

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE	Communities, Housing & Infrastructure
DATE	17 May 2016
DIRECTOR	Pete Leonard
TITLE OF REPORT	Various Small Scale Traffic Management and Development Associated Proposals (New works)
REPORT NUMBER	CHI/16/077
CHECKLIST COMPLETED	Yes/No

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report is to advise this Committee of the need for various small scale traffic management measures identified by officers, residents, local members, emergency services etc. and verified as necessary through surveys by officers. It also brings forward proposals associated with new developments as part of the development management process. In addition to these measures, this report also includes proposals for individual disabled parking bays which now require to be progressed through the normal legal process for the required Traffic Regulation Order.

2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

This Committee: -

- i. Approve the proposals in principle;
- ii. Instruct the appropriate officers to commence the necessary legal procedures of preliminary statutory consultation for the traffic regulation orders required as described in this report. If no significant objections are received, then progress with the public advertisement and report the results to a future meeting of this Committee;
- iii. Instruct the appropriate officers to commence the combined statutory consultation for the traffic regulation order for the list of Blue Badge parking bays and report back to a future meeting of this Committee.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The table below sets out the financial implications and identifies budgets that will be used to implement the proposals set out in this report.

Budget	Implementation costs (£)	Maintenance costs (£)	Comments
Cycle, Walking, Safer Streets (Scot Gov grant-funded)	9025	2875	If budgets are not currently available locations will be placed on a priority list for when future funding becomes available
Developer financed	NIL	440	Maintenance of these works generally falls to the council maintenance budget when they are on-street restrictions
Nestrans / Transport Scotland	Nil	200	Maintenance of these works generally falls to the council maintenance budget when they are on-street restrictions
Disabled Parking	1000	Some of these spaces will require to be relined approximately every 10 years at a cost of £100 per space and some will require removal before this time at a cost of £108 per space.	

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

There is a risk, if funding is insufficient, that any approved traffic regulation orders may have to re-enter the legislative process if they are unable to be implemented within the statutory implementation time of 2 years from the start of public consultation.

5. BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES

There are eight traffic management proposals that are the result of routine examination of road safety and traffic flows, while there is also three proposals related to development, and another funded by NESTRANS/SUSTRANS. It is also proposed to install 13 disabled bays at locations citywide. The rationale for all these proposals is set out below and where necessary detailed in a series of plans within the Appendix to this report.

The following proposals will be funded from the Cycling, Walking, Safer Streets budget

5.1 Cairncry Road / Plane Tree Road - Proposed 'At any time' waiting restrictions

Reports have been received with regard to vehicles parking within very close proximity to the junction of Cairncry Road and Plane Tree Road, which is hampering visibility at this junction in particular when exiting onto Cairncry Road.

Therefore in order to address this issue it is proposed to introduce 'at any time' waiting restrictions in the form of junction protection allowing for increased visibility when negotiating this junction.

Implementation Costs – £250.00

Estimated maintenance costs – £250.00 every 5 years

Ward – Hilton / Woodside / Stockethill

Elected members – George Adam / Neil Copland / Lesley Dunbar

5.2 Cromar Gardens, Kingswells - Proposed 'At any time' waiting restrictions

Following on-site meeting with a resident of Cromar Gardens it was evident that there is a problems with vehicles parking on the west side of Cromar Gardens which causes significant difficulties with residents exiting their driveways opposite, given the angle of their driveways.

Therefore it is proposed to introduce a stretch of 'at any time' waiting restrictions on the west side of Cromar Gardens.

Implementation Costs - £150.00

Estimated maintenance costs - £150.00 every 5 years

Ward – Kingswells / Sheddocksley / Summerhill

Elected members – David Cameron / Steve Delaney / Len Ironside

5.3 Kepplehills Road, Bucksburn – Proposed alternation to existing length of part time 20 mph speed to separate into 2 sections.

Concerns have been highlighted with regard to speeding vehicles and pedestrian safety on Kepplehills Road.

Due to the existing long length off 20 mph speed limit on Kepplehills Road, drivers are not reminded of the speed limit whilst in operation due to the length of the zone. As a consequence, it is proposed to have 2 shorter lengths of part time 20 mph speed limit with a length of 130 metres between where there is no junctions or crossing points.

Implementation Costs - £5,000

Estimated maintenance costs - £100 every 3 years

Ward – Dyce / Bucksburn / Danestone

Elected members – Barney Crocket / Graeme Lawrence / Neil MacGregor / Gill Samarai

5.4 **Kingswood Drive, Kingswells** – Proposed extension of ‘At any time’ waiting restrictions

There are existing ‘double yellow’ lines acting as junction protection at the junction of Kingswood Drive and Kingswood Avenue. There has however been some concern expressed by members of the community that visibility to the south of the junction, when exiting Kingswood Avenue, is hindered by parked cars. For reference, the length of the exiting restriction extends 10 metres from the junction, and it is proposed these restrictions are increased in length by 5 metres to improve visibility. This length of road is adjacent to community shops, services, school etc. and a loss of on-street parking capacity, even for a single vehicle, maybe contentious. Nonetheless, it is considered this modest increase in restrictions, when balancing vehicle movement/safety at this junction would be beneficial, and the wider community should be able to consider this proposal by way of consultation.

Implementation Costs - £25.00

Estimated maintenance costs - £25.00 every 5 years

Ward – Kingswells / Sheddocksley / Summerhill

Elected members – David Cameron / Steve Delaney / Len Ironside

5.5 **Palmerston Area (Palmerston Road, Poynerook Road, Stell Road, Raik Road, Russell Road, Old Ford Road)** – Proposed prohibition of parking on footpath

Over recent months there has been a noticeable rise in the number of motorists opting to park on the footpaths when no on-street parking is available within the Palmerston area, this is causing conflicts and safety concerns with pedestrians whilst also damaging the adopted footpaths.

There is currently a Temporary Traffic Regulation Order (TTRO) in which prohibits vehicles from parking on the footpath but in order for this to address

this problem permanently there is a requirement to progress a permanent Traffic Regulation Order (TRO).

Implementation Costs - £1500.00

Estimated maintenance costs – £750.00 every 10 years

Ward – Torry / Ferryhill

Elected members – Yvonne Allan / Graham Dickson / Alan Donnelly / James Kiddie

5.6 **Pitstruan Place** – Proposed extension of ‘At any time’ waiting restrictions

Concerns have been raised by both a local Councillor and the Community Council with regard to vehicles parking on Pitstruan Place in very close proximity to its junction with Broomhill Road. Vehicles park in such a manner that it narrows the carriageway only allowing for one vehicle to pass through, therefore when vehicles are turning into Pitstruan Place they can often be met by an oncoming vehicle and nowhere to pull into the side and give way without obstructing the junction further.

Therefore in order to address this issue and resemble many of the other junctions off Broomhill Road, it is proposed to extend the current ‘at any time’ waiting restrictions on both sides taking them up to the current speed table.

Implementation Costs - £100.00

Estimated maintenance costs - £100.00 every 5 years

Ward – Airyhall / Broomhill / Garthdee

Elected members – Angela Taylor / Gordon Townson / Ian Yuill

5.7 **Station Road, Milltimber** – Proposed ‘At any time’ waiting restrictions

Changes are to be introduced on the Deeside Way cycle track at Milltimber, the cycle track which currently continues the previous Deeside railway line and requires cyclists/pedestrians to cross Milltimber Brae is to be re-routed onto Station Road and cross at a point further north which in future will also consist of an overbridge as part of the Aberdeen Western Peripheral Route (AWPR).

Following an on-site meeting with a local Councillor and residents, in order to remove the potential parking of vehicles on Station Road which causes difficulty for access given the narrowness of the road it is proposed to introduce ‘at any time’ waiting restrictions on both sides of the road.

Implementation Costs - £1500.00

Estimated maintenance costs - £1500.00 every 5 years

Ward – Lower Deeside

Elected members – Marie Boulton / M. Tauqeer Malik / Aileen Malone

5.8 Wellington Road, Cove – Proposed prohibition of ‘U-turn’ manoeuvres

Since the introduction of the new signalised junction on Wellington Road serving access into the Loirston development and Balmoral Business Park, it has been evident that vehicles are taking the opportunity to make ‘u-turn’ manoeuvres at this junction.

Therefore in order to avoid any hazardous conflicts at this junction as well as the signalised junction with the (old) Wellington Road it is proposed to prohibit vehicles from making such a manoeuvre.

Implementation Costs - £500.00

Estimated maintenance costs – minimal

Ward – Kincorth / Nigg / Cove

Elected members – Neil Cooney / Andrew Finlayson / Stephen Flynn

The following proposal will be funded by NESTRANS / SUSTRANS

5.9 B999 (between A90 Ellon Road and Denmore Road) – Proposed redetermination of footway/pavement to Cycle track

There is currently extensive work to improve cycle infrastructure to the north of the City, with construction underway to introduce a shared cycle track on along the A90 Parkway and extending that on the Ellon Road onto the A90 Ellon Road.

Therefore it is proposed to extend the new cycle track on the A90 Ellon Road onto the B999, in doing so would require the redetermination of the southern footway of the B999 from its junction with A90 Ellon Road and Denmore Road to a cycle track (an unsegregated facility shared by cyclists and pedestrians).

Implementation Costs - £Nil

Estimated maintenance costs – £200.00 every 10 years

Ward – Bridge of Don

Elected members – Muriel Jaffrey / John Reynolds / Sandy Stuart / Willie Young

The following proposals will be funded by developers

5.10 Salisbury Terrace – Proposed ‘At any time’ waiting restrictions

Planning consent has been passed that will allow for the construction of a new flatted development on the corner of Great Western Road and Salisbury Terrace which also includes upgrading an existing car parking access off of Salisbury Terrace.

It is therefore proposed to extend the existing ‘at any time’ waiting restrictions to maintain access and clear visibility, thereby avoiding potential road safety issues.

Implementation Costs - £Nil

Estimated maintenance costs – £100.00 every 5 years

Ward – Airyhall / Broomhill / Garthdee

Elected members – Angela Taylor / Gordon Townson / Ian Yuill

5.11 Fairley Road, Kingswells – Proposed ‘At any time’ waiting restrictions

Adventure Aberdeen is based in premises off Fairley Road (previously Kingswood Nursery). The access to the site is only 3 metres in width and bounded by mature trees and a single lighting column. Previously, it was the case there was a field directly opposite the access and on this field side of the road there was also a daytime waiting restriction to prevent obstructive parking with respect to the previous function of the building as a nursery. In the last couple of years the field has since become the site of a “Dandara” housing development; with the site referred to as “Fairley Grove”.

The issue that has arisen is should cars be parked adjacent to the residential properties on the approach or opposite the access to Adventure Aberdeen it can obstruct access/egress. This is particularly problematic as the centre uses reasonably large vehicles such as mini-buses and at times are also towing canoes or a rock climbing tower. This issue is also not limited to the working day, with vehicles coming and going from the centre throughout the week, and from early morning to later in the evening.

Due to the lighting column and mature trees highlighted at the outset, it would be both problematic and expensive to make any physical adjustments to the current access, so in order to address this problem it is proposed to introduce certain lengths of prohibition of waiting at any time. This should ensure the swept path required for vehicles to access/egress Adventure Aberdeen is kept clear. There is also no real loss in parking, with on-street parking still available on the west side of the road; while the new residential properties have driveways. The restriction has also been limited to the northern side of the access, as Adventure Aberdeen have indicated they would intend to

access/egress the site from the northern side when using larger vehicles / towing trailers.

Implementation Costs - Nil

Estimated maintenance costs - £216.00 every 5 years

Ward – Kingswells / Sheddocksley / Summerhill

Elected members – David Cameron / Steve Delaney / Len Ironside

5.12 **Kirkton Drive, Dyce** – Proposed ‘time limited’ parking bay

On a site adjacent to Kirkton Drive, Dyce, planning consent has been given for the construction of a new helicopter hanger and associated passenger terminal. As would be expected many passengers will be getting dropped off and picked up at the site. In this regard it is proposed to create a ‘time-limited’ length of parking bay on Kirkton Drive that would allow a maximum wait of 20 minutes, with no return within 30 minutes; this bay would be operational throughout the week. The length of bay would be created within a turning circle area where ‘double yellow’ lines currently exist. In this respect the swept paths of large articulated vehicles have been modelled and it has been found such vehicles can still comfortably negotiate the turning circle with the proposed bay in place.

Implementation Costs – Nil

Estimated maintenance – £124.00 every 5 years

Ward – Dyce / Bucksburn / Danestone

Elected members – Barney Crockett / Graeme Lawrence / Neil MacGregor / Gill Samarai

The following proposals will be funded from the Disabled Parking Revenue Budget

- 5.11 **Disabled parking bays to be provided through the Disabled Persons Parking Places (Scotland) Act 2009** **(Plans are not included as under normal circumstances a parking bay will be located close to the property concerned)*

On-street parking – 13 disabled parking bays

49 Donview House	33b School Road
32a Cattofield Place	17 Ruthrie Terrace
8 Craigton Park, Craigton Road	124 Auchinyell Road
170c Clifton Road	16 Grampian Place
128 Willowpark Crescent	26 Portree Avenue
Queens Street, City Centre x3	

Off-street parking

None

6. IMPACT

Improving Customer Experience – The content of the report meets with the local Community Plan objectives to continually improve road safety and maximize accessibility for pedestrians and all modes of transport. As the recommendation is to approve the proposals, there will be a positive impact on current customer experience.

Improving Staff Experience – Not Applicable

Improving our use of Resources – Not Applicable

Corporate – The contents of this report link to the Community Plan vision of creating a “sustainable City with an integrated transport system that is accessible to all”. With respect to the delivery of the Smarter Mobility aims of Aberdeen – *The Smarter City*: “We will develop, maintain and promote road, rail, ferry and air links from the city to the UK and the rest of the world. We will encourage cycling and walking”, and “We will provide and promote a sustainable transport system, including cycling, which reduces our carbon emissions.” These proposals are also in line with the Council’s Transportation Strategy to improve safety for all road users by continuing to reduce the number of casualties in traffic collisions.

Public – There is no Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment required as this report only recommends these proposals progress to the Statutory Consultation process and subsequent public advertisement of the proposed schemes. Accordingly there will be no changes effected as a result of the recommendations being approved by this Committee.

This report will be of interest to the residents/proprietors/businesses within the proposal areas.

7. MANAGEMENT OF RISK

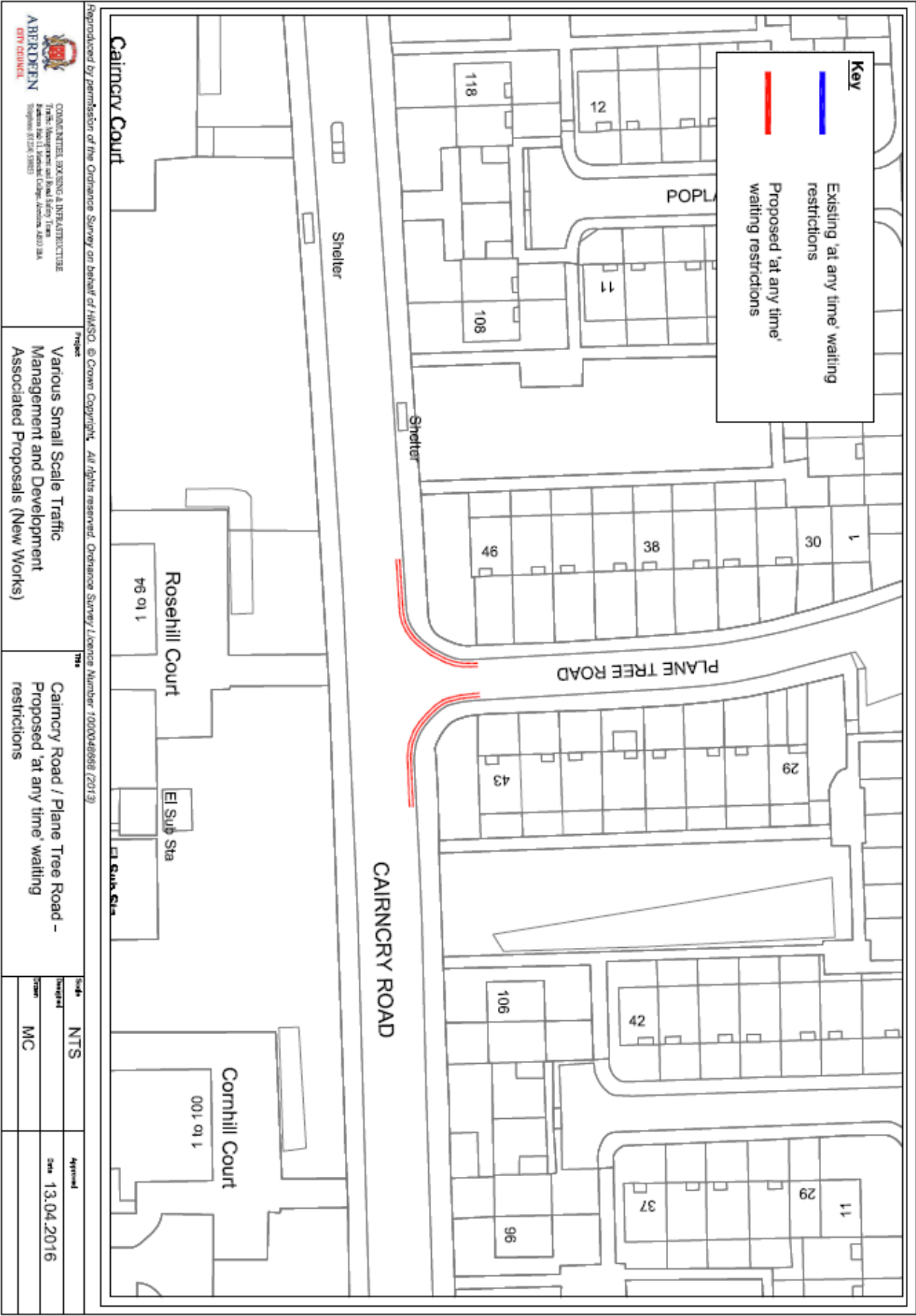
Having assessed the risks identified within all the proposals, and the potential to impact negatively or positively on the decision required of the Committee, it has been assumed that the risk is low. Where recommendations are not accepted with regard to a number of these proposals there is the risk road safety levels and traffic management could be compromised thereby resulting in on-going public concern, negative media reporting, and reputational damage. Conversely, proposals with regard to traffic management measures can often prove contentious and it is therefore possible some of these proposals could be subject to negative feedback/comments. In this respect, concerned parties would be provided with a thorough rationale as to the necessity for the traffic management proposal concerned.

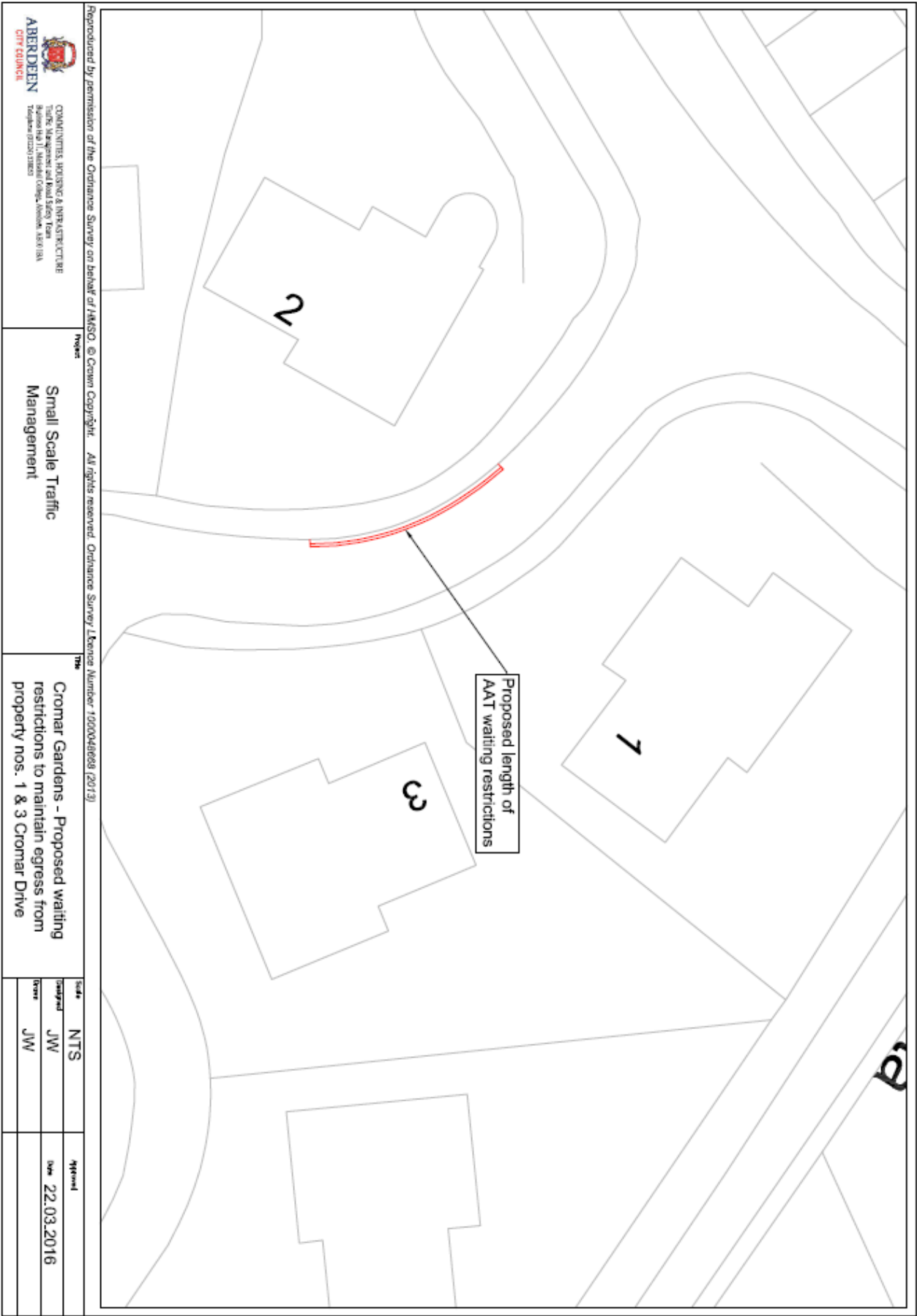
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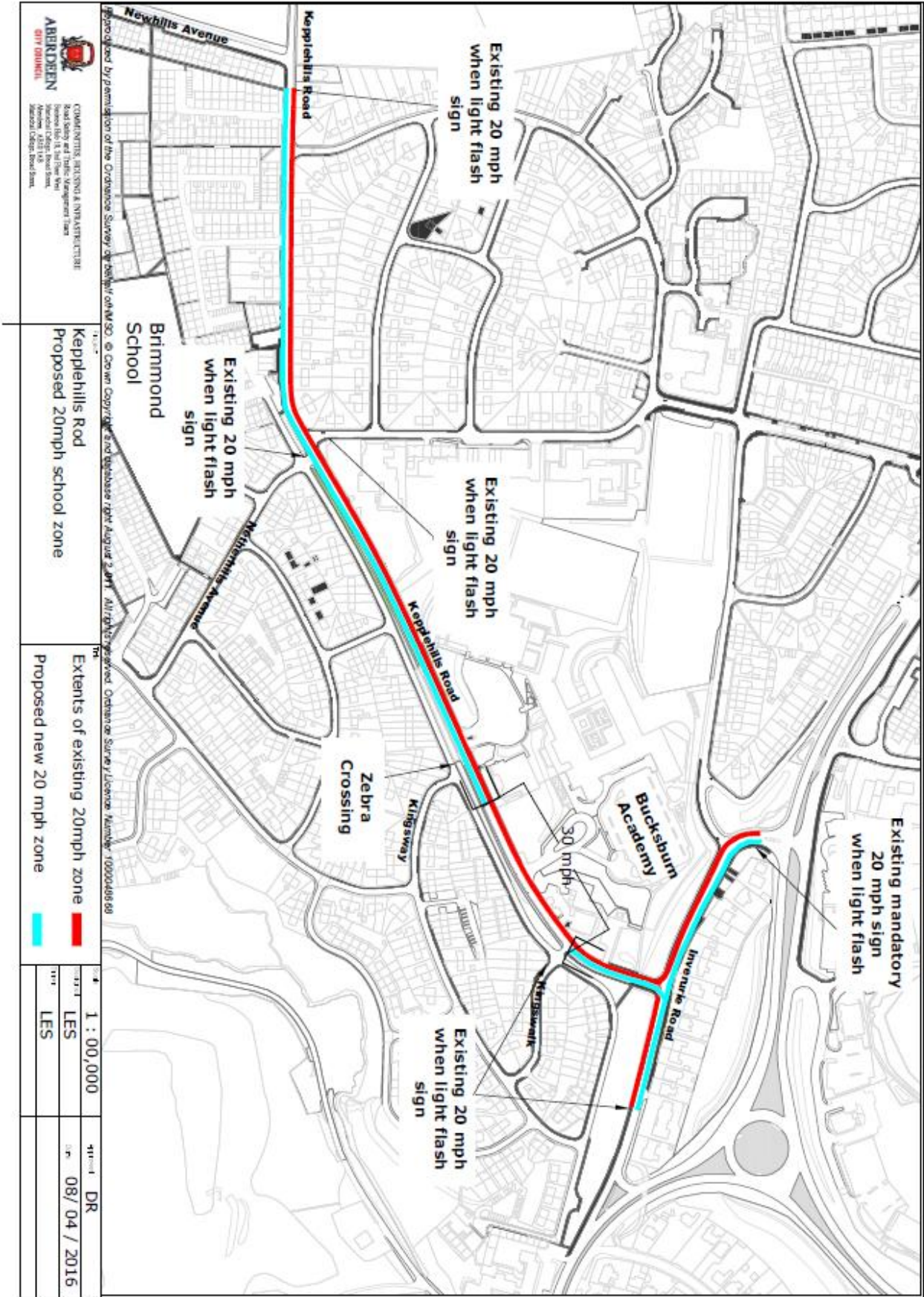
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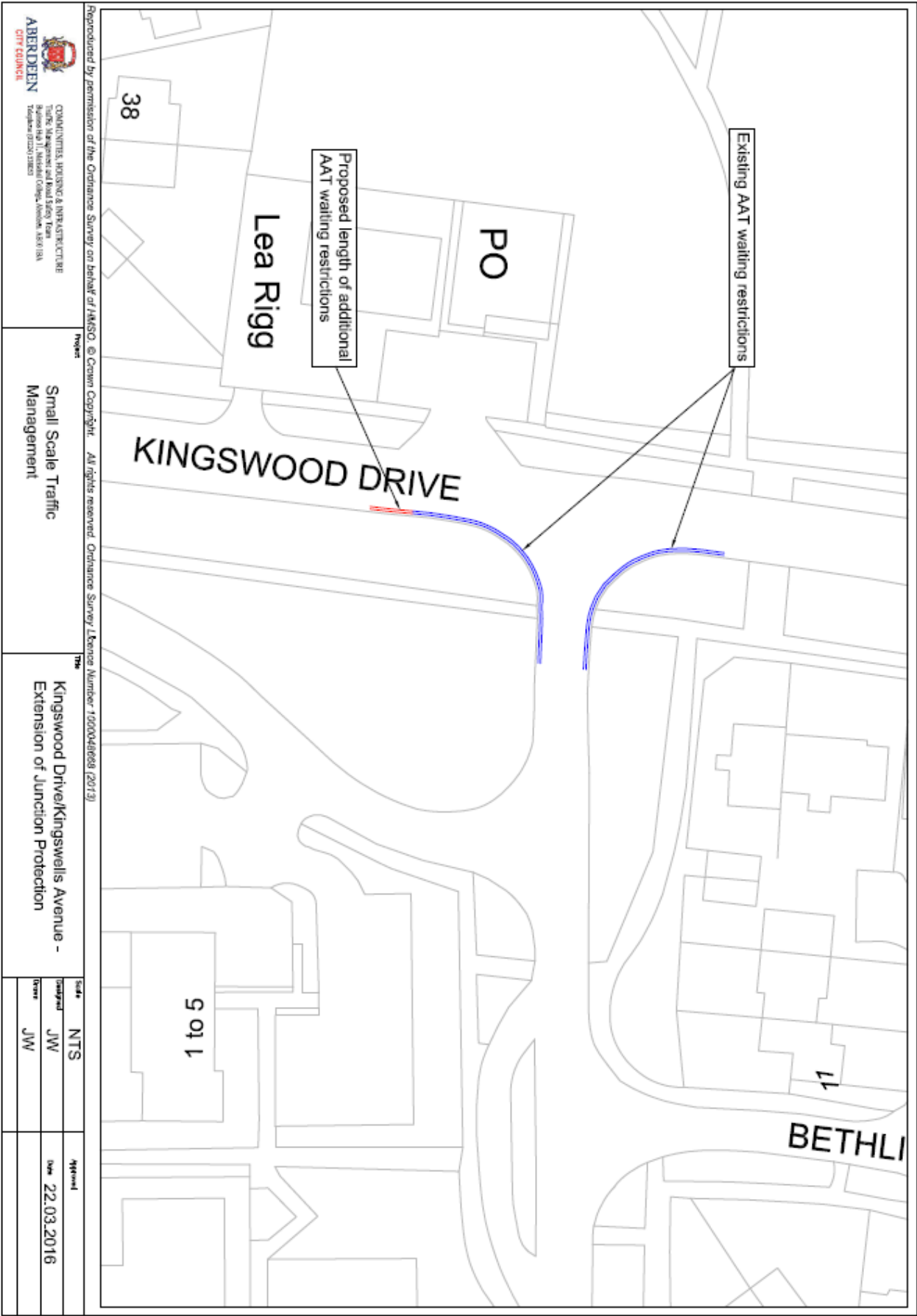
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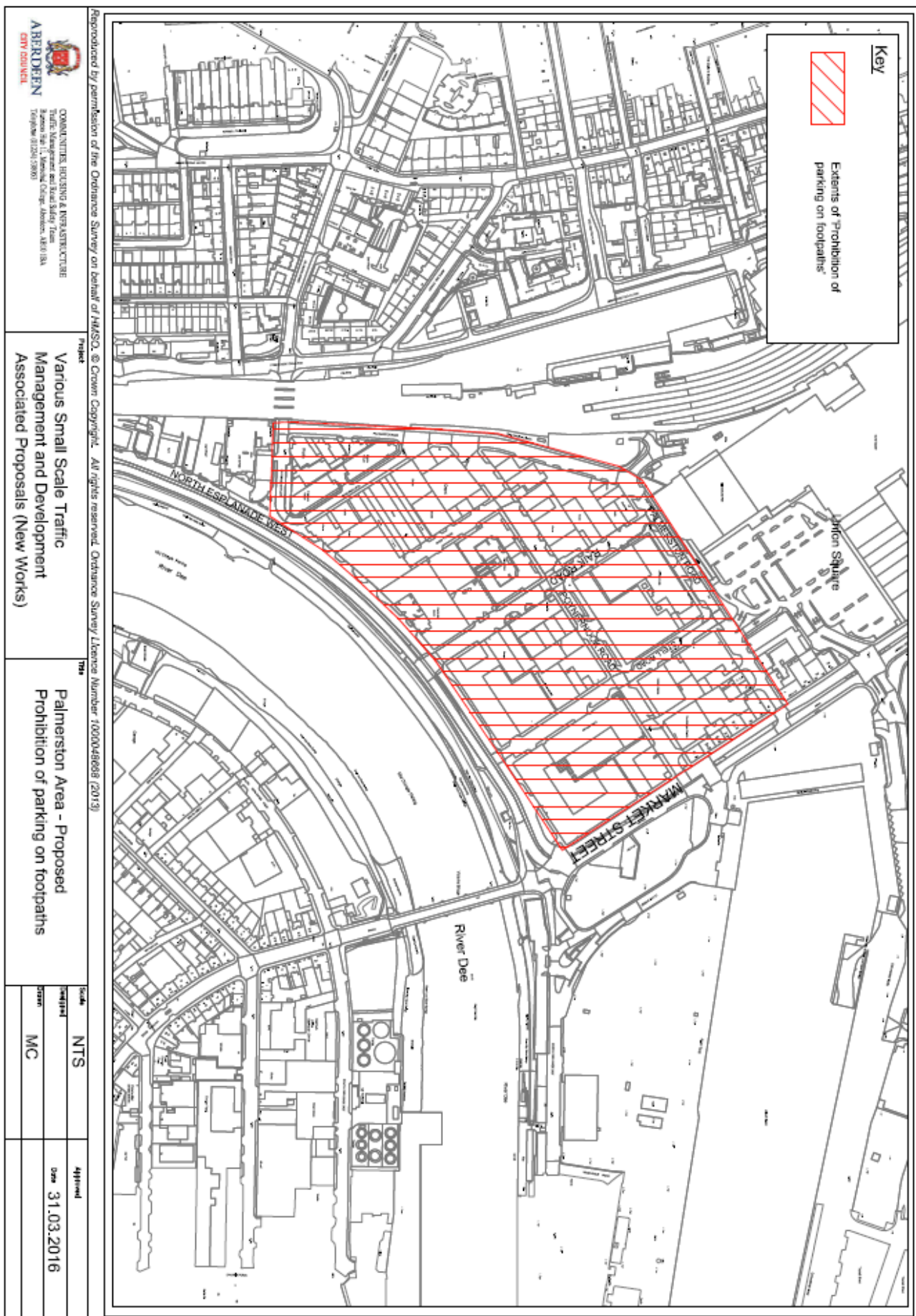
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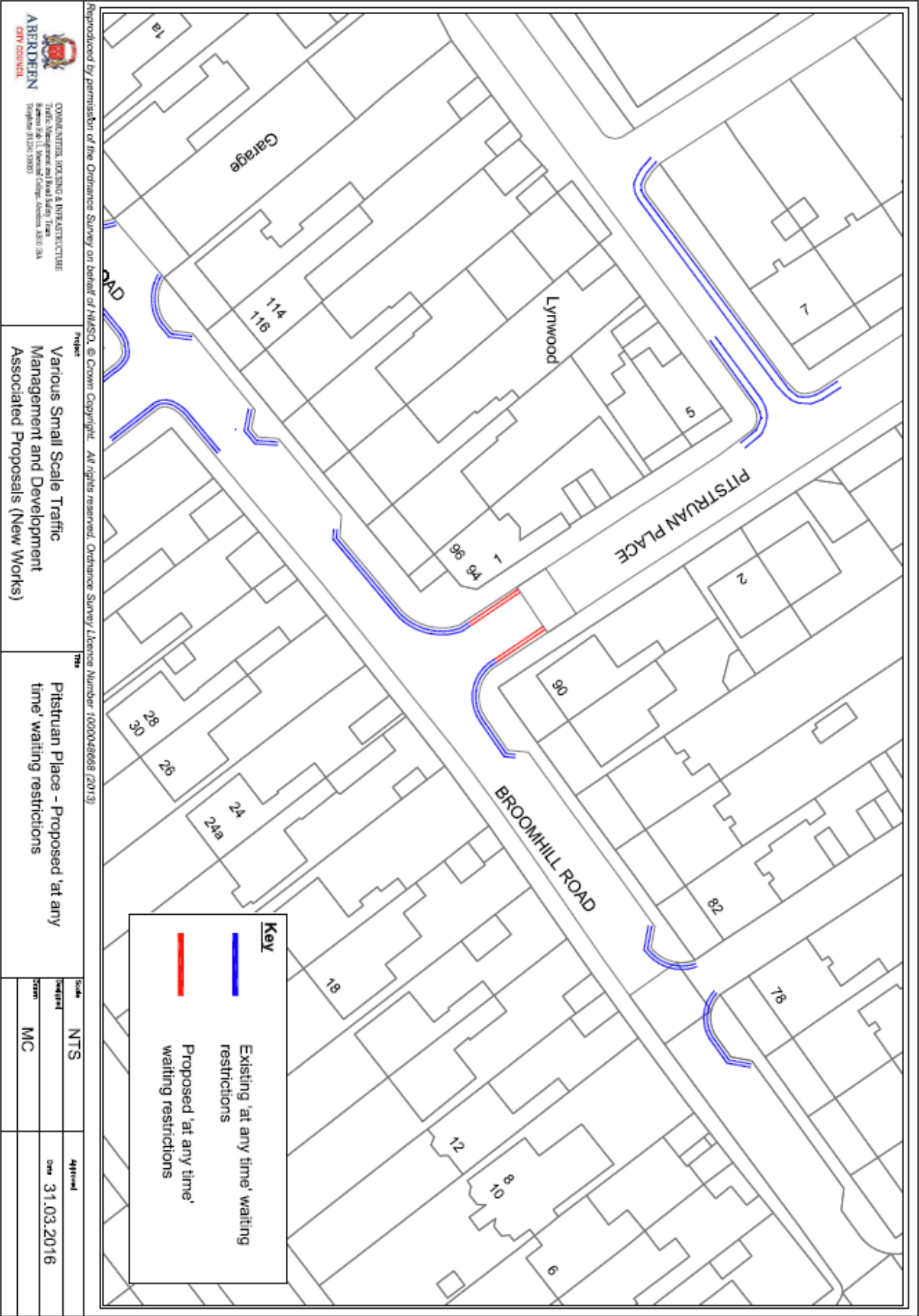


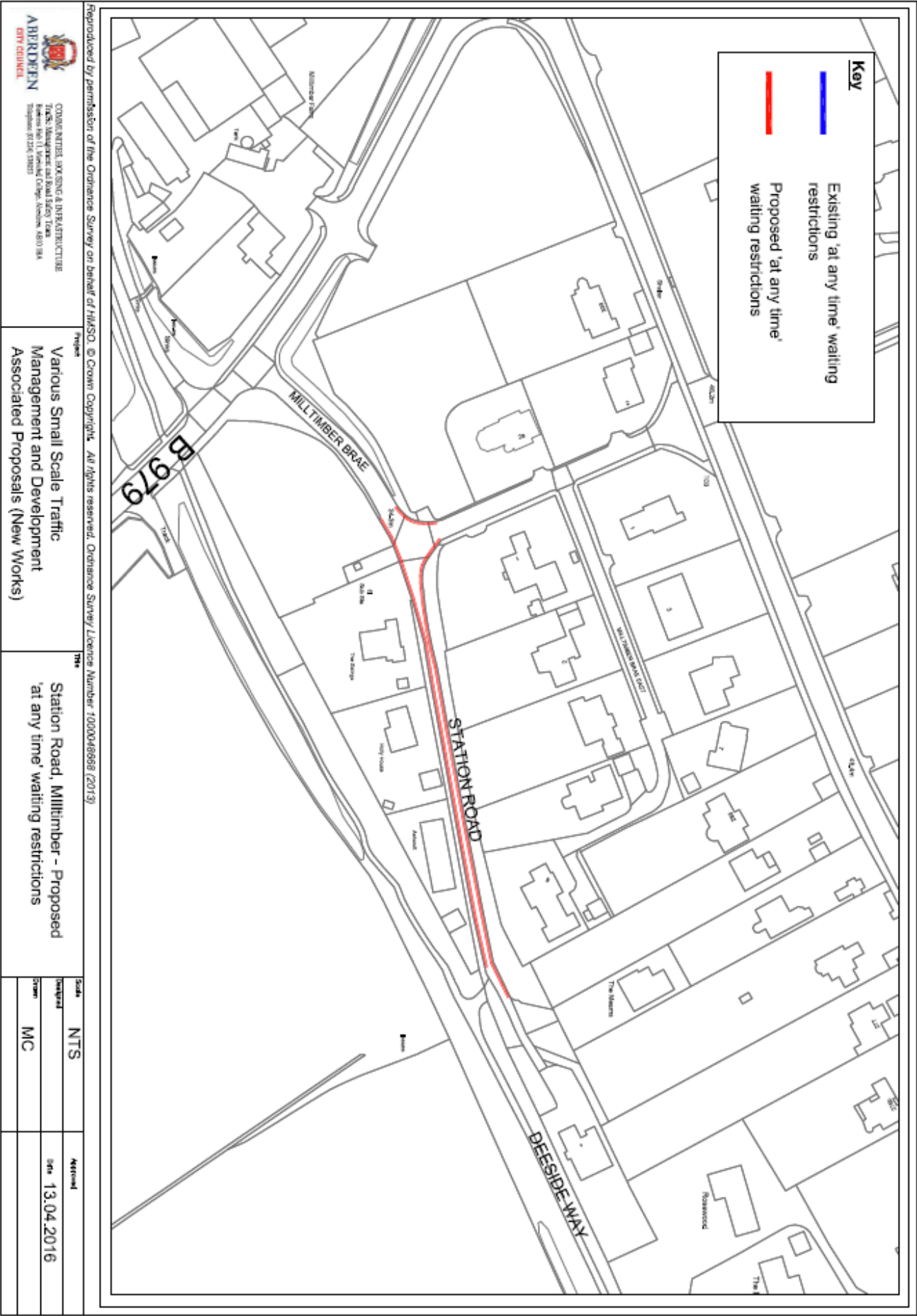


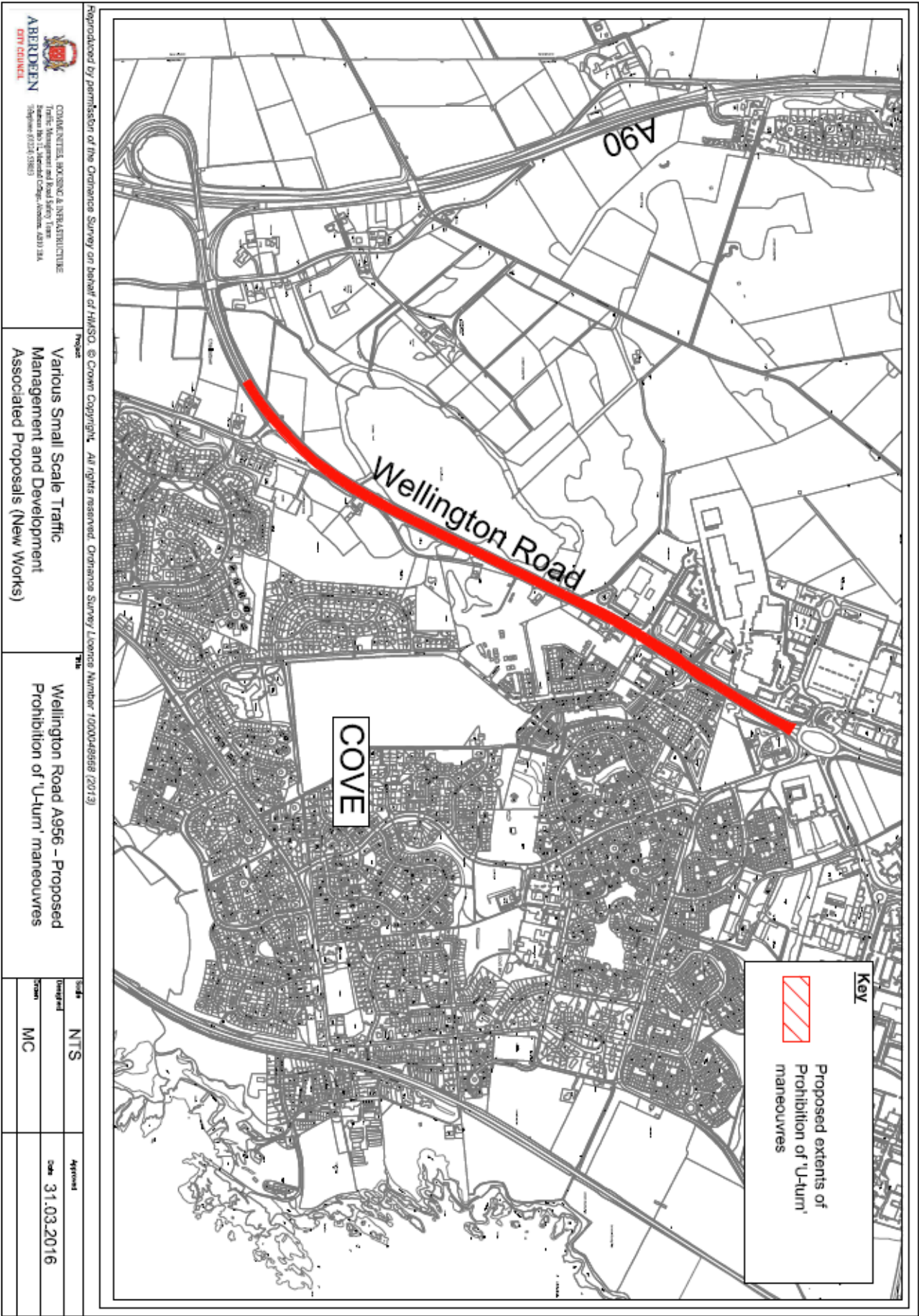


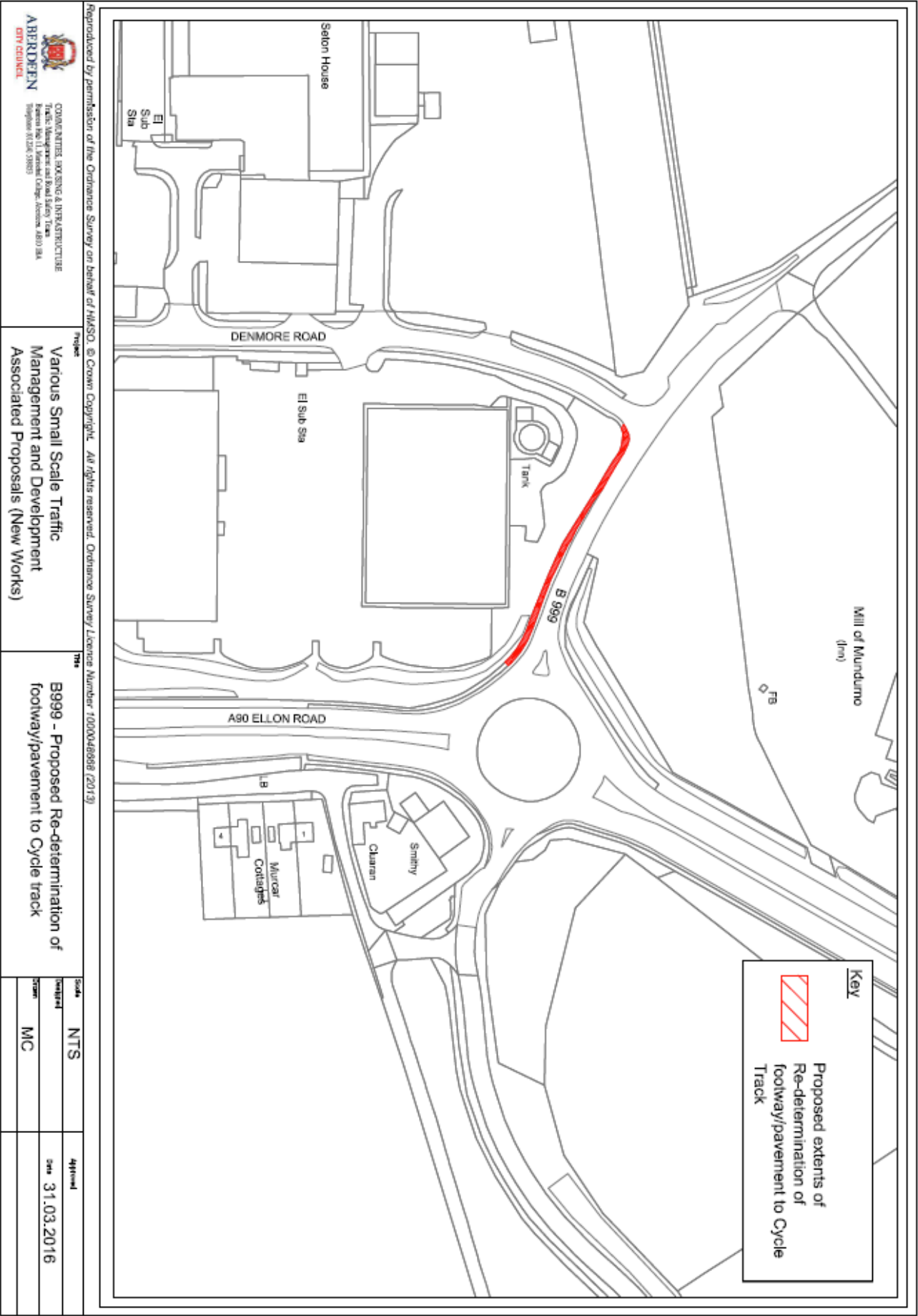


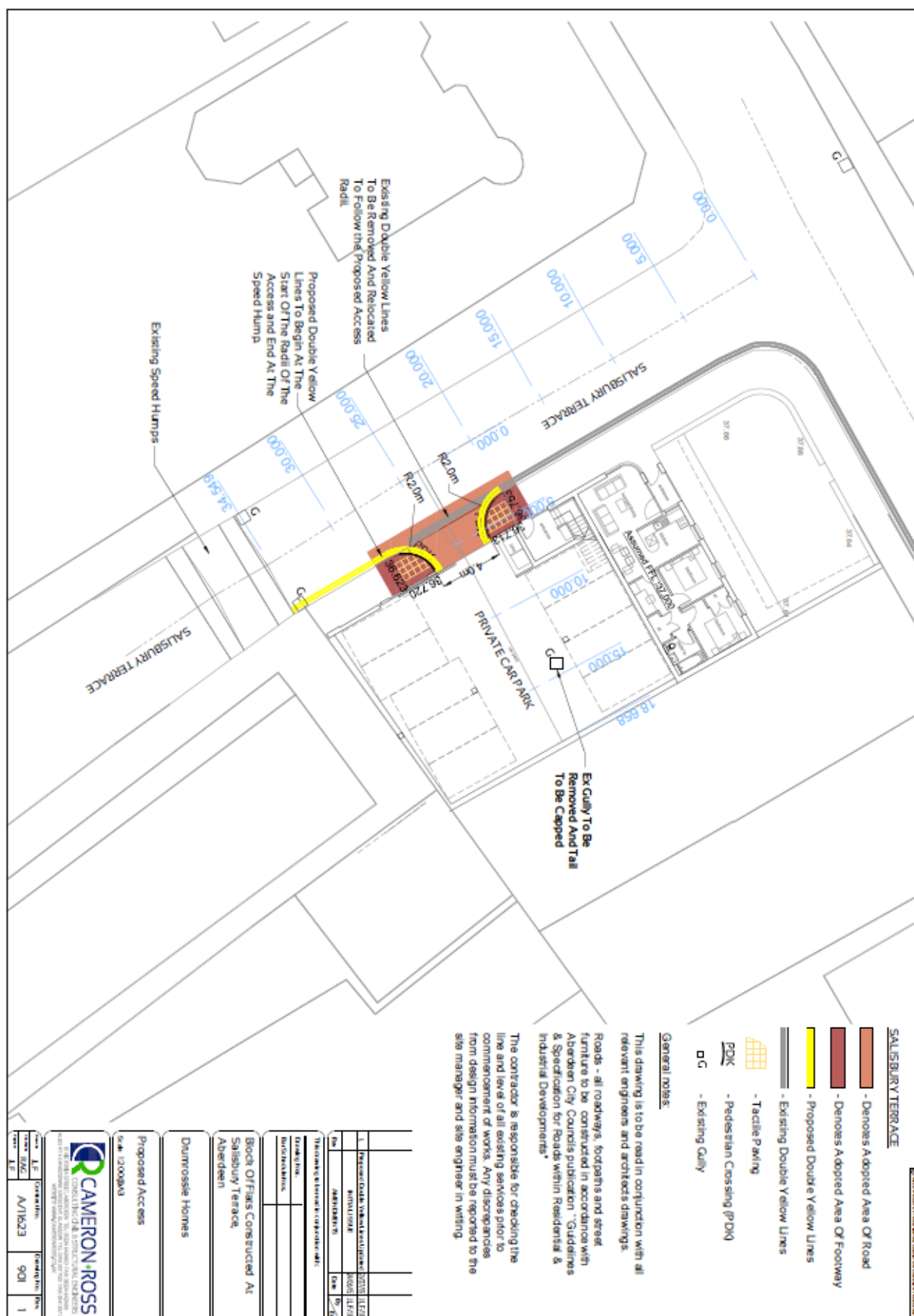




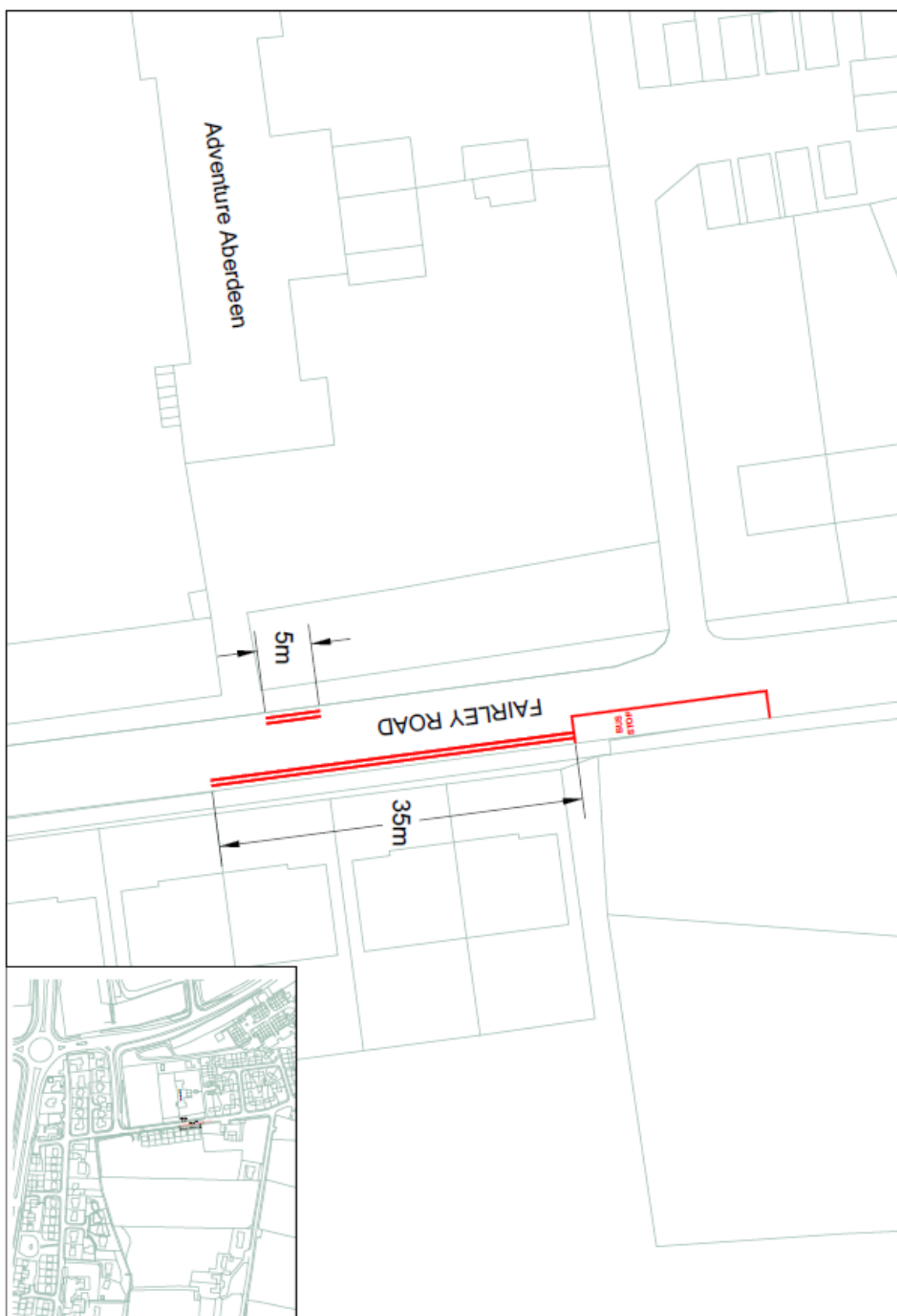








Fairley Road, Kingswells - Proposed lengths of prohibition of waiting at any time



Kirkton Drive, Dyce – Proposed length of 'time-limited' parking bay to provide drop off / pick up parking associated with new passenger terminal for helicopter hanger

