

OFFICER DECISION REPORT - TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (TRO)

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APPROVAL TO PROGRESS TRO

PREPARED BY: Traffic Management Team, Highways and Transport Group

TITLE OF REPORT:	RPZ Entry Hill
PROPOSAL:	Various Waiting and Loading and Parking Restrictions
SCHEME REF No:	22 – 022
REPORT AUTHOR:	Phill Batty (Aecom)

1. DELEGATION

The delegation to be exercised in this report is contained within **Part 3, Section 4** of the Constitution under the **Delegation of Functions to Officers**, as follows:

Section A	The Chief Executive, Strategic Directors, Divisional Directors and Heads of Service have delegated power to take any decision falling within their area of responsibility....”
Section B	Without prejudice to the generality of this, Officers are authorised to: serve any notices and make, amend or revoke any orders falling within his/her area of responsibility.
Section D9	An Officer to whom a power, duty or function is delegated may nominate or authorise another Officer to exercise that power, duty or function, provided that Officer reports to or is responsible to the delegator.

For the purposes of this report, the Director of Place Management holds the delegated power to make, amend or revoke any Orders.

2. LEGAL AUTHORITY

This proposal is made in accordance with the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, which under Section 1 provides, generally, for Orders to be made for the following reasons, and in the case of this report specifically for the reason(s) shown below:

(a)	for avoiding danger to persons or other traffic using the road or any other road or for preventing the likelihood of any such danger arising, or	X
(b)	for preventing damage to the road or to any building on or near the road, or	
(c)	for facilitating the passage on the road or any other road of any class of traffic (including pedestrians), or	X
(d)	for preventing the use of the road by vehicular traffic of a kind which, or its use by vehicular traffic in a manner which, is unsuitable having regard to the existing character of the road or adjoining property,	

(e)	(without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (d) above) for preserving the character of the road in a case where it is specially suitable for use by persons on horseback or on foot, or	
(f)	for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which the road runs, or	X
(g)	for any of the purposes specified in paragraphs (a) to (c) of subsection (1) of section 87 of the Environment Act 1995 (air quality)	

3. PROPOSAL

To implement various parking, waiting and loading restrictions, including designated parking bays reserved for disabled badge holders only and permit holders only.

4. BACKGROUND

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provision as bad supported the plans, compared to 1% of those who currently feel current parking provision is good.

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Amendments to be made:

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5. SOURCE OF FINANCE

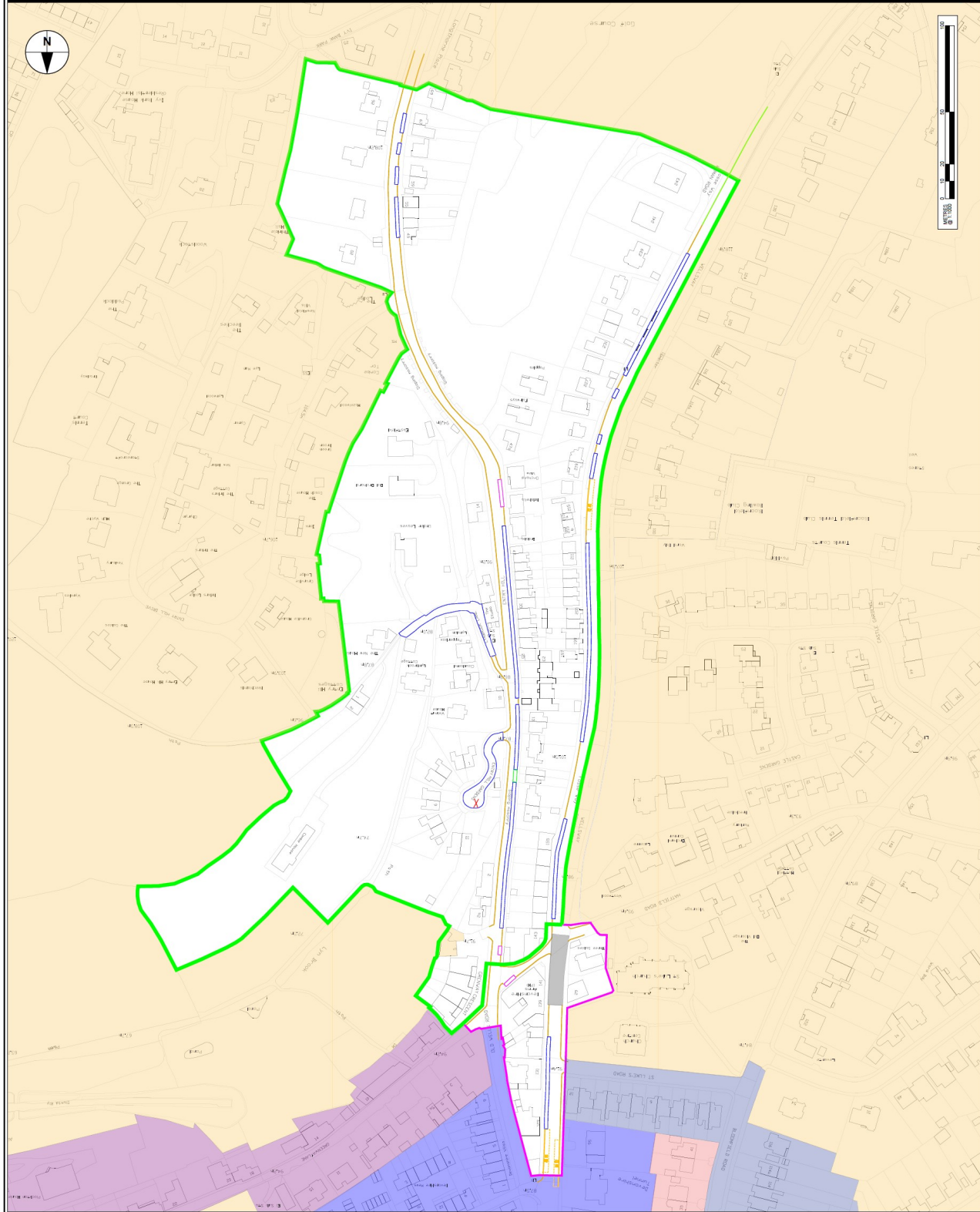
This proposal is being funded by RPZ capital budget TCRP001.

6. CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT

The proposal requires informal consultation with the Chief Constable, Ward Members and the Cabinet Members for Transport.

ISSUE/REVISION

NO	DATE	DESCRIPTION
C	17/06/2022	CP Amend C3.6
A	03/03/2022	Final planning consent amended
1	03/03/2022	Final planning consent amended





PROJECT
B&NES
PROPOSED RESIDENT
PARKING ZONES
 SCHEMATIC LAYOUT

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KEY

- █ Proposed Zone Boundary
- █ Area to be incorporated into zone 18
- █ Schematic Plan Boundary
- █ Area outside proposed RPZ
- █ Existing RPZ

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NO	DATE	DESCRIPTION
C	17/03/2023	City Analyst Q & A
B	16/03/2023	Amend Planning Control Analysis
A	07/03/2023	Final Issue

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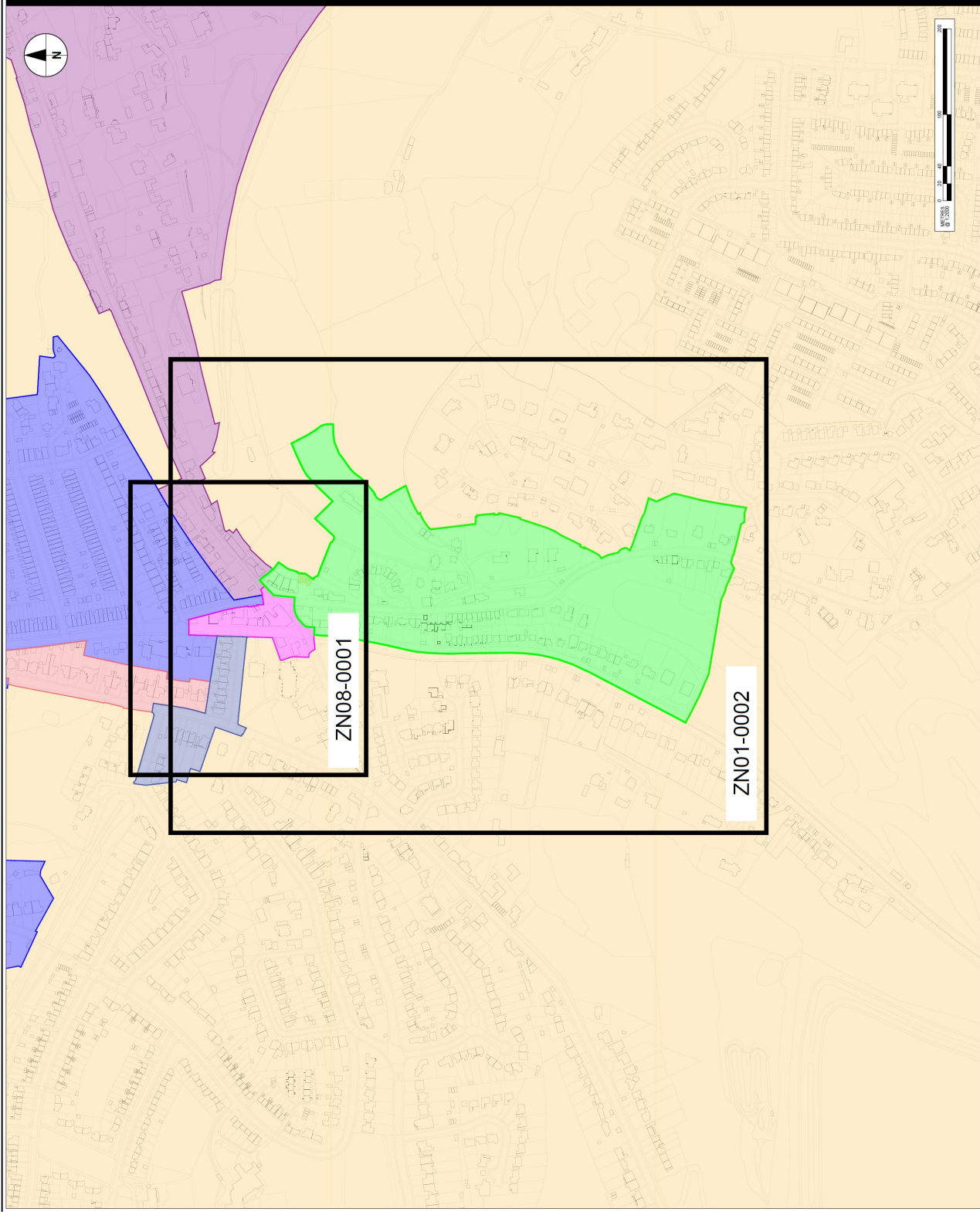
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SHEET TITLE

PROPOSED RESIDENT PARKING
ZONE ENTRY HILL RPZ
PARKING CONTROL COVER SHEET

SHEET NUMBER

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7. COMMENTS RECEIVED TO DATE

Chief Constable

Thank you for your email and attachments regarding the proposed Residents Parking Zone for Entry Hill, Bath as shown on the attached schematics. It is understood that the proposed Entry Hill RPZ TRO is one of many currently being considered for within the Bath area.

The informal TRO Report states that the proposal is *“To implement various parking, waiting and loading restrictions, including designated parking bays reserved for disabled badge holders only and permit holders only.*

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The proposals should meet the Statement of Intent regarding their introduction.

Any increase in parking restrictions brings with it a potential increase in the need for enforcement. Following the introduction of Civil Parking Enforcement we are unable to address this, as enforcement of waiting restrictions backed by a Traffic Regulation Order within the Bath and North East Somerset Council area, rests with B&NES Parking Services rather than ourselves.

We are also unable to provide dedicated enforcement to any reported displaced parking into adjacent areas and would request that additional parking restrictions be considered should such displacement occur if the proposals are implemented. Any enforcement of potential obstruction offences would be intelligence led and targeted based on gathered information and circumstances at the time at each potential obstruction offence location.

Parking Services

Andrew Dunn – Team Manager Parking Services - I broadly support the implementation of the restrictions but there should be a recognition that additional restrictions require additional revenue support for new staff to reflect the fact that every new restriction requires a very small percentage of a staff member to enforce on a regular or semi-regular basis.

Whilst this impact may itself be small for a single scheme, the cumulative impact may have an impact for the enforcement across other locations.

Ward Members

Widcombe & Lyncombe:

Cllr Alison Born – I have nothing to add to the comments made by Winston and Andy Dunn which I support.

Cllr Winston Duguid - I believe there are two outstanding issues.

- 1) 235 (not 237) Wellsway - It has not been used as a garage in recent times. The width of the garage entrance is just 2.24 meters, its internal width 2.65m and its internal length 4.5m. As it is less than 5 meters in length it does not qualify as a usable garage by the Banes policy. The resident wants to keep parking their only car outside their gate as they do at present. Therefore, like we have done in six instances on Greenway Lane, earlier on this year, the request is to extend the parking bay to include outside the gate of 235 Wellsway. They can only park on the road.
- 2) I enclose an email from a resident about DYLS being put on the original drawing outside 207 to 209. The question is had they been removed? They are not there on the road now and there is no need for them. Phil Batty said in an earlier email that a swept path analysis had been conducted by AECOM and there is no need for them. Yet on version 1 it looks as if they are still there.

Response: Please find attached the amended proposal plan below which now extends the parking bay across the two garages at 233 / 235 as requested by Cllr Duguid, but places Double Yellow Line markings across the driveway entrance to property 237 as this is an active driveway and in constant use.

Regarding the driveway at 213 - I don't believe we can place a bay marking across an active driveway which would be in constant use, and this therefore is shown as Double Yellow Lines. With the garages the argument is that they can't be used to store a vehicle due to their size and therefore access isn't required. On the advice of Parking Services, we should not be placing parking bays with White Keep Clear markings across driveways as this opens the Council up to challenge as the bay is stating any vehicle can park in this location, but the White Keep Clear is advising that they don't, sending conflicting information to drivers.

Cllr Winston Duguid - Thanks for this. I have just driven up there to have a last look. Yes, I am very happy to proceed on the attached plan you enclosed. Thank you for your help.



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KEY

- EXISTING FEATURES**
- Area outside proposed RPZ
 - Existing RPZ 1B
 - Existing RPZ C3
 - Existing RPZ C2

PROPOSED RPZ ELEMENTS

- Proposed Zone Boundary
- Area to be incorporated into zone 1B
- No Waiting AAT
- No waiting at times
- Controlled area
- Resident Permit Holders Only signage
- Resident Permit Holders Only signage (disabled badge holders only bay)
- Resident Disabled bay

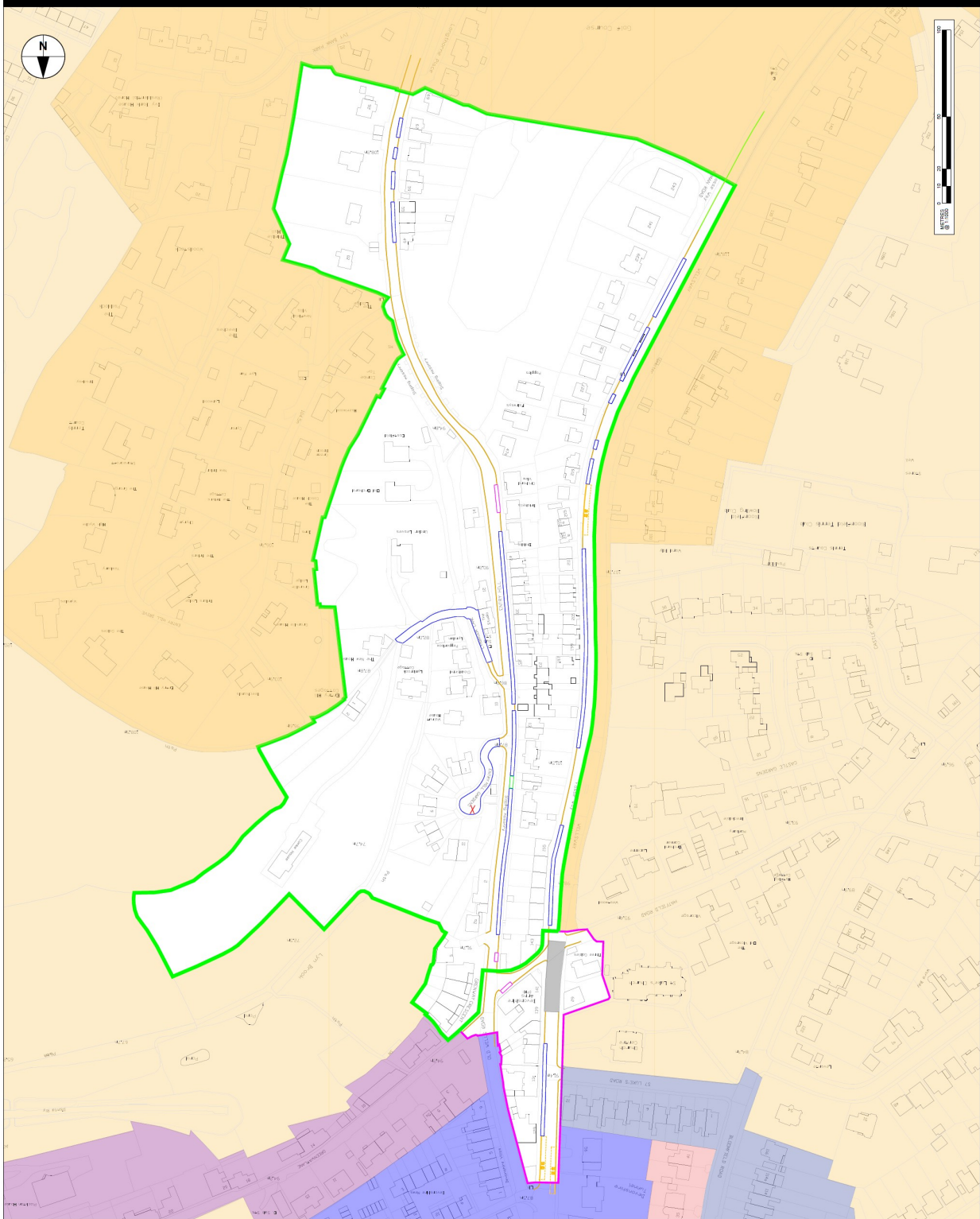
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ISSUE/REVISION	DATE	DESCRIPTION
E	30/06/2022	Revised 1005 and bays
D	23/05/2022	Gaps & bays Midway
C	17/06/2022	Clp Amend v3 E
B	08/05/2022	Amend following consult analysis
A	07/05/2022	Amend following consult analysis

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 60676754

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 PROPOSED RESIDENT PARKING
 ZONE ENTRY HILL RPZ
 PARKING CONTROL SCHEMATIC

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Cabinet Member

Cllr Manda Rigby - I appreciate all the work which has gone into these proposals, and, with the further amendments suggested by Cllr Duguid, I approve this for TRO consultation.

8. RECOMMENDATION

As no significant objections and/or comments have been received following the informal consultation described above, the public advertisement of the Traffic Regulation Order should progress.



Paul Garrod
Traffic Management & Network Manager

Date: 25th August 2022

9. DECISION

As the officer holding the above delegation, I:

Approve the progression of this Traffic Regulation Order.	X
Agree that this Traffic Regulation Order should not be progressed at this time.	

In taking this decision, I confirm that due regard has been given to the Council's public sector equality duty, which requires it to consider and think about how its policies or decisions may affect people who are protected under the Equality Act.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Major', with a flourish at the end.

Chris Major
Director for Place Management

Date: 07/09/2022