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Active Travel Scheme

Oakengates to TFC – Phase 2

Consultation Document



Background

As part of our ongoing plan to improve provisions for pedestrians and cyclists across the borough, we have reviewed the feasibility of improving provisions from Station Road, Oakengates to Telford Central. This scheme is highlighted as part of the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan and is being funded by Active Travel England.

Phase 1 of this scheme is already underway seeing new crossing points and a shared footway/cyclepath along Station Road. Phase 2 of the project includes the site, from Greyhound Roundabout to Rampart Way, which has been identified as a suitable location for improved cycling provisions by widening an existing shared use route to improve the safety of cyclists and pedestrians.

A review of the route, in its entirety (approximately 1.2km) has been undertaken to assist in the consideration of engineering measures that would best support a scheme to further improve active travel in the area. All items discussed in this note will be discussed between the Highways & Active Travel Team, Local Members and the Parish Council.

The review area of phase 2 is shown in Figure 1.0

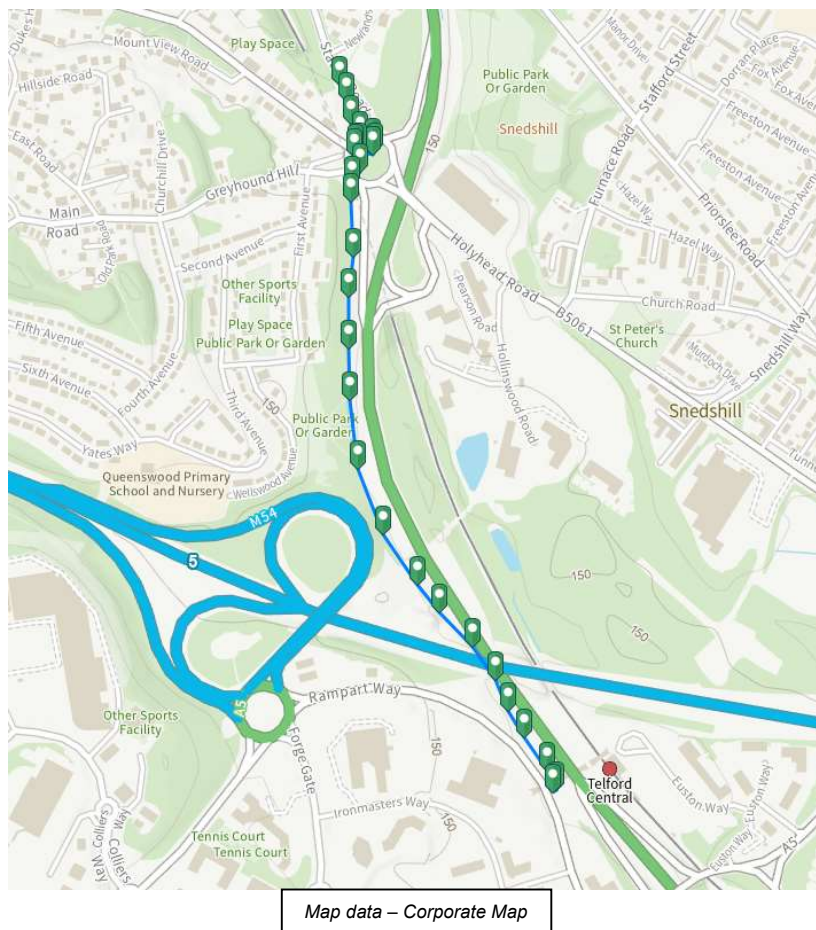


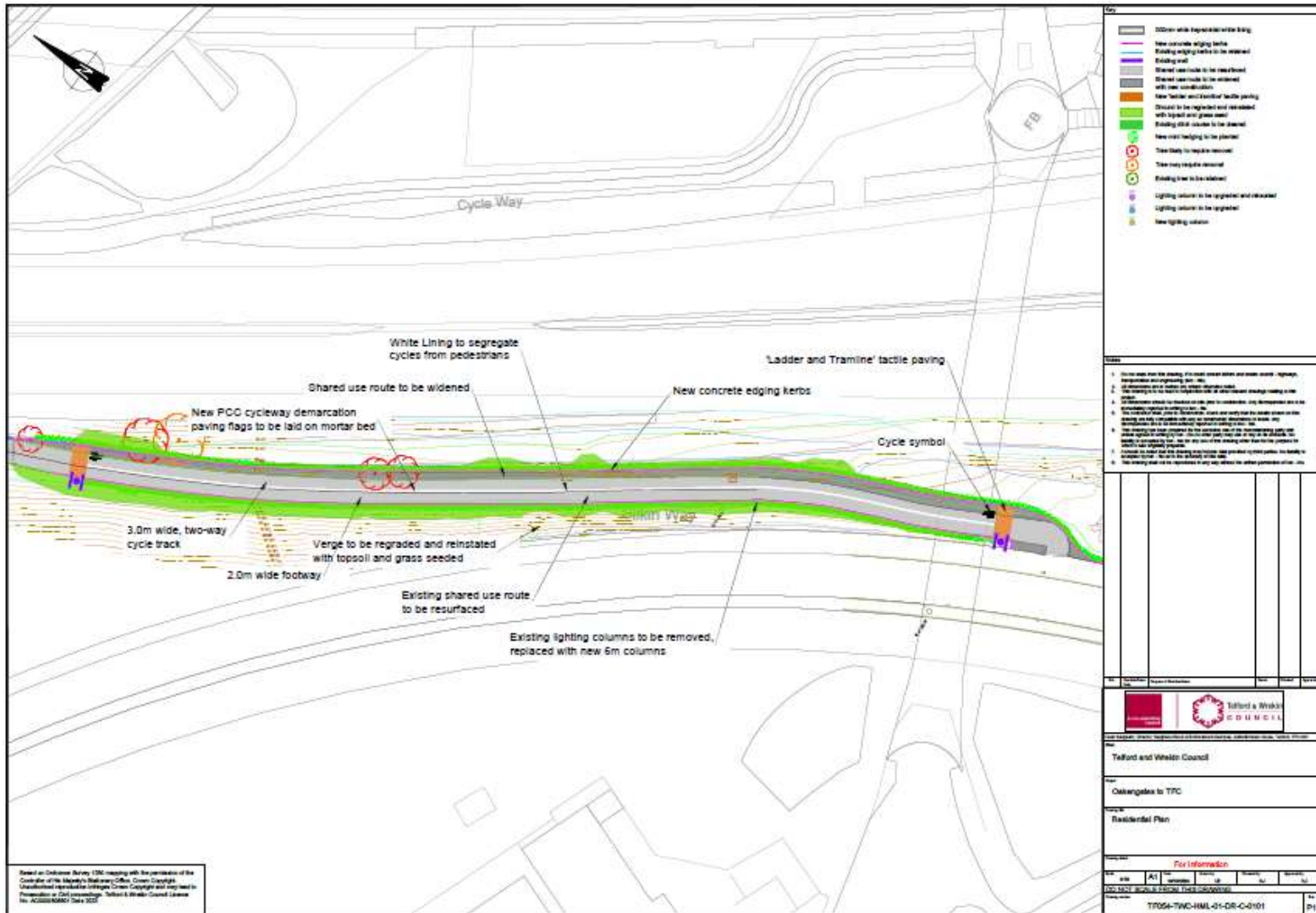
Figure 1.0 Review Area – Phase 2 (Highlighted Blue)

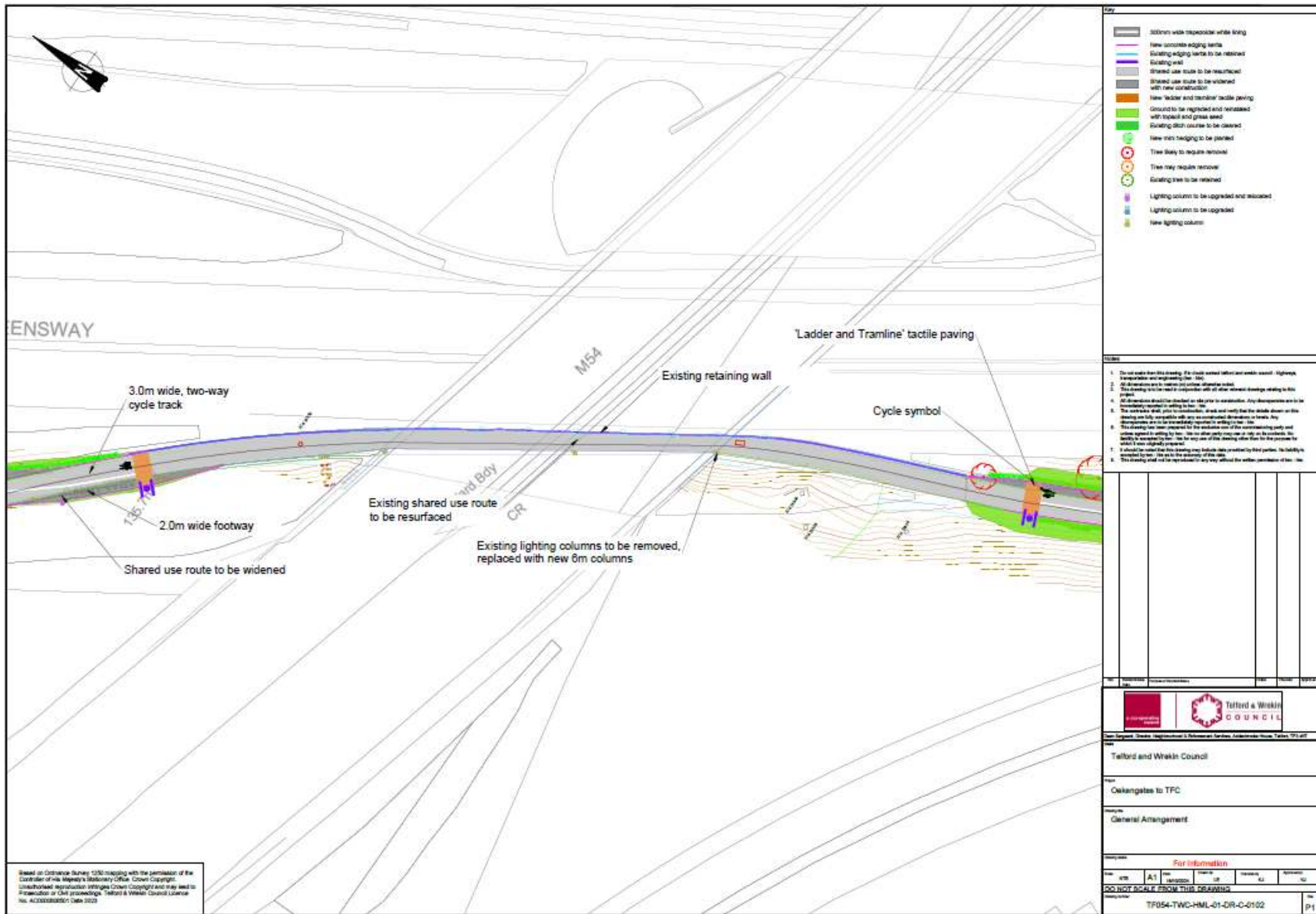
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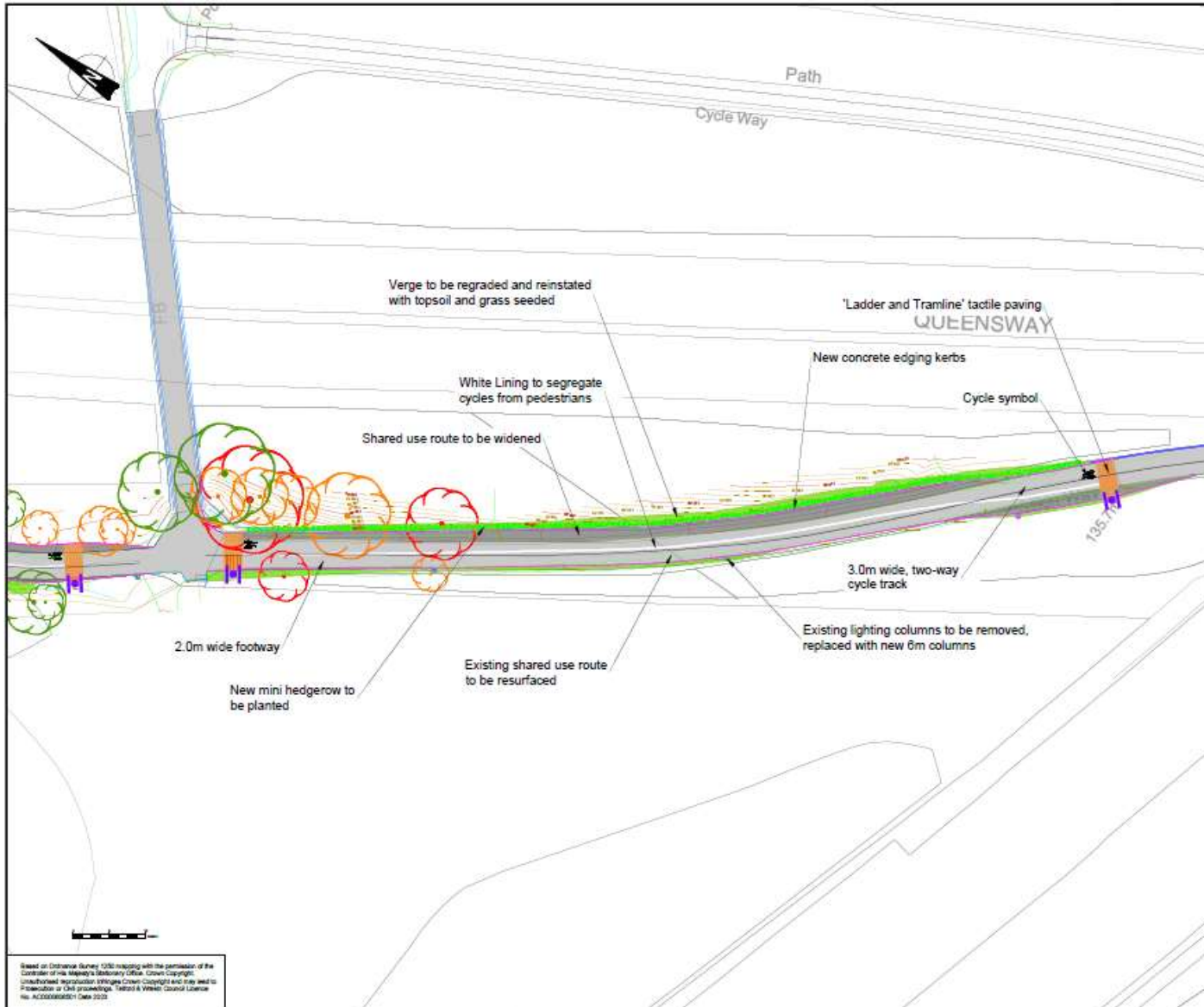
The feasibility of creating a dedicated off highway shared use route to segregate cycles from pedestrians has been investigated and the following design produced. To enable the creation of the shared use route to the current guidelines and legislation, the existing 3.0m wide shared route needs to be widened to facilitate a 2.0m footway and 3.0m two way cycle lane. Where this is not possible, the route will be unsegregated to maximise the use of the available space. As part of the scheme, it is expected that some mature trees may need to be removed. To mitigate against this, provisions will be put in place to replant new trees elsewhere in the borough to offset the impact on the environment.

This scheme will deliver phase 2 of a proposed active travel route from Telford Central (TFC) to Oakengates (OKN). It is hoped that the route will provide a safe link for both pedestrians and cycles and encourage the use of active travel and public transport in the area. This will help alleviate traffic in the historic market town of Oakengates and improve the safety of vehicle users, cyclists and pedestrians alike.

Scheme Proposal – Creation of a new shared use route from Greyhound Roundabout to Rampart Way







Key

- 300mm wide impedance white lining
- New concrete edging kerbs
- Existing edging kerbs to be retained
- Shared use route to be resurfaced
- Shared use route to be widened with new construction
- New 'ladder' and 'tramline' tactile paving
- Ground to be regraded and dressed with topsoil and grass seed
- Existing ditch course to be cleared
- New mini hedgerow to be planted
- Tree likely to require removal
- Tree may require removal
- Existing tree to be retained
- Lighting column to be upgraded and relocated
- Lighting column to be upgraded
- New lighting column

Notes

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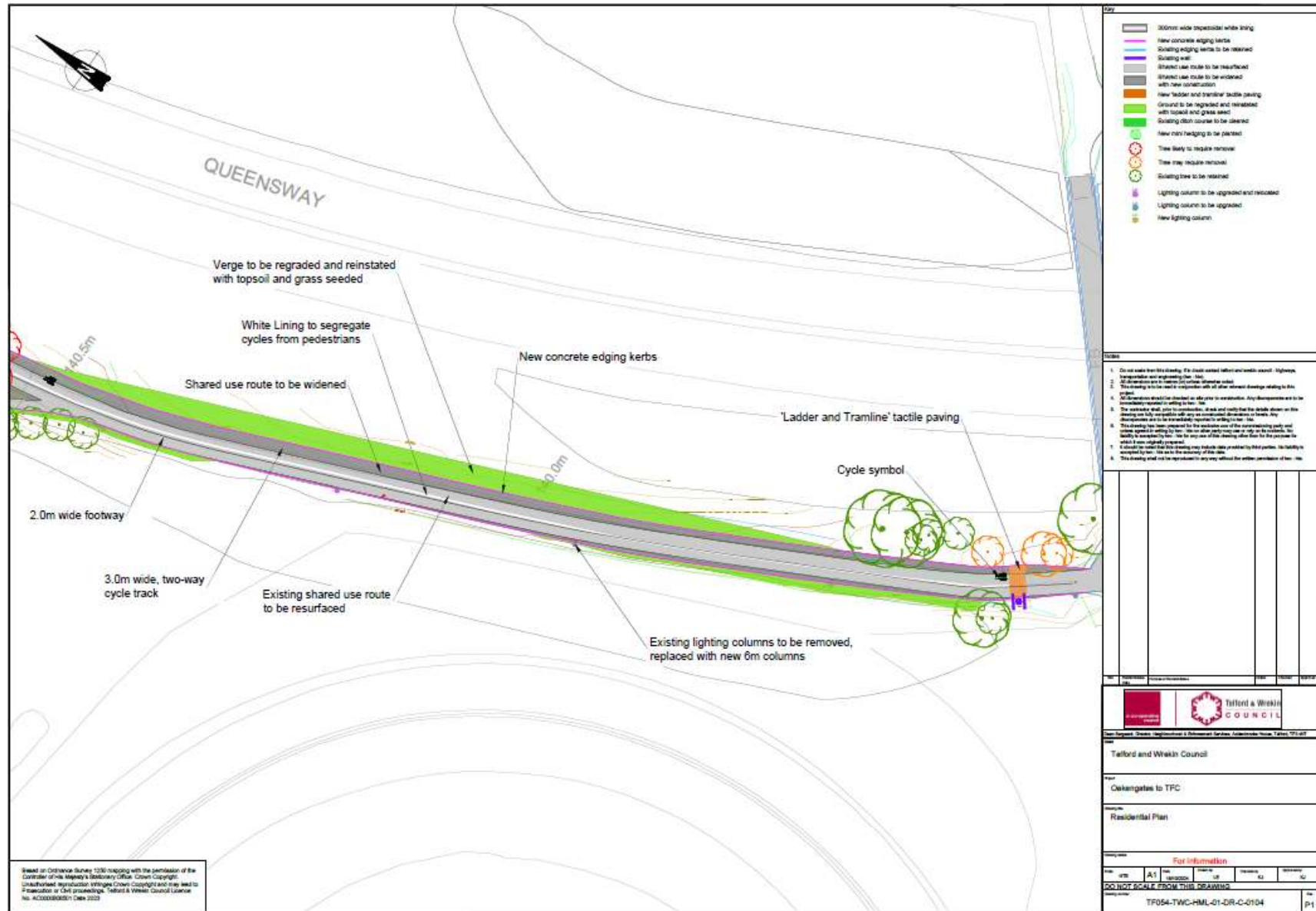
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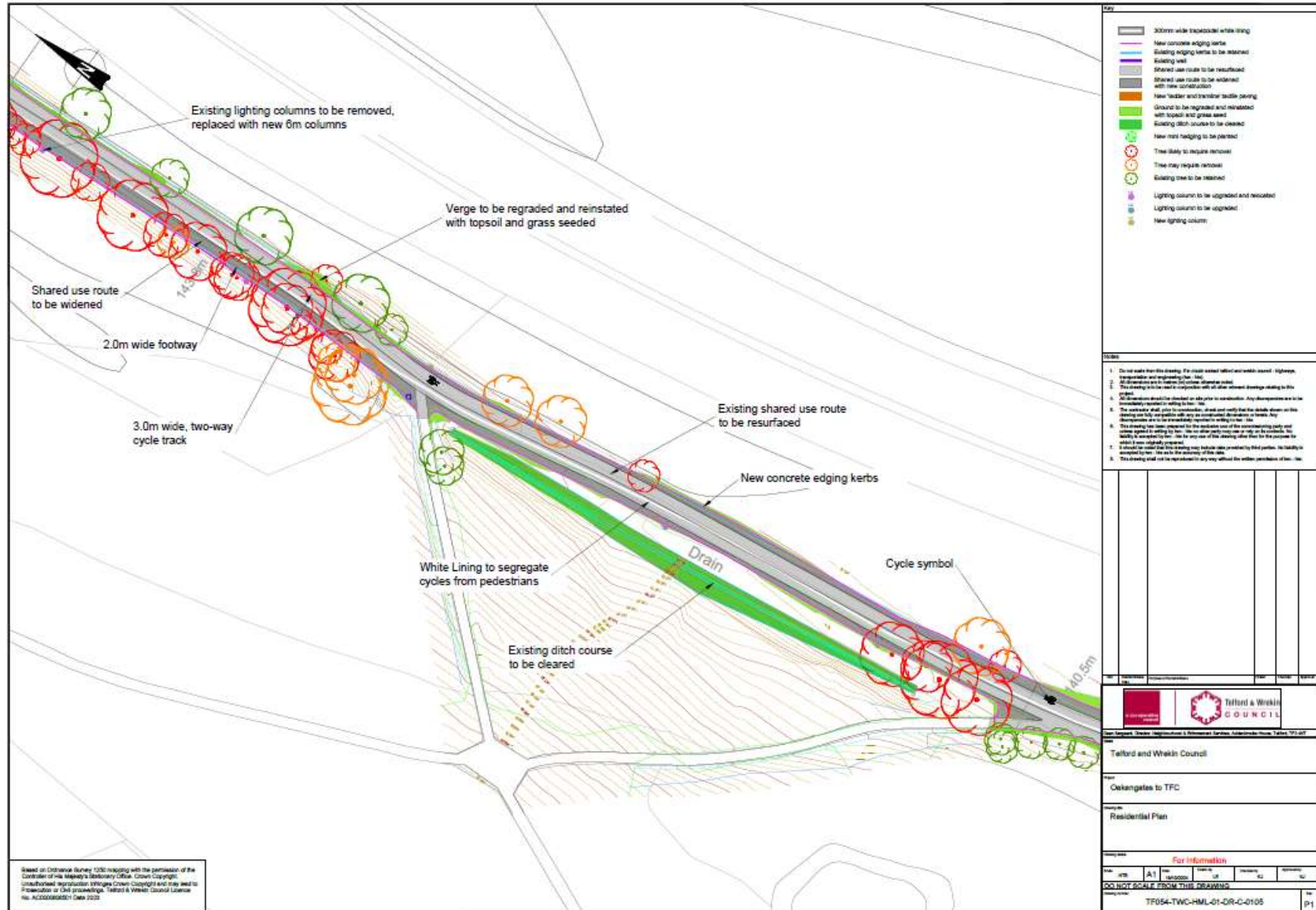
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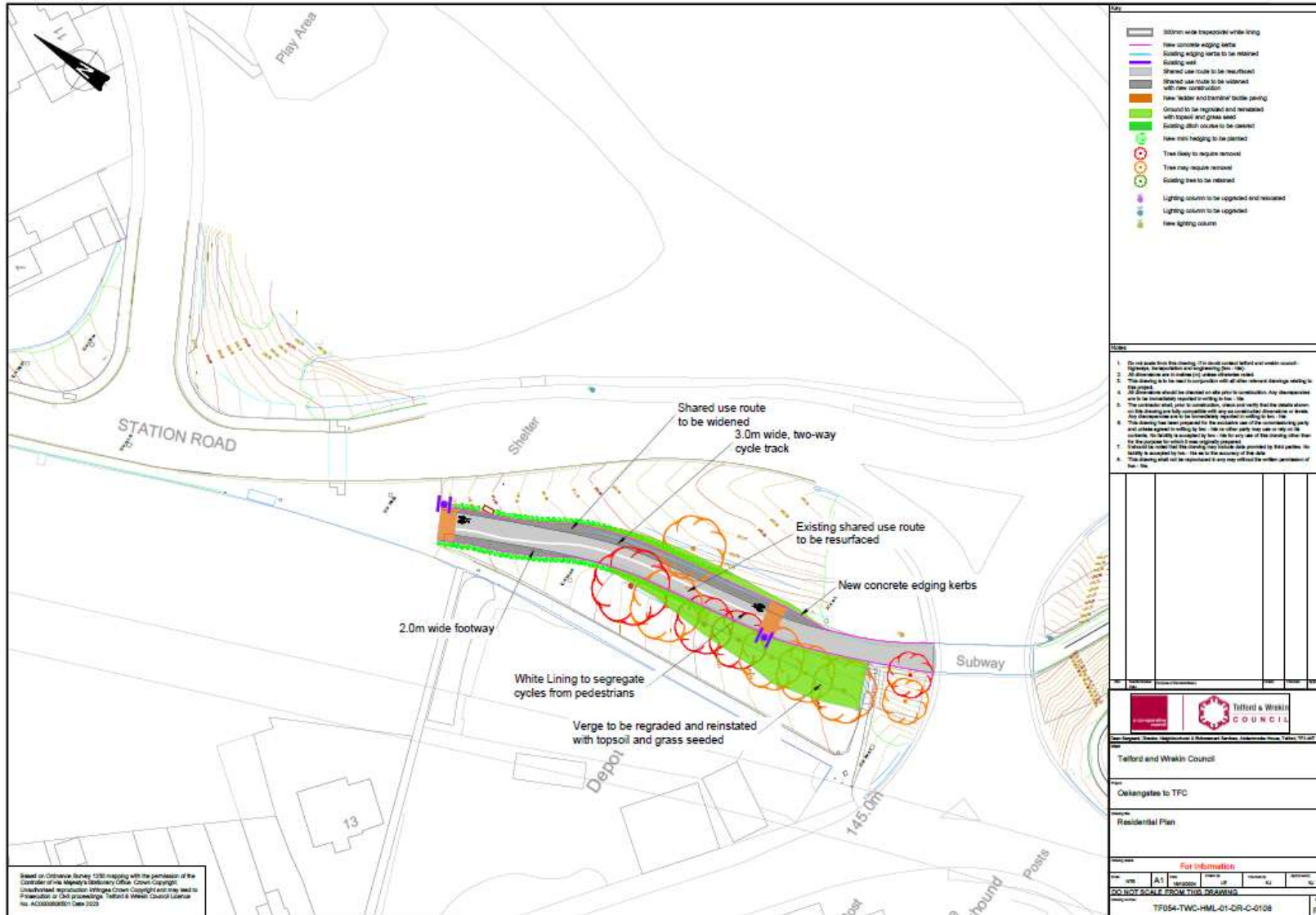
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What will happen next?

In reviewing this document, the scheme is out for public consultation. This allows residents & businesses in the area to provide feedback and comments on the proposal before a final decision on whether to deliver the scheme is made. For the opportunity to provide your feedback, please visit: www.telford.gov.uk/ATF4 and complete the 'Have Your Say' section alternatively, please email projectsteam@telford.gov.uk.

The outcomes of discussions between the Highways & Active Travel Team, Local Members and the Parish Council will be reviewed in detail and a decision will be made based on how best to proceed. Should agreement be reached, the scheme will be taken forward.

It is considered that the public consultation stage will be a direct test of public support for the option presented before proceeding to detailed design. The outcome of the public consultation will be reviewed in detail and a decision will be made based on the content of the comments received.

Factors that will be taken into account will include, but not necessarily be limited to:

- Road safety
- Level of support
- Detail of any objections

As a local resident you may have a view as to the best layout that you would like to see however there are a number of hidden factors that influence this such as the location of hidden underground services for example gas mains, electricity and water pipes and who the land owner is, as not all the land falls under the councils ownership. Taking all this into account all of these factors would have been explored before finalising the design included above.

What will happen if the proposals are not supported?

The content of any objection will be considered and responded to accordingly. Should the proposals receive a high level of objection, it is unlikely that the proposal will be taken forward and an alternative option may be considered if possible. The format of any alternative proposal would be based on the content of any objection. Any alternative scheme would then undergo the same process (investigation works, detailed design, public consultation and contractor engagement) before a decision is made to deliver the scheme.