

North Tyneside Council

Delegated Decision Report

Date: 1 November 2022

Title: Road humps – Norham Road junctions, North Shields

Report by: Nick Saunders, Senior Traffic Engineer

Report to: John Sparkes, Director of
Regeneration and Economic
Development

Wards affected: Chirton

PART 1

1.1 Executive Summary:

This report seeks a delegated decision to advertise a proposal to introduce and, in the event that no objections are received, proceed to introduce road humps on four streets in the vicinity of their junctions with Norham Road, North Shields.

1.2 Recommendation(s):

It is recommended that the Director of Regeneration and Economic Development:

- (1) Agrees that notices for the proposal should be prepared and advertised in line with relevant statutory requirements;
- (2) Agrees that, in the event that no objections are received following the period of consultation, that the circumstances do not warrant the holding of a local inquiry; and
- (3) Agrees that, if no objections are received following the period of consultation, road humps shall be installed in accordance with the proposal.

1.3 Forward Plan:

Seeking delegated decisions to advertise proposals to install road humps and, in the event that no objections are received, to determine that road humps should be installed is a standing item on the Forward Plan.

1.4 Council Plan and Policy Framework

The proposals in this report relate to the following priorities in Our North Tyneside, the Council Plan 2021 to 2025:

- A green North Tyneside

- We will increase opportunities for safe walking and cycling, including providing a segregated cycleway at the coast
- We will publish an action plan of the steps we will take and the national investment we will seek to make North Tyneside carbon net-zero by 2030

1.5 Information:

1.5.1 Background

The Authority has obtained grant funding from the Government's Transforming Cities Fund (TCF) for the 'Routes to Metro' project to improve local cycling, walking and wheeling links which support accessibility to Metro stations.

The proposals associated with this report involve improvements to cycling, walking and wheeling links to Percy Main Metro station from the Chirton area.

The full scheme involves proposals to provide a cycleway with adjacent footway alongside Norham Road; install raised tables at side road junctions to make it easier to cross; introduce parking restrictions on a section of street; provide sections of shared use footway-cycleway and measures to facilitate on-carriageway cycling in residential streets; and install a new Toucan signalised crossing on A193 Wallsend Road.

1.5.2 Proposal in relation to raised tables

It is proposed to establish raised tables at the following locations:

- a. Chollerford Avenue, North Shields – at its junction with Norham Road, to a point 14m east of its junction with Norham Road
- b. Nunwick Gardens, North Shields – at its junction with Norham Road, to a point 14m east of its junction with Norham Road
- c. Harnham Avenue, North Shields – at its junction with Norham Road, to a point 14m east of its junction with Norham Road
- d. Alnwick Avenue, North Shields – at its junction with Norham Road, to a point 12m east of its junction with Norham Road

1.5.3 Consultation undertaken

Engagement on the full scheme was carried out in Summer 2021, via a news item on the Authority's website linking to the 'Placechangers' consultation website. Feedback from this engagement informed the process of detailed design.

Letters have been issued to households in the area to set out the elements of the proposed scheme. The Cabinet Member for Environment and ward members have been updated on the proposals.

Arrangements have been made to contact the standard technical consultees in writing to advise of the proposals.

1.5.4 Proposed next steps

Proposals that restrict traffic movements are subject to statutory legal process as described in section 2.2: this includes the local authority giving public notice of the proposals and taking such other steps as it may consider appropriate for ensuring adequate publicity. In North Tyneside, this includes notices advertising proposals being displayed on affected streets and on the Authority's website. This enables members of the public or businesses to object to the proposal. Any objectors are sent a response and invited to reconsider their objection. Any objections not withdrawn are referred to the Cabinet Member for Environment for consideration in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation for Cabinet Members.

1.6 Decision options:

The following decision options are available for consideration by the Director of Regeneration and Economic Development:

Option 1

To approve the recommendations as set out in paragraph 1.2 above.

Option 2

Not to approve the recommendations as set out in paragraph 1.2 above.

Option 1 is the recommended option.

1.7 Reasons for recommended option:

Option 1 is recommended for the following reasons:

The proposals will increase safety for all road users and contribute to ensuring that highway conditions are conducive to support greater usage of cycling, walking and wheeling.

1.8 Appendices:

Appendix 1 Plan of scheme (on three sheets)

Appendix 2 Equality Impact Assessment – Routes to Metro (Percy Main)

1.9 Contact officers:

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1.10 Background information:

(1) [North Tyneside Transport Strategy](#)

(2) [Highways Act 1980](#)

(3) [Highways \(Road Humps\) Regulations 1999](#)

PART 2 – COMPLIANCE WITH PRINCIPLES OF DECISION MAKING

2.1 Finance and other resources

Funding to advertise and implement the proposal is available from the grant funding from the Government's Transforming Cities Fund.

2.2 Legal

Proposals that involve revocations or amendments to the provision of road humps and the installation of any new road humps are subject to statutory legal process set out in the Highways Act 1980 and the Regulations that flow from that Act, namely, the Highways (Road Humps) Regulations 1999. The authority which makes the proposal is required to publish at least one notice detailing the proposal in a local newspaper in addition to taking such other steps as it deems appropriate for ensuring adequate publicity is provided.

In North Tyneside, in addition to being advertised in a local newspaper, notices advertising the proposal are displayed on the Authority's website and on roads affected by the order. Documents relating to the proposal are also available for public inspection at the Authority's offices at Quadrant. Objections to the proposal may be made within a period of 21 days starting from the date the notice was published.

In accordance with the Authority's scheme of Delegation to Cabinet Members, if any objections cannot be resolved, then the Cabinet Member for Environment is asked to consider those objections made and not withdrawn and to determine if road humps should be installed.

2.3 Consultation/community engagement

2.3.1 Internal consultation

Internal consultation has involved the Cabinet Member for Environment. Ward members' views on the proposal were sought as described in section 1.5.3.

2.3.2 Community engagement

Views on the proposal were sought as described in section 1.5.3. The proposal is to be advertised in line with statutory process as set out in section 1.5.4.

2.4 Human rights

The proposals within this report do not have direct implications in respect of the Human Rights Act 1998.

2.5 Equalities and diversity

An Equality Impact Assessment for the Routes to Metro (Percy Main) scheme has been undertaken and is attached as Appendix 2 to this report. This notes that several identified potential impacts are positive, e.g. for people who currently experience difficulty crossing the road, and that actions are specified to reduce the identified potential negative impact, which relates to temporary arrangements during construction.

2.6 Risk management

There are no risk management implications arising directly from this report. Strategic and operational risks associated with transport matters are assessed via the established corporate process.

2.7 Crime and disorder

There are no crime and disorder implications directly arising from this report.

2.8 Environment and sustainability

There are potential positive implications in that the proposals support the use of more sustainable modes of transport in preference to car use.

PART 3 - SIGN OFF

- Chief Finance Officer

- Monitoring Officer

- Assistant Chief Executive



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 - PROPOSED FOOTWAY WORKS
 - PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLE SHARED USE ROUTE
 - PROPOSED ON CARRIAGEWAY CYCLE ROUTE
 - EXISTING BOLLARDS TO BE RETAINED

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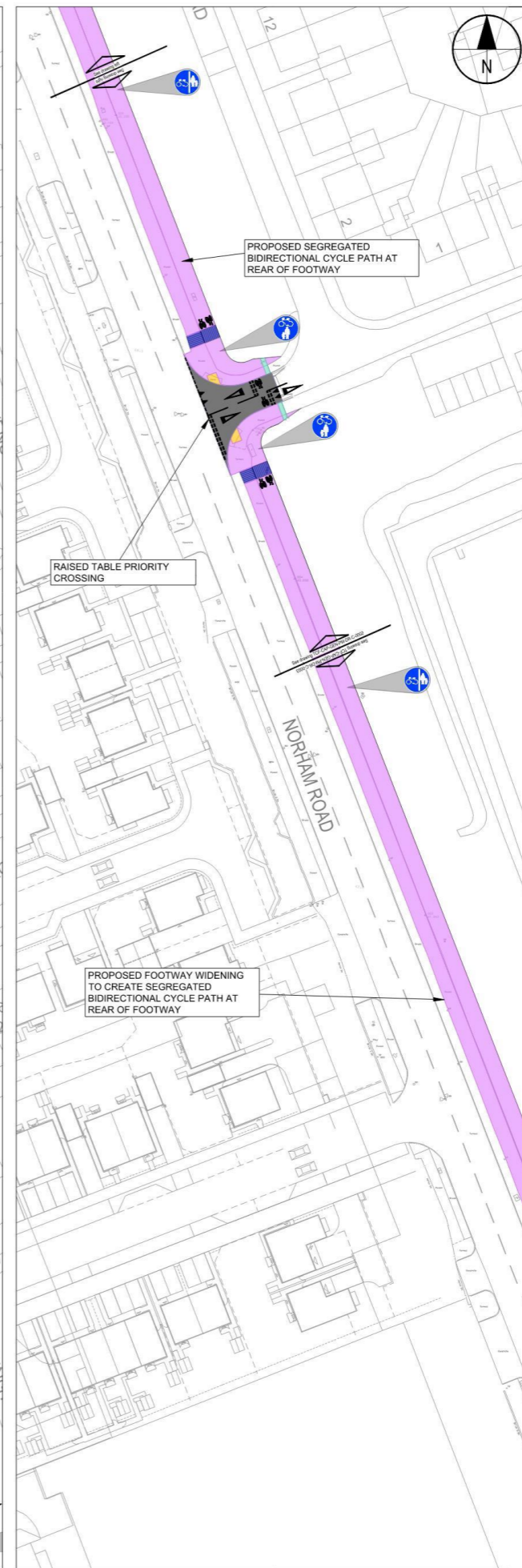
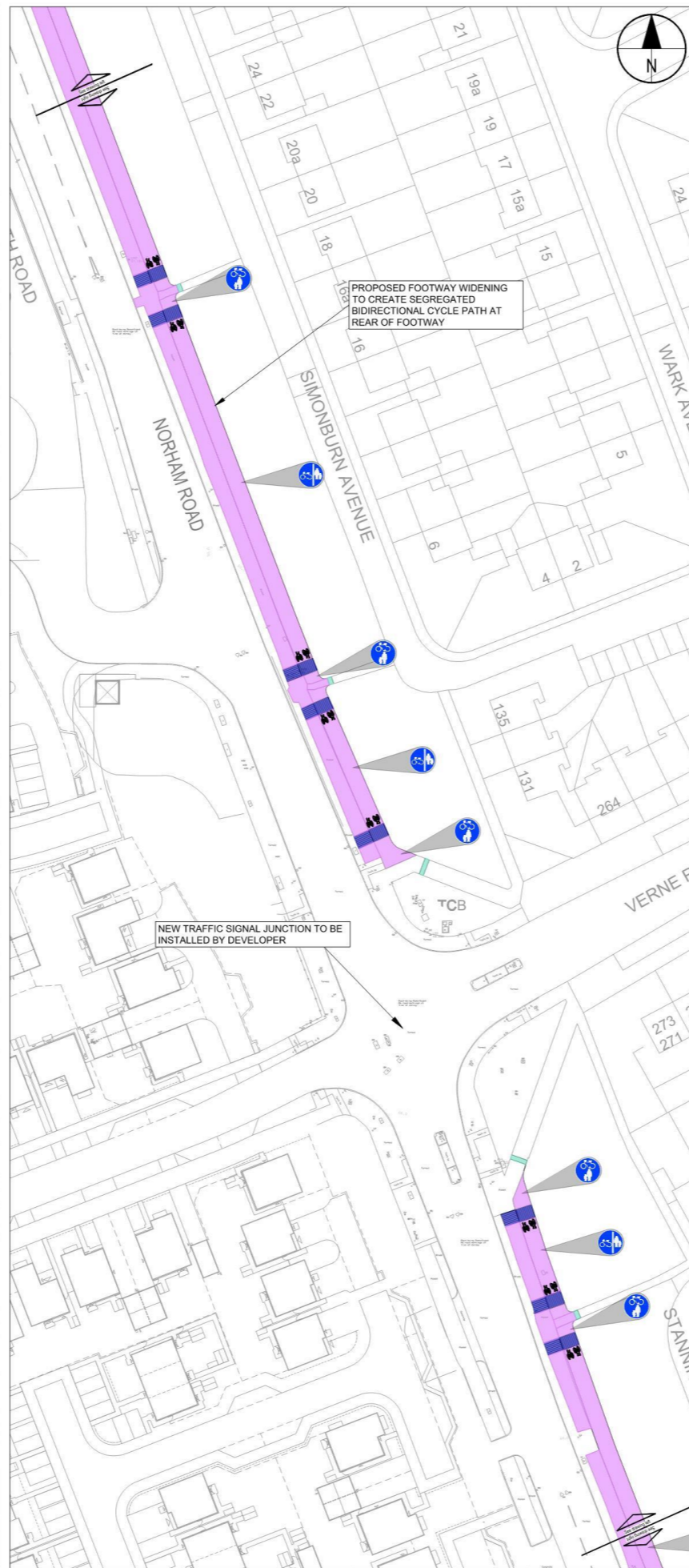
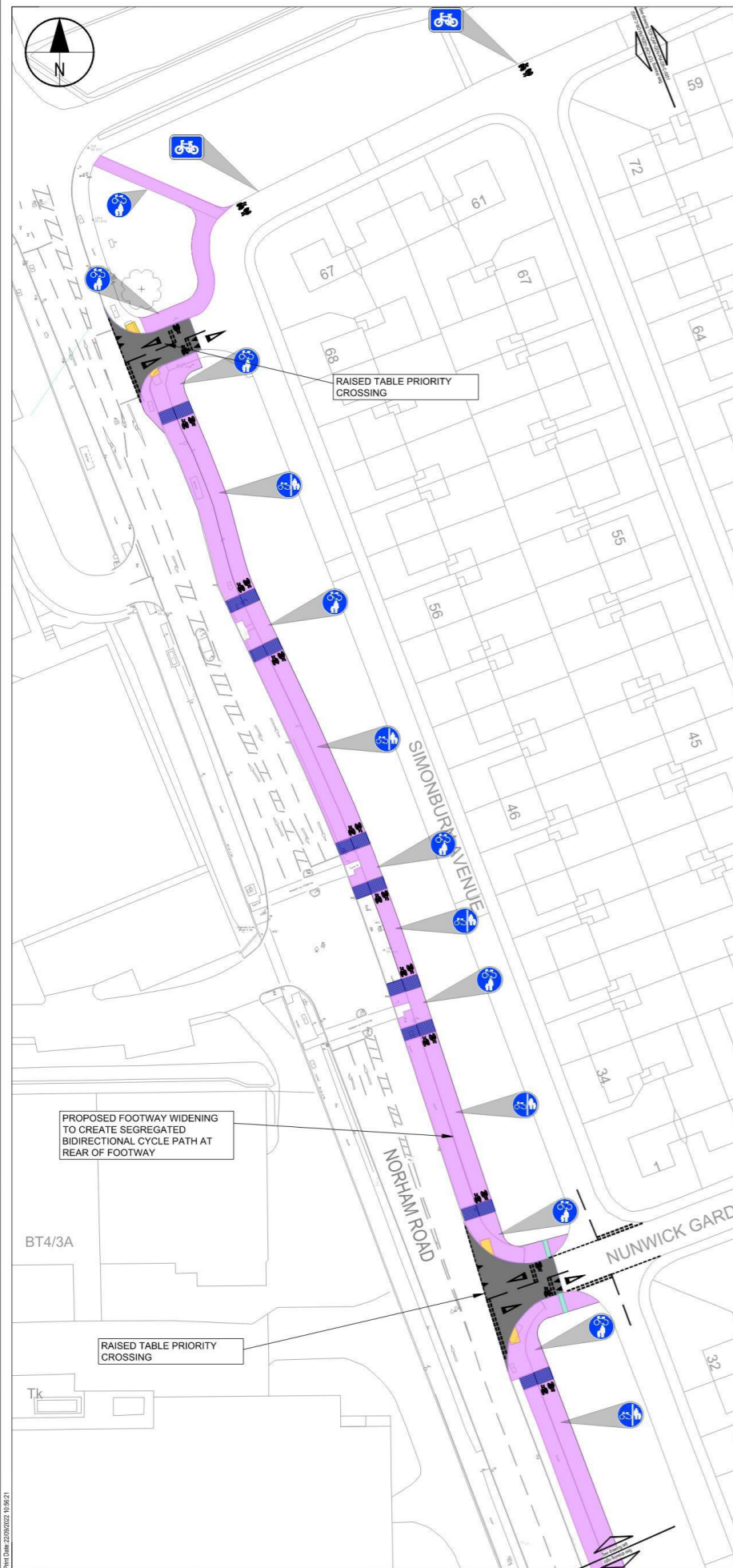
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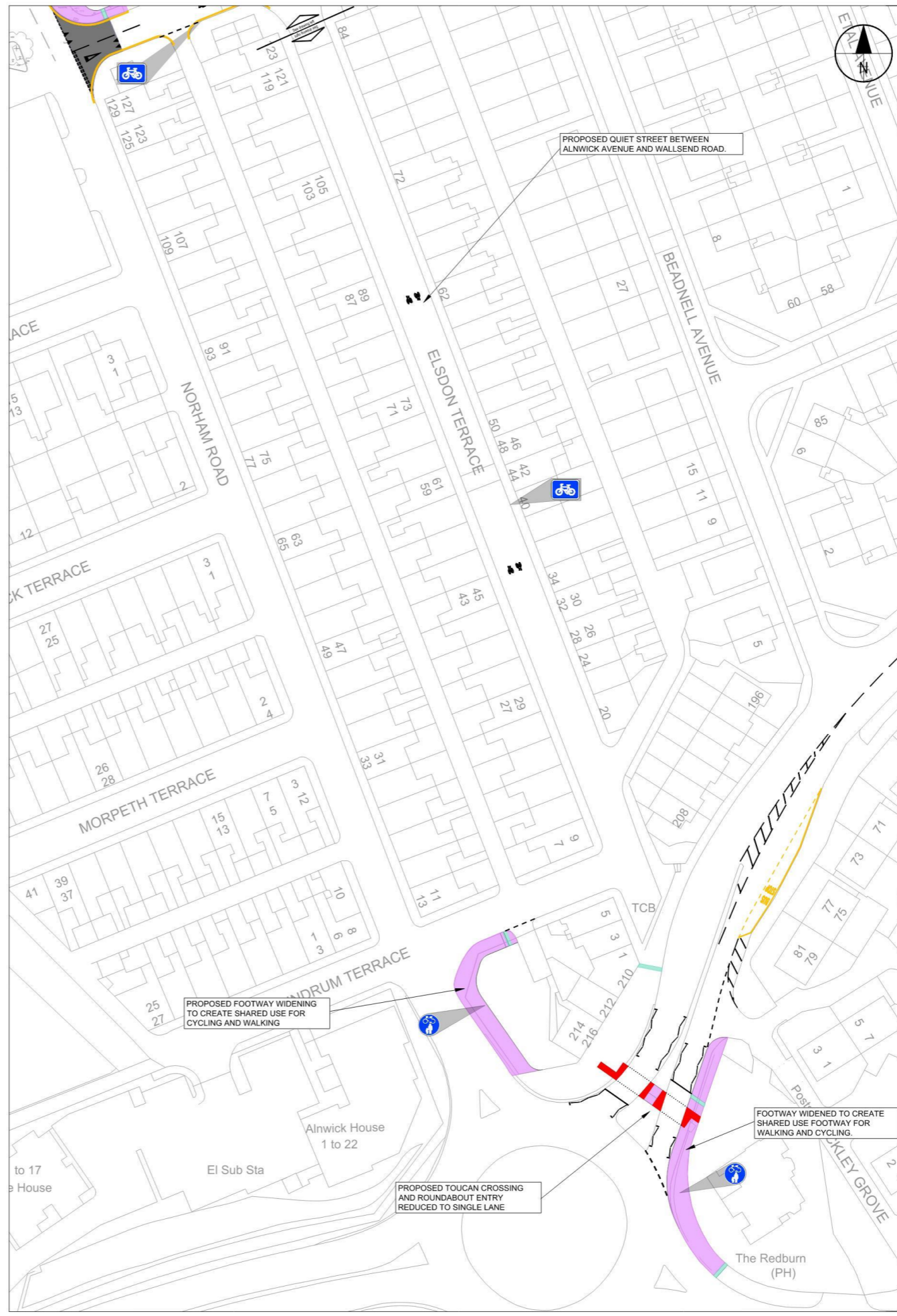
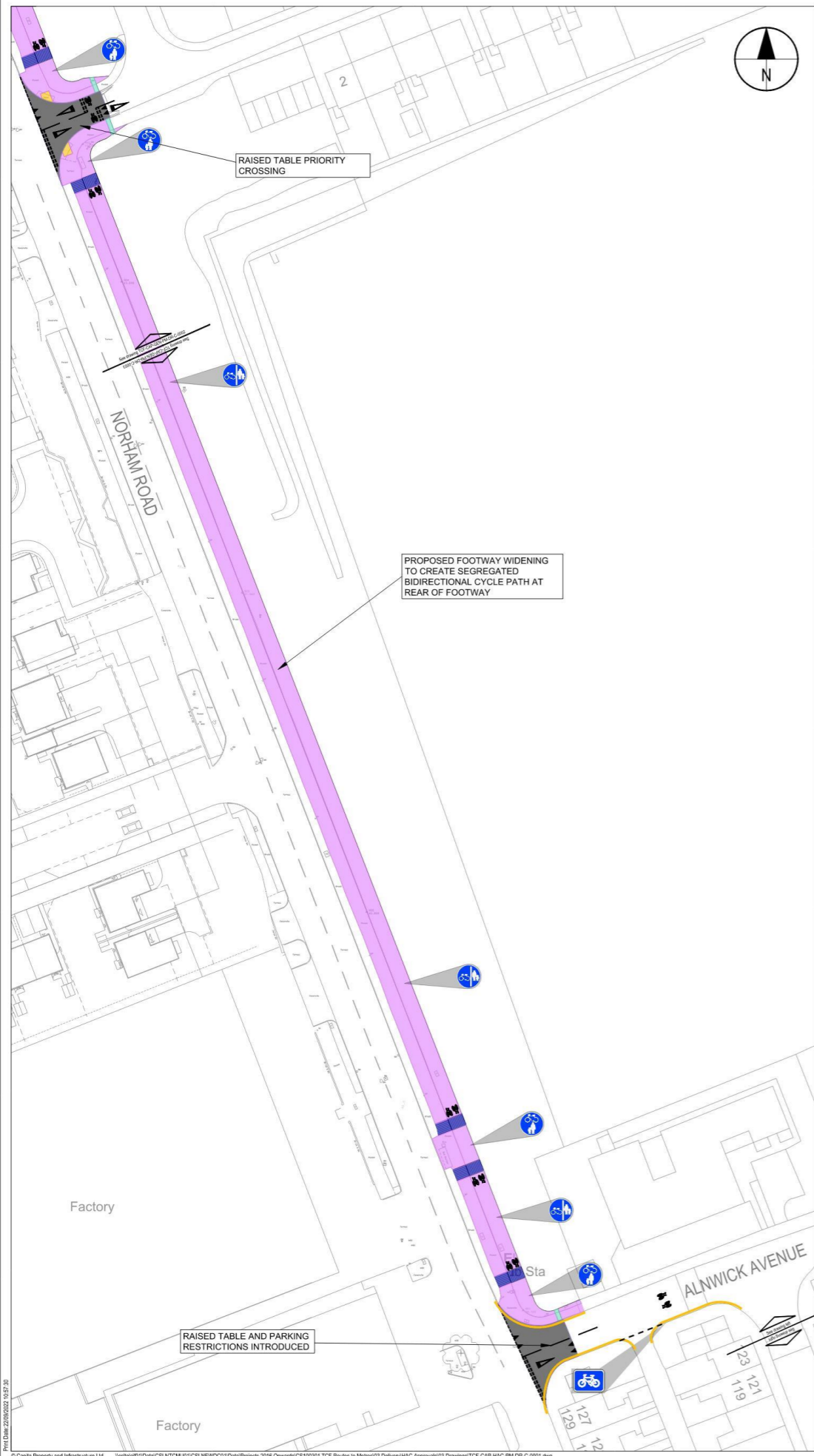
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