Hook village hall) No footway on west side) -1. Request for rumble strips (north approach, - 2. Road sign improvements at bend 3. Raised junction at C414 / Hook Street. 4. Footway link on west side google.com/maps</p> <p>11/09/24 - Footway link on west side difficult due to visibility issues. Option prepared for sign / road marking improvements and issued to PC for comments. PC are unhappy with elements of the design and are seeking reinstatement of the coloured patches on the northbound approach to Hook St junction, 'peds in road' signs and a footway on the west side of the C414. Members resolved to keep issue on hold pending further discussion with PC.</p> <p>27/11/24 - Further discussion with LTPC required re. footway on west side before scheme can progress. No allocation at this stage. Cllr Steve Bucknell to raise issued with LTPC to try and move issue forward.</p>	<p>12/02/25 Awaiting contact from LTPC to agree way forward. MJR to speak to PC to prompt.</p>	MR
s)	<p>11-24-13 C414 Hook Street to Coped Hall</p>	<p>Request for footway upgrade due to overgrown, narrow and uneven surface.</p>	<p>12/02/25 Awaiting billing for topo work completed to date before invoicing LTPC</p>	MR

	<p>Submitted 10/01/24</p>	<p>22/05/24 - MJR to establish cost of topo survey and liaise with Lydiard Tregoze PC google.co.uk/maps</p> <p>11/09/24: Topo cost is £5,800 + VAT. LTPC have agreed to fund in full. Longer term project and possible substantive bid for 25/26. Agreed – Allocate £0 with 100% contribution (£6,960.00) from Lydiard Tregoze PC.</p> <p>27/11/24 - Instruction to proceed with topo survey received from LTPC. Order issued. Email received from LTPC asking for topo to be stopped following recent routine maintenance work. Unfortunately, base survey work was completed. Current cost of £4,000 incurred. LTPC informed of situation via email.</p>		
<p>t)</p>	<p>11-24-17 B4696 Braydon Road (Includes Lydiard Millicent & Purton Parishes)</p> <p>Submitted 17/04/24</p>	<p>Request for measures to slow down traffic on B4696 south of Braydon roads following recent fatal collision including improved signage / road markings. Request for SID to be used and measure to prevent overtaking. 6 residential properties at Four oaks Caravan Park google.co.uk/map</p> <p>22/05/24 - Current speed limit is 60mph. SIDs cannot be deployed where speed limit > 40mph. Criteria for solid double lines to prohibit overtaking not met.</p> <p>MJR to undertake signs and road marking review along length and report back to group.</p> <p>11/09/24 - Site visit not yet undertaken . Suggest upgrade to existing bend warning signs on B4696 (x 6) with 'reduce speed now' supplementary plates and Enhanced 'SLOW' markings. Possible flag type sign at Four Oaks</p> <p>Signs / Posts / foundations =£2500 Traffic management = £1500</p>	<p>12/02/25 Sign works programmed for 17/2 Road Markings programmed for Spring 25</p>	<p>MR</p>

		<p>Road markings = £1500 Total £5,500 (Estimate) Agreed – Allocate £5,500 with a 12.5% contribution (£687.50) from Purton PC and a 12.5% (£687.50) contribution from LMPC</p> <p>27/11/24 - Outline signs / road marking plan prepared and issued to Lydiard Millicent PC, Purton PC, and Lydiard Tregoze PC for comment and approval. Order to be issued before 31/12/24 for delivery early spring 2025.</p>		
u)	<p>11-24-21</p> <p>Length of C114 Water Eaton</p> <p>Submitted 06/05/2024</p>	<p>Request for additional measures to address problem with drivers not adhering to speed limits. google.co.uk/maps</p> <p>22/05/24 - 40 /50mph Speed limits installed in autumn 23, but some drivers ignoring restriction. Request for increased police enforcement, Poles / sockets for SIDs, warning signs, Improved gateway at 40mph terminal point, c/way roundels.</p> <p>MJR comments: Limited options for improvements within 50mph section other than c/way roundels. Suggest focus on 40mph section with village gates at terminal points x 2, '40' roundels and SIDS. (sockets only, Devices to be provided by LPC)</p> <p>27/11/24 Site visit undertaken. Outline plan to be issued to LPC by mid-December. To be considered at Feb meeting.</p>	<p>12/02/25.</p> <p>Minor Signs & Road markings. Outline design issued to LPC for comments. Copy sent to Cllr Dye</p> <p>Work cost estimate - £2,500</p>	MR
6.	Minor Signing schemes to be paid for by Town/ Parish Councils			
	No current schemes.			
7.	Any Other Business			

	<p><u>Submitting LHFIG Requests / Deadline for requests</u></p> <p>NOTE: All new highway requests for 2024/25 are now agreed by the group. Subsequent requests received from Town / Parish councils for consideration as 25/26 schemes will be logged and considered at the LHFIG meeting held during Spring 2025</p>	<p>Requests to be sent to the following email address. LHFIGrequests@wiltshire.gov.uk</p> <p>NOTE - Town and parish councils are requested to examine their previously submitted issues shown at APPENDIX 2 and whether they wish them to be considered by the group as part of the assessment of new 25/26 LHFIG schemes in Spring 2025</p>	
8.	Date of Next Meeting		
	<p>It was agreed by group members that due to the local election taking place on the 1st May 2025, it would be advisable to reschedule the May meeting to June, to allow the necessary appointments to the Area board and LHFIG to take place.</p> <p>Wednesday June 11th 2025 (TBC)</p>		To note

Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Local Highways & Footway Improvement Group

Highways Traffic Engineer – Martin Rose

Area Highway Engineer – Martin Cook

11. Environmental & Community Implications

11.1. Environmental and community implications were considered by the LHFIG during their deliberations. The funding of projects will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of environmental, social and community wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

12. Financial Implications

12.1. All decisions must fall within the Highways funding allocated to Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board.

- 12.2. If funding is allocated in line with LHFIG recommendations outlined in this report, and all relevant 3rd party contributions are confirmed, Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board will have a remaining Highways funding balance of **£ - 109.54**
Refer to APPENDIX 1 - 12-02-25. (FINAL)

13. Legal Implications

- 13.1. There are no specific legal implications related to this report.

14. HR Implications

- 14.1. There are no specific HR implications related to this report.

15. Equality and Inclusion Implications

- 15.1 The schemes recommended to the Area Board will improve road safety for all users of the highway.

16. Safeguarding implications

- 16.1 There are no specific Safeguarding implications related to this report.

17. Recommendations to Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board.

17.1

- **11-24-01 Noremarsh Primary School & St Bartholomew's Primary School (The Rosary)** Parking controls. Allocate **£4,000.00** with a 25% contribution from RWBTC (£1,000.00) **Note** - Sites at Downs View and Widham bridge (11-24-07) to be advertised at the same time to reduce overall Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) costs.
- **11-24-07 Cricklade Road / Widham bridge, Purton – Traffic management measures** – Allocate **£5,500.00** with a 25% contribution from Purton Parish Council (£1375.00)
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Members are requested to NOTE report and CONSIDER the highway requests

Manor Hill

Whilst the 9-week road closure at Lydiard Green was in place, a resident of Manor Hill contacted the Parish Council to highlight 2 issues as a result of increased traffic using Manor Hill as an unofficial diversion route:

1. Damage to the edge of the highway where vehicles are driving off the tarmac and onto soft verges creating sharp edges and potholes. On 22 April, Wiltshire Council's contractor filled the verge overruns as a temporary solution, and the Highways Engineer has added this location to the contractor's schedule for a Spray Injection Patching machine to be deployed as a more medium term fix.
2. Speeding where speed limit changes from 60mph to 30mph into the village. The resident would like a resolution to this issue to be considered.

Whilst discussing these issues with Wiltshire Council and Purton Parish Council, WC Councillor Jacqui Lay suggested that both LMPC and Purton PC might jointly look to consider some form of traffic calming along Manor Hill. This may become increasingly important as development in and around Purton increases.

The Butts

The Headteacher at Lydiard Millicent CofE Primary School has also contacted the Parish Council to highlight 2 issues:

1. Condition of the highway / designated footway. There are several sections along The Butts whereby the tarmac has sizeable craters and potholes, as well as uneven surfaces where historic work has been carried out to services and not re-laid flush with the surrounding tarmac. This creates significant trip hazards for the c.350 adult and child pedestrians across both the school and the pre-school who walk The Butts each day, and slips and trips amongst the youngest of the school and preschool pupils are a frequent occurrence.
2. The most pressing issue is the volume of vehicles using The Butts to drop off / collect their children to / from school. The Headteacher sends out frequent communications to parents to remind them not to drive along The Butts at peak times (8.20am-9am and 2.30pm-3.30pm) but has unfortunately seen no improvement. This issue is likely to be exacerbated in September when the new intake starts; there is an unusually high proportion of children who do not live in Lydiard Millicent and will therefore be driven to / from school. Enforceable vehicular restrictions would help to alleviate this issue.

Hayley Graham
May 2025

Members are requested to NOTE the consultation notification and CONSIDER submitting a representation

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to inform you that Purton Parish Council have submitted their draft Modified Purton Parish Neighbourhood Plan (2025 – 2040) to Wiltshire Council.

Wiltshire Council will be coordinating a public consultation on this document between **Wednesday 16th April 2025 and Wednesday 11th June 2025.**

The draft Modified Purton Parish Neighbourhood Plan submission can be viewed and commented on from the [Wiltshire Council consultation portal](#).

Please be aware that documents viewed via the consultation portal may not be available to view with Internet Explorer. Please use an alternative internet web browser such as Google Chrome or Microsoft Edge.

Alternatively, you can comment by completing an editable representation form downloaded from the supporting documents section of the consultation portal which can then be emailed to neighbourhoodplanning@wiltshire.gov.uk or posted to the address:

Neighbourhood Planning
Planning
County Hall
Bythesea Road
Trowbridge
Wiltshire
BA14 8JN

Please ensure that any comments on the Draft Modified Purton Parish Neighbourhood Plan are received by Wiltshire Council **no later than 5pm on Wednesday 11th June 2025.**

Please be aware that all representations will be publicly available and may also appear on the Wiltshire Council website via the consultation portal.

Following this consultation, the comments received will be passed to an independent examiner, to be appointed by the council, who will consider the representations and recommend whether the Draft Modified Purton Parish Neighbourhood Plan should be put to a community referendum.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Neighbourhood Planning on Tel: 01225 713591/713698 or by email to neighbourhoodplanning@wiltshire.gov.uk.

Kind regards,

Neighbourhood Planning

Wiltshire Council



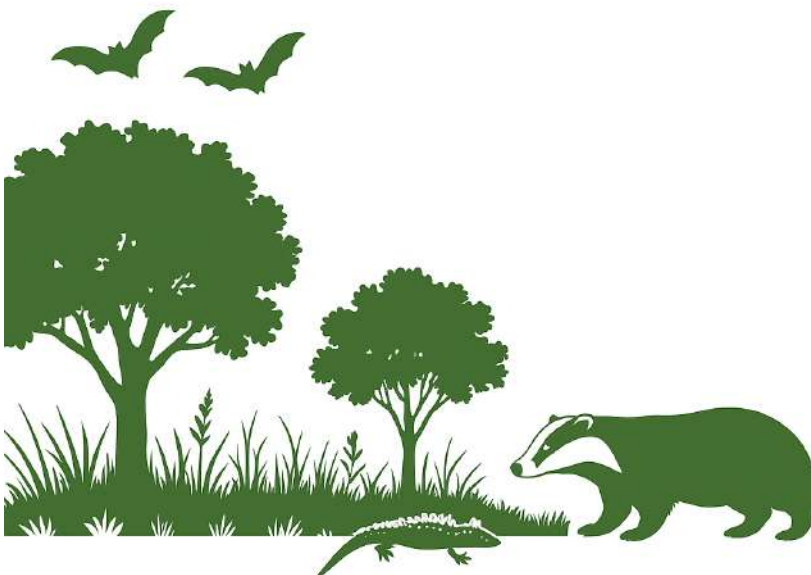


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1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report provides the results of a Preliminary Ecological Appraisal undertaken on land adjacent to the Parish Hall, Church Place, Lydiard Millicent, Swindon SN5 3LS (central Ordnance Survey (OS) Reference SU 09335 85943).
- 1.2 The proposals are described as the change of use of a permanent pasture paddock to a community recreational field. In due course, a planning application will be submitted to Wiltshire Council.
- 1.3 The findings included in this report are based on a survey undertaken during April 2025 by Cotswold Environmental Ltd. The purpose of the survey was to undertake an appraisal of the site for its potential ecological value to notable and protected wildlife, and to look for evidence of such species. The survey results provide information to determine the likely ecological impact the proposed development will have on wildlife species, and to inform the level of further survey effort and mitigation required to comply with relevant nature conservation policies and legislation. The evaluation and findings in this report can be used by Wiltshire Council in their view of a planning application. Survey results detailed within this report should be considered valid for a period of 12-18 months from the survey date (subject to consultation with the Local Planning Authority and/or Natural England).
- 1.4 The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) (December 2024) sets out the government planning policies for England and how they should be applied. Chapter 15: Conserving and Enhancing the Natural Environment, is of particular relevance to this report as it relates to ecology and biodiversity¹. The Government Circular 06/2005, which is referred to by the NPPF, provides further guidance in respect of statutory obligations for biodiversity and geological conservation and their impact within the planning system.
- 1.5 The site is located within a village setting, to the immediate east of the Parish Hall, between Lydiard Green and Lydiard Millicent. The site location is shown in Fig. 1.
- 1.6 All survey and assessment work was completed in accordance with official assessment guidelines² and largely followed that recommended by the Chartered Institute for Ecology and Environmental Management (CIEEM)³ and follows the British Standard Code of Practice⁴.

¹https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1005759/NPPF_December_2023.pdf

² Collins J (2023) Bat Surveys for Professional Ecologists: Good Practice Guidelines, 4th edn. Bat Conservation Trust, London.

³ CIEEM (2017) Guidelines for Ecological Report Writing. CIEEM, Winchester.

⁴ British Standards Institution (2013) BS 42020:2013. Biodiversity – Code of practice for planning and development. British Standards Institution, London.

Survey Objectives

- To determine suitability for protected species
- Ascertain evidence of protected species
- Determine potential ecological impacts the proposed development will have on protected species.
- Inform the level of further survey effort that is required.

2 METHODOLOGY

Desk Study

- 2.1 Using freely available resources such as the online MAGIC database, a desk study was undertaken to acquire data in relation to local habitats and Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs).

Field Study

- 2.2 Ecological consultant Jason Skinner carried out a field visit on Friday 11th April 2025.

Relevant Surveyor Experience

- 2.3 Jason Skinner has nine years professional ecological experience, primarily involved with bats and reptiles through consultancy and assisting on research projects. Experienced with small-scale and large-scale development projects and involvement in the management and supervision on multiple bat mitigation licences. Co-author of peer-reviewed research papers on reptiles and amphibians. Member, BBCARG and Wiltshire Bat Group.
- 2.4 The field visit involved a walkover using visual encounter survey techniques. The dominant vegetation structure was assessed, allowing habitats on site to be valued for their ecological importance to protected wildlife. Habitats were classified using the UK Habitat Classification Version 2.0 (UKHab V2)⁵, which provides a standardised framework for describing habitat types in the UK.
- 2.5 Binoculars were also used to scan for features likely to support protected species. All protected species were considered during the assessment and all wildlife species were recorded. The work was completed largely following methodologies set out by the Chartered Institute for Ecology and Environmental Management (CIEEM) and British Standard Code of Practice.

⁵ UKHab Ltd (2023). UK Habitat Classification Version 2.0. Available at: <https://ukhab.org/>

Species

2.6 All protected species were considered during the survey. Only those considered likely to utilise the site are mentioned in this report.

Bats

2.7 Survey effort was completed in line with official assessment guidelines⁶ and largely followed that recommended by the Chartered Institute for Ecology and Environmental Management (CIEEM)⁷ and British Standard Code of Practice⁸. The assessment followed the standard methodology. The site was searched using visual encounter survey techniques. Potential bat movement corridors and movement barriers were assessed and noted. During the site visit, where possible, all suitable areas were examined for evidence of bats.

2.8 Trees deemed suitable for use by roosting bats were identified at species level, their specific features were photographed, and a GPS recording was mapped. Notable bat roosting features may include:

- Rot holes
- Woodpecker holes
- Horizontal and/or vertical cankers in the stems of branches
- Knot holes
- Scar crevices
- Loose/flaking bark
- Covering of dense ivy
- Bat boxes
- Any other features deemed suitable for roosting bats

Badger

2.9 All habitats within the site boundary were inspected for badger *Meles meles* activity. Whilst on site, the search included evidence of:

- Scratching posts
- Faeces
- Latrines
- Guard-hairs
- Paw prints
- Trackways

⁶ Collins J (2023) Bat Surveys for Professional Ecologists: Good Practice Guidelines, 4th edn. Bat Conservation Trust, London.

⁷ CIEEM (2017) Guidelines for Ecological Report Writing. CIEEM, Winchester.

⁸ British Standards Institution (2013) BS 42020:2013. Biodiversity – Code of practice for planning and development. British Standards Institution, London.

Dormouse

- 2.10 Hedgerows, scrub and treelines within and bordering the surveyed site were assessed for their suitability to support breeding populations of hazel dormice *Muscardinus avellanarius*, as well as suitability to provide connectivity to nearby suitable breeding habitats.

Nesting Birds

- 2.11 The survey also included an inspection for evidence of common nesting birds.

Reptiles and Amphibians

- 2.12 Habitats were assessed for their potential to support reptiles and amphibians. Waterbodies typical of those utilised for breeding and foraging activity, and terrestrial refugia suited to sheltering and basking such as waste heaps and plastic/metal/timber sheeting were noted if present (see limitations). In addition, any dense vegetation including tall ruderal and scrub that is connected to hedgerows and linear tree features was inspected during the assessment.

Limitations

- 2.13 The absence of species does not preclude its presence. Wildlife can be cryptic, and some species are known to be transient and occupy new habitats on a regular basis.
- 2.14 A Local Environmental Records Centre (LERC) data search was not commissioned for this assessment. The proposed development involves a change of use only, with no associated groundworks, lighting, vegetation removal, or other physical interventions that would pose a risk to protected species or habitats. As such, the ecological risk is considered to be negligible, and the scope of the survey has been designed to reflect the low potential for impact.

3 RESULTS

Desk Study

Designated Sites

- 3.1 According to the MAGIC website, one statutory designated site occurs within a 2 km radius; Restrop Farm and Brockhurst Wood Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI), a 52.86 hectare site of biological interest comprised of broadleaved, mixed and yew woodland and neutral grassland, that exists 1.7 km to the west of the site. The site also lies within the Great Western Community Forest, however, no further statutory or non-statutory designated sites occur within a 2 km radius of the survey site. Furthermore, no internationally designated sites, such as special areas of conservation (SACs), designated for their bat populations exist within a 10 km radius of the site.

Granted European Protected Species Licences (EPSL) within a 2km radius

- 3.2 According to the MAGIC website, two EPS licences have been granted within a 2 km radius of the survey site. These are shown below in Table 2. Furthermore, a total of three GCN Class Survey Licence returns were made from two sites located 1.8 km to the south and two positive GCN Pond Surveys (2017-2018) were identified, the closest located 300 m to the south-west.

Table 2: Granted EPSLs within 2km of survey site

Species	Distance	Direction	Year Granted
BLE,C-PIP, S-PIP	80 m	North-West	2019
GCN	260 m	West	2010

Field Survey

- 3.3 Weather conditions during the daytime assessment are shown in the below table. Temperatures were recorded onsite using an Elitech RC-51 Temperature Logger.

Table 3: Weather conditions during Preliminary Ecological Appraisal

Date	Start	Finish	Temp °C	Wind	Cloud %	Rain	Notes
11/04/2025	10:30	11:30	15	Calm	30	Dry	N/A

Surrounding Habitats

- 3.4 The surveyed field is located in a village setting, surrounded by the Parish Hall to the west, a neighbouring parcel of grazed pasture to the east and cemetery to the south. Residential development can be found further to the east and the village is largely surrounded by farmland which is comprised of further pasture with occasional arable fields which are bordered by a network of hedgerows. The surrounding environment features some blocks of Deciduous Woodland (Priority Habitat) within a 2 km radius, the closest located 500 metres to the north-east at Keycroft Copse and the most notable, Park Copse, which includes ancient and semi-natural woodland, exists 780 m to the south-west. In addition, a significant parcel of Woodpasture and Parkland (BAP Priority Habitat) exists 900 m to the south-east of the site. Several small pockets of Traditional Orchard (Priority Habitat) surround the site within a 2 km radius, the closest lying 1.2 km to the north-east and a parcel of lowland meadow (Priority Habitat) is located 1.8 km to the west of the site.
- 3.5 The broader 2 km study area was assessed for other notable or Priority Habitats, but no further significant habitats were identified within this range. Overall, the surrounding landscape is characterized by a mosaic of agricultural fields, with a concentration of development occurring to the east within the main populated area of the village. This landscape is interspersed with ecological corridors and areas of habitat that will likely provide important resources for local wildlife.

Onsite Habitats

- 3.6 The survey area comprises a plot of grassland that was previously utilised as pasture, which is enclosed by timber post fencing and bordered on the northern boundary by five trees. No standing waterbodies exist within the survey boundary and no ponds are to be destroyed or impacted by the proposed change of use of the site.
- 3.7 The individual habitat types recorded at the site are described under the sub-headings below, using the UK Habitat Classification (UKHab) framework, with the location and extent of each illustrated in the Habitat Map in Figure 2.

g4 - Modified grassland

- 3.8 It is understood that the grassland was previously used as equestrian grazed permanent pasture and has a current sward height of <10 cm. The grassland is dominated by perennial rye grass *Lolium perenne* and cocks foot *Dactylis glomerata*, with scattered occasional herbaceous species such as meadow buttercup *Ranunculus acris* and ribwort plantain *Plantago lanceolata*. Marginal areas in the south-western corner and along the western boundary have been colonised by stands of taller forbs such as nettle *Urtica dioica* and bitter dock *Rumex obtusifolius*. Patches of bare ground were also present in various areas of the site, associated with historic foot traffic and grazing pressure, contributing minor microhabitat variation within the otherwise uniform short sward.

Individual Trees

- 3.9 Five mature common hawthorn *Crataegus monogyna* trees grow along the northern roadside boundary of the field. These have an average diameter at breast height (DBH) measurements of 25 cm. In addition to these trees, a young black locust *Robinia pseudoacacia* grows in the south-western corner and an elder *Sambucus nigra* grows midway along the southern boundary. It is understood that no trees are to be removed under the proposed change of use of the site.

Notable Flora

- 3.10 Except for two limited areas where nettle has colonised, the margins of the field are largely well-managed, therefore, no notable plant species were identified during the survey and no Schedule 8 or 9 plant species of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) were identified on site. An overview of plant species is shown in Table 5: Plant Species Recorded Onsite.

Local waterbodies

- 3.11 Through use of the MAGIC website, a single pond was identified within a 250 m radius of the site boundary at grid reference: SU 09413 86016, approximately 70 m to the north-east of the site. This pond was accessed for HSI assessment – See Table 4.

Species

Bats

- 3.12 The five mature hawthorns present along the northern boundary were assessed for Potential Roosting Features (PRFs) due to their proximity to the proposed area of works, although none were found to offer value to roosting bats due to the lack of suitable features, such as rot holes or flaking bark.
- 3.13 No structures exist within the survey boundary or within close proximity to the site. Surrounding habitats, such as the rows of trees that border the cemetery to the south represent suitable linear foraging and commuting habitat for bats, however, these are not immediately adjacent to the site.

Badger

- 3.14 Habitats within the survey boundary will offer value to commuting and foraging badgers, although no badger setts or further evidence of badger activity was discovered onsite or within a 30 m radius of the site where accessible.

Dormouse

- 3.15 Onsite boundary vegetation is limited to a low number of trees which are spaced a reasonable distance apart. No suitable habitat links exist between these trees and the nearby hedgerows that could link to surrounding areas of woodland that may support populations of dormouse and no evidence of dormouse activity was discovered during the site assessment. Therefore, the presence of hazel dormice can be reasonably discounted and the species is not considered further within this report.

European Hedgehog

- 3.16 No evidence of hedgehog was discovered during the site visit, though the grassland would offer some value for commuting and foraging activity.

Nesting birds

- 3.17 No notable bird species were recorded on site and no bird nests were identified within the survey boundary. Although the low number of trees would offer value for nesting activity by an assemblage of local bird species.

Reptiles and Amphibians

- 3.18 No evidence of reptiles or amphibians was found during the site assessment and no ponds are present within the survey boundary as defined in Figure 2, therefore lacking suitable onsite breeding habitat for amphibians, including GCN. Terrestrial habitats within the survey area comprising a field with a short sward height is considered to hold negligible/low value with no notable areas of refuge noted for commuting and sheltering herpetofauna.

- 3.19 A Habitat Suitability Index assessment was undertaken on the large pond, situated approximately 70 m from the field, to assess its suitability for use by breeding amphibians. The assessment of the pond equates to a classification of Good suitability (see Table 4 below). This pond is also enclosed by a stone wall and located the other side of Church Place Rd, which will likely serve as significant dispersal barriers to amphibians

Table 4: Habitat Suitability Index Assessment Scores

	Pond Name	Nearby Pond
HSI No	SI Description	SI Value
1	Geographic location	1
2	Pond area	1
3	Pond permanence	0.9
4	Water quality	0.67
5	Shade	1
6	Water fowl effect	0.67
7	Fish presence	0.67
8	Pond Density	0.9
9	Terrestrial habitat	0.33
10	Macrophyte cover	0.8
HSI Score		0.76
Pond suitability		Good

4 DISCUSSION & RECOMMENDATIONS

Proposals

- 4.1 The proposal is for the change of use of the field to a community recreational area. The purpose of the survey was to undertake an appraisal of the site for its potential ecological value to notable and protected wildlife, and to look for evidence of such species. The survey results provide information to determine the likely ecological impact the proposed change of use will have on protected species and onsite habitats, and to inform the level of further survey effort and mitigation required to comply with relevant nature conservation policies and legislation.

Habitats

- 4.2 As part of the desk study, online resource MAGIC was checked for statutory and non-statutory designated sites, with one identified within a 2 km radius. However, no impacts to the designated site or habitats beyond the site boundaries are anticipated provided nocturnal lighting recommendations included in this report are adhered to.

- 4.3 Habitats within the survey boundary are dominated by the short-mown modified grassland which is widespread both locally and nationally. Consideration was given to the presence of rare plants at site margins, though none were discovered during the survey effort. Whilst it is acknowledged that the survey was undertaken at a suboptimal period for botanical surveying, given the well-managed and disturbed nature of the field, which is lacking in rough marginal habitat, the field was considered unlikely to support rare plants. As such, further botanical survey effort is not recommended.
- 4.4 The proposed development comprises a *change of use* of a grazed paddock to a community recreational field, with no operational development currently proposed. As such, the proposals are unlikely to give rise to any significant direct or indirect ecological impacts. The site is of low ecological value, dominated by short-mown improved grassland with a small number of boundary trees, none of which offer potential roosting features for bats. The absence of built structures or ponds, along with the retention of all habitats, limits the potential for harm to notable or protected species.

Species

Bats

- 4.5 No suitable roosting habitat was identified within the survey boundary during the assessment of the site, although, linear features such as the boundary trees can be important for commuting and foraging activity in bats. The change of use is not expected to result in any loss or modification of roosting or foraging habitats. However, if external lighting is introduced in future, sensitive design must be adopted to maintain dark corridors.

Nocturnal Lighting Measures

- 4.6 The insensitive use of external lighting within the site could have a negative impact upon bats using the field for foraging and commuting activity.
- 4.7 As suitable bat habitat occurs within the nearby surrounding environment, low-level lighting measures should be implemented during and after construction to avoid indirect disturbance to bats and other nocturnal animal species that may exploit local habitats. Measures must be taken to ensure nocturnal animals are safeguarded from inappropriate use of light and noise throughout the hours of night during the construction period, as well as to protect important commuting corridors for bats. Any external lighting installed as part of the development must be used in accordance with Guidance Note 08/23: Bats and Artificial Lighting⁹.
- 4.8 Sensitive lighting strategy measures during the construction period are as follows:
- Works must not be carried out after dusk and must not commence until after dawn.

⁹ <https://theilp.org.uk/publication/guidance-note-8-bats-and-artificial-lighting/>

- Generators and machinery that emit significant noise levels must not be left to run after dusk.
- LED lighting sources must be used, which generally have a narrower and more directional beam.
- Light spill must be controlled and if lighting is required at night, hooded shields must be fitted to prevent spill onto nearby habitats that are likely to support wildlife, including nearby trees and hedgerows.
- Lighting must not be directed towards any bat or bird compensation features.

4.9 In addition to the above, when selecting appropriate external lighting, the following specifications should be taken into consideration:

- Any external lighting incorporated into the proposed development should be LED luminaires due to their sharp cut-off, lower intensity, good colour rendition and dimming capability.
- Luminaires should feature peak wavelengths higher than 550nm to avoid the component of light most disturbing to bats¹⁰.
- All luminaires should lack UV elements when manufactured. Metal halide, fluorescent sources should not be used¹¹

Badger

4.10 Whilst no evidence of badgers or sett building was found within the survey boundary or in adjacent habitats within 30 m of the zone of impact, it is possible that the site is used for commuting purposes, and individuals may occasionally access the survey area to forage for earthworms and other prey. The change of use retains all habitats and poses no barrier to commuting or foraging. As all onsite habitats are to be retained, no impacts to badger are anticipated as a result of the proposed change of use of the field and no further survey effort is recommended.

European Hedgehog

4.11 No evidence of hedgehog was discovered onsite and no impacts to hedgehog are anticipated as a result of the proposed change of use of the field. However, if closed fencing is required at any point, provisions should be made to ensure hedgehogs can continue to access the site for commuting and foraging purposes. This can be achieved by incorporating gaps in each boundary line (including under gates), measuring at least 130 mm × 130 mm, to allow free movement across the site.

Reptiles and Amphibians

4.12 As no suitable aquatic habitat in the form of ponds or other standing waterbodies is present within the survey boundary, the site itself is not considered suitable as breeding habitat for great crested newt (GCN) populations. The short, grazed grassland dominating the site is also considered to hold

¹⁰ Stone, E.L. (2013) *Bats and lighting: Overview of current evidence and mitigation*

¹¹ Bat Conservation Trust & Institute of Lighting Professionals (ILP) 2023. *Guidance Note 08/23: Bats and artificial lighting in the UK. Bats and the Built Environment Series.*

negligible value for local reptile and amphibian populations due to the lack of suitable refuge or foraging opportunities.

- 4.13 Although a pond approximately 70 m to the northeast was assessed as having 'Good' suitability to support GCN based on Habitat Suitability Index (HSI) scoring, its location beyond Church Place Road - along with the presence of physical barriers such as stone walls - makes the likelihood of regular amphibian movement into the site very low.
- 4.14 As all onsite habitats are to be retained and no habitat loss or fragmentation will occur, no impacts to reptiles or amphibians are anticipated as a result of the proposed change of use of the field, and no further survey effort is recommended.

Nesting birds

- 4.15 No evidence of nesting was discovered during the site assessment, however, the mature hawthorns would undoubtedly offer value to a variety of local bird species. No direct or indirect impacts to these trees are expected, as such impacts to nesting birds can be reasonably discounted.
- 4.16 It should be noted for the future management of these trees that impacts to nesting birds can be avoided by timing works outside the bird nesting season which generally runs between February-August, or by ensuring a site visit is carried out by a suitably qualified ecologist ahead of works commencing. Irrespective of the time of year, if nesting birds are discovered, an area around the nest site should be protected from disturbance with a suitable fence (not HERAs fencing) that should include an appropriate buffer zone. Work should then be avoided in this area until the nest is no longer in use. Buffer zones in this respect will normally be 5m in diameter, and will be delineated by canes, cordon tape and signage.
- 4.17 Although considered unlikely, should any impacts to protected species be determined during the proposed change of use of the field, the appointed ecologist must be contacted immediately. If an adverse effect is identified, it is possible that a European Protected Species Licence may be required from Natural England to proceed.

Biodiversity Net Gain

- 4.18 Under the Environment Act 2021, mandatory Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) applies only to developments that are subject to planning permission and involve *operational development* resulting in habitat loss or modification. As this proposal relates solely to a *change of use*, with no physical development or habitat loss proposed, the requirement for a statutory BNG assessment does not apply at this stage. Should future proposals include built infrastructure or alterations to existing land cover, a formal BNG metric assessment may then be required

4.19 Nonetheless, in accordance with the NPPF (2024), which encourages Local Planning Authorities to seek biodiversity enhancements where possible, a proportionate recommendation is made to support ecological resilience and long-term habitat value.

4.20 One suitable option is the planting of *native standard trees* along the site boundary to provide long-term foraging opportunities, shelter, and structural diversity for wildlife. Recommended native species of local provenance include:

- **Pedunculate oak** (*Quercus robur*)
- **Field maple** (*Acer campestre*)
- **Wild cherry** (*Prunus avium*)
- **Silver birch** (*Betula pendula*)
- **Rowan** (*Sorbus aucuparia*)

4.21 Trees should be planted during the dormant season (November–March), using appropriate tree guards and maintenance schedules to ensure successful establishment and longevity.

APPENDIX A: PLANTS RECORDED¹²

Table 5: Indicative plant list recorded on site

Scientific Name	Common Name	DAFOR*
g4 - Modified grassland		
<i>Lolium perenne</i>	Perennial ryegrass	D
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	Cocks foot	D
<i>Poa annua</i>	Annual meadow grass	F
<i>Urtica dioica</i>	Nettle	O
<i>Taraxacum sp.</i>	Dandelion	F
<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	Creeping Thistle	R
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	White clover	O
<i>Rumex obtusifolius</i>	Bitter dock	O
<i>Ranunculus acris</i>	Meadow buttercup	A
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	Ribwort plantain	F
g4~203 - Trees		

¹² Plant names according to Rose F, O'Reilly C (2006) The Wild Flower Key, Revised Edition. Penguin Books, London.

<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	Common hawthorn	D
<i>Sambucus nigra</i>	Elder	-
<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	Black locust	-

*D = Dominant, A = Abundant, F = Frequent, O = Occasional, R = Rare

APPENDIX B: LEGISLATION SUMMARY

Habitats Directive

Species listed in the Habitats Directive 1992 (transposed into UK law through the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 and subsequently 2017 as amended) for which it is illegal to deliberately capture, kill or disturb any individual, or deliberately damage or destroy a breeding site or resting site. In 2007 and 2009, the Habitats Regulations were amended to define illegal disturbance as that which would affect the ability of a significant group of animals of a European Protected Species to survive, breed or to rear or nurture their young, or to hibernate or migrate, or to affect the local distribution or abundance of the species.

Natural Environment and Rural Communities (NERC) Act 2006

The act to makes provision about bodies concerned with the natural environment and rural communities; to make provision in connection with wildlife, Sites of Special Scientific Interest, National Parks and the Broads; to amend the law relating to rights of way; to make provision as to the Inland Waterways Amenity Advisory Council; to provide for flexible administrative arrangements in connection with functions relating to the environment and rural affairs and certain other functions; and for connected purposes.

Countryside and Rights of Way (CRoW) Act 2000

The CRoW applies to England and Wales only, enforcing a statutory policy for biodiversity conservation. The UK Biodiversity Action Plan (BAP) provides the framework for fulfilling the UK's responsibilities towards the Convention on Biological Diversity. The CRoW Act is compliant with the provisions of the European Convention on Human Rights, requiring consultation where the rights of the individual may be affected by these measures.

The Conservation of Habitats & Species Regulations 2017 (the Habitat Regulations) (as amended)

The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended) consolidate the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 with subsequent amendments. The Regulations transpose Council Directive 92/43/EEC, on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora (EC Habitats Directive), into national law. They also transpose elements of the EU Wild Birds Directive in England and Wales. The Regulations came into force on 30th November

2017 and extend to England and Wales (including the adjacent territorial sea) and to a limited extent in Scotland (reserved matters) and Northern Ireland (excepted matters). In Scotland, the Habitats Directive is transposed through a combination of the Habitats Regulations 2010 (in relation to reserved matters) and the and the Conservation (Natural Habitats &c.) Regulations 1994. The Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995 (as amended) transpose the Habitats Directive in relation to Northern Ireland.

Bats

In England and Wales, bats and their roosts are protected under the Conservation of Species and Habitats Regulations 2017 (as amended) and the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended). Taken together, this legislation makes it an offence to:

- Deliberately capture (or take), injure or kill a bat
- Intentionally or recklessly disturb a group of bats where the disturbance is likely to significantly affect the ability of the animals to survive, breed, or nurture their young or likely to significantly affect the local distribution or abundance of the species whether in a roost or not
- Damage or destroy the breeding or resting place of a bat
- Possess a bat (alive or dead) or any part of a bat
- Intentionally or recklessly obstruct access to a bat roost
- Sell (or offer for sale) or exchange bats (alive or dead) or parts of bats

A roost is defined as being 'any structure or place that is used for shelter or protection' and since bats regularly move roost site throughout the year, a roost retains such designation whether or not bats are present at the time.

Reptiles

All native British species of reptile (of which there are six) are listed in Schedule Five of the Wildlife and Countryside Act (1981) (as amended) and as such are protected from deliberate killing, injury or trade. Therefore, where development is permitted and there will be a significant change in land use, a reasonable effort must be undertaken to remove reptiles off site to avoid committing an offence. The same act makes the trading of native reptile species a criminal offence without an appropriate licence.

Great Crested Newts

Great crested newts and their habitats receive protection under The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended). This species is also afforded full protection under the Schedule 5 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended). Under such legislation it is an offence to:

- Intentionally or recklessly kill, injure or capture a great crested newt;
- Possess or control any live or dead specimen or anything derived from a great crested newt;
- Intentionally or recklessly* damage, destroy or obstruct access to any structure or place used for shelter or protection by a great crested newt; and

- Intentionally or recklessly* disturb a great crested newt while it is occupying a structure or place which it uses for that purpose.
- Damage or destroy a breeding site or resting place.
- Sell, barter, exchange or transport or offer for sale great crested newts or parts of them.

*Reckless offences were added by the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, which applies only to England and Wales.

Badger

Badger is protected in Britain under the *Protection of Badgers Act 1992* and *Schedule 6 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981* (as amended).

The legislation affords protection to Badgers and Badger setts and makes it a criminal offence to:

- wilfully kill, injure, take, possess or cruelly ill-treat a Badger, or to attempt to do so;
- interfere with a sett by damaging or destroying it;
- to obstruct access to, or any entrance of, a Badger sett; or
- to disturb a Badger when it is occupying a sett.

Dormouse

The dormouse has undergone substantial declines in recent years as a result of habitat loss, deterioration and fragmentation and is consequently protected as a 'European Protected Species' under the 2017 Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations, which implements the EC Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC in the United Kingdom. In relation to European Protected Species (EPS), the 2017 Regulations make it an offence to:

- Deliberately capture, injure or kill any wild animal of a EPS;
- Deliberately disturb wild animals of any such species, in particular any disturbance which is likely to: (i) impair their ability to survive, to breed or reproduce, or to rear or nurture their young; or to hibernate or migrate or (ii) affect significantly the local distribution or abundance of the species to which they belong;
- Damage or destroy a breeding site or resting place of such an animal; and/or
- To (a) be in possession of, or to control; (b) to transport any live or dead animal or any part of an animal; (c) to sell or exchange or (d) offer for sale or exchange any live or dead animal or part of an animal of an EPS.

In addition, Dormice are protected under the 1981 Wildlife and Countryside Act (as amended).

Dormice are listed on Schedule 5 of the Act and are subject to the provisions of Sections 9.4b and 9.4c, which make it an offence to:

- Intentionally or recklessly disturb a Dormouse while it is occupying a structure or place which it uses for shelter or protection; and/or

- Intentionally or recklessly obstruct access to any structure or place used for shelter or protection by a Dormouse.

Birds

All common wild birds are protected under The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (and as amended).

Under this legislation it is an offence to:

- Kill, injure or take any wild bird
- Take, damage or destroy the nest of any wild bird while it is in use or being built
- Take or destroy the egg of any wild bird

Certain rare breeding birds are listed on Schedule 1 of The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (and as amended). Under this legislation they are afforded the same protection as common wild birds and are also protected against disturbance whilst building a nest or on or near a nest containing eggs/unfledged young.

APPENDIX C: MAPS & SITE PLANS

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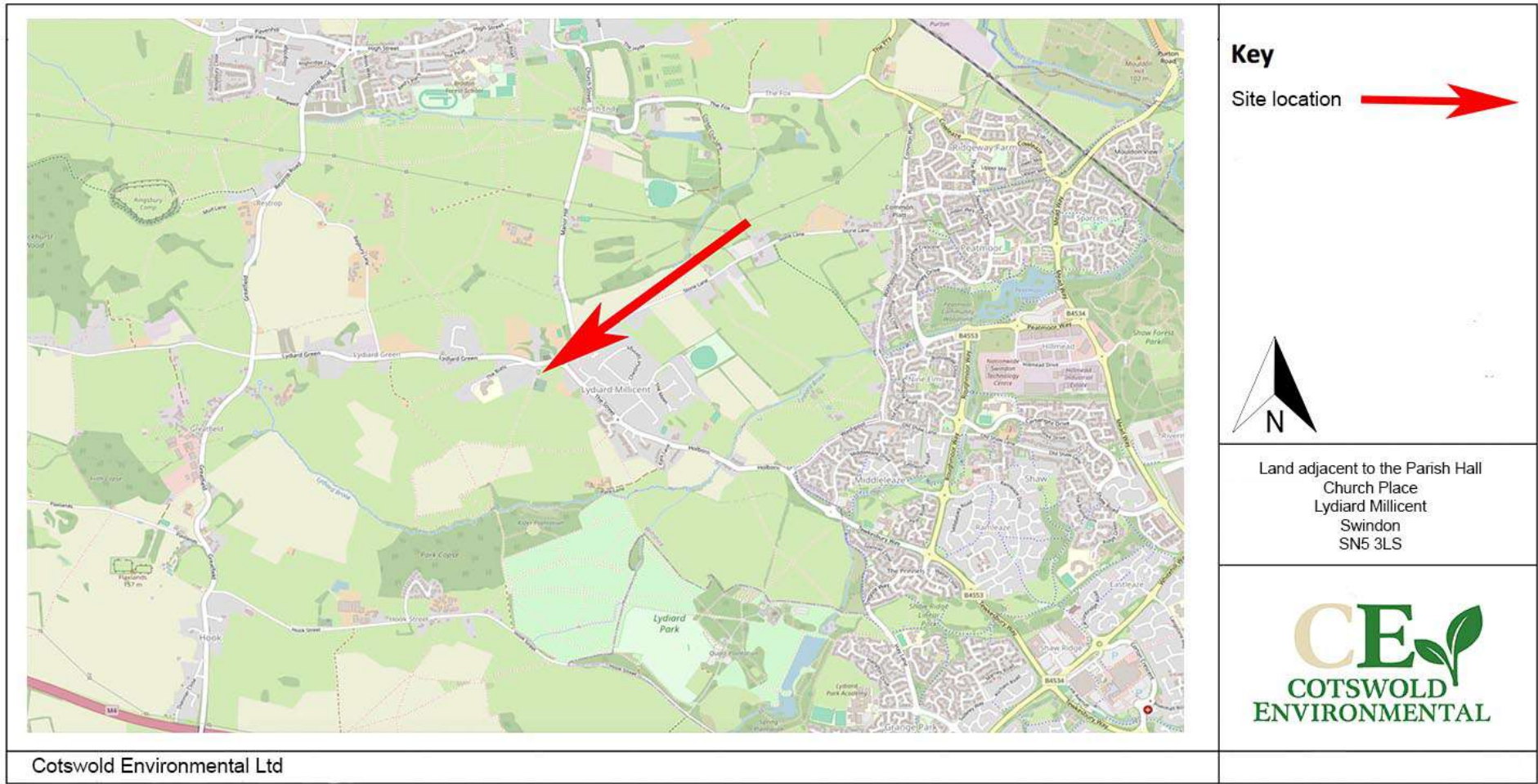




Figure 1: Location Map



Key

Survey boundary 

g4 modified grassland 

Individual tree 



Land adjacent to the Parish Hall
Church Place
Lydiard Millicent
Swindon
SN5 3LS



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Figure 2: Habitat Map

APPENDIX D: SITE IMAGES



Photo 1: South-facing elevation, comprising zone of impact for proposed extension.



Photo 2: View of the site from the SE corner



Photo 3: View of the field from the south looking north



Photo 4: Timber post fencing to western boundary



Photo 5: Two of the five mature hawthorns growing at the northern boundary



Photo 6: Young black locust tree growing in the SW corner



Photo 7: Stand of nettle growing along the western boundary



Photo 8: Nearby pond located 70 m to the NE