

Road Hierarchy

A. Inter-Urban Hierarchy

(i) PRIMARY ROUTES

The preferred route linking urban centres of more than 25,000 population and passing within 5 miles of those centres and having no physical restrictions. These are already identified in the approved Kent Structure Plan (e.g. motorways, trunk roads, primary 'A' roads).

(ii) SECONDARY ROUTES

The preferred route linking urban centres of 10,000 to 25,000 population, located within 5 miles of those centres and having no physical restrictions. Routes passing through a number of smaller settlements may also justify this classification if the traffic flow exceeds 5,000 vehicles per day. Roads parallel to motorways and giving an alternative route should also be secondary routes (e.g. other 'A' roads).

(iii) LOCAL ROUTES

Routes linking urban centres of 3,000 to 10,000 population with each other and with the primary/secondary route network (e.g. 'B' and 'C' roads).

(iv) ACCESS ROUTES

Routes giving access to routes above them in the hierarchy.

B. Urban Hierarchy

In assessing proposals for development the Local Planning Authority will take account of the road hierarchy based on the functions of the routes as set out in the following classification:

A) PRIMARY DISTRIBUTORS

These roads form the primary network for the towns and villages as a whole. Where capacity exists, all longer-distance traffic to, from and within the towns and villages should be channelled onto the primary distributors.

B) DISTRICT DISTRIBUTORS

These roads carry traffic from primary distributors to the residential and business districts of the towns and villages and distribute traffic between districts.

C) LOCAL DISTRIBUTORS

These roads distribute traffic within residential, industrial and business areas. They form the link between District Distributors and Access Roads.

D) ACCESS ROADS

These roads give direct access to buildings and land within residential, industrial and business areas and include privately-owned access roads.

The Road Hierarchy

ROYAL TUNBRIDGE WELLS AND SOUTHBOROUGH

1. Primary Distributors

A26

A264 (including Calverley Park Gardens, Crescent Road, Church Road, Mount Ephraim (between Church Road and Major York's Road), Bishop's Down, Langton Road, Mount Ephraim (between Church Road and Grosvenor Road))

A267 (Frant Road)

2. District Distributors

Bayhall Road

Bayham Road

Bidborough Ridge

Birling Road (from Frant Road to Bayham Road)

Calverley Road (between Carrs Corner and Prospect Road)

Dowding Way (following construction of North Farm/High Brooms Link Road)

Forest Road

Garden Road

Goods Station Road (between Grosvenor Road and Victoria Road to be renamed Victoria Road)

Grosvenor Road

Grove Hill Road

High Brooms Road

Highfield Road

Longfield Road

Major York's Road

Meadow Road

Mount Pleasant Road

Pembury Road (between Calverley Park Gardens and Prospect Road)

Prospect Road

Sandhurst Road

Sandrock Road

Upper Grosvenor Road

Vale Road

Victoria Road

Yew Tree Road

3. Local Distributors

Birken Road

Bishop's Down Park Road (between Molyneux Park Road and Culverden Down)

Broadmead

Broadmead Avenue

Broadwater Down

Broadwater Lane (from Eridge Road to Showfields Road)

Broadwater Rise (from Broadmead to Broadwater Down)

Broomhill Road

Calverley Road (part only)

Camden Road

Church Road, Constitutional Hill Road, Kibbles Lane, Southborough

Claremont Road

Culverden Down (from Culverden Park to Bishop's Down Park Road)

Culverden Park

Ferndale

Greggswood Road

Grosvenor Bridge

Lamberts Road

Lansdowne Road

Liptraps Lane (between Lamberts Road and Birken Road)
 Lower Green Road
 Molyneux Park Road
 Monson Road
 Mount Sion
 Nevill Terrace
 North Farm Lane (between North Farm Road and Lamberts Road)
 North Farm Road
 Powder Mill Lane (between A26 and Yew Tree Road)
 Quarry Road
 Rusthall High Street
 Rusthall Road
 Sherwood Road
 Showfields Road
 Speldhurst Road
 St James Road
 Woodbury Park Road

Road Hierarchy – Settlements Outside Royal Tunbridge Wells

Parish	Primary	Distributor	
		District	Local
Ashurst	Ashurst Road Ashurst Hill	–	–
Benenden	–	The Street	New Pond Road
Bidborough	–	Bidborough Ridge	–
Brenchley	–	–	High Street Horsmonden Road Windmill Hill
Cranbrook	Angley Road –	High Street Stone Street Waterloo Road –	Bakers Cross Carriers Road (part) Oakfield Drive St David's Bridge The Hill
Five Oak Green	–	Five Oak Green Road	–
Frittenden	–	–	Cranbrook Road Biddenden Road Mill Lane

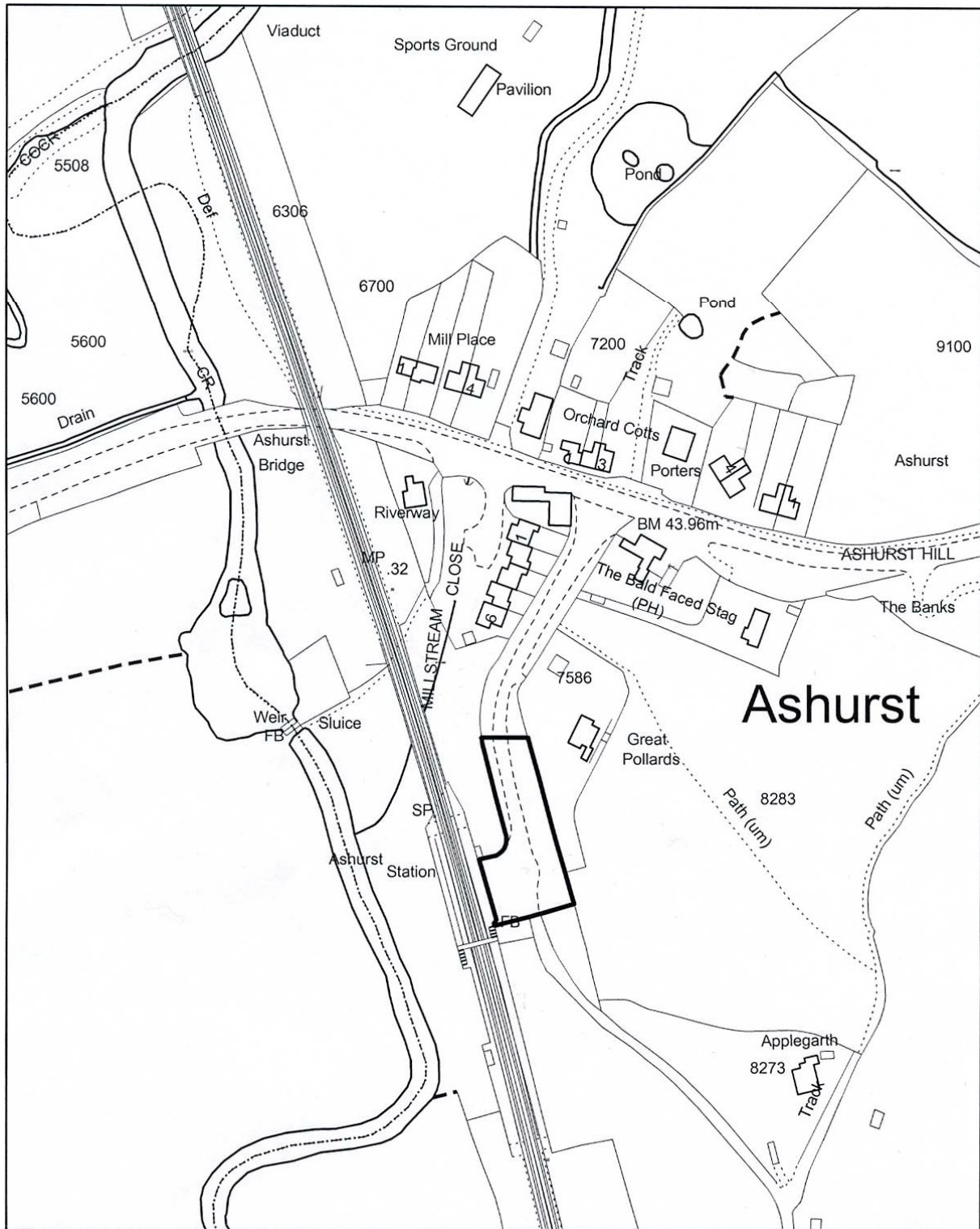
Parish	Primary	Distributor	
		District	Local
Goudhurst	Church Road Clay Hill High Street The Plain West Road Cranbrook Road	Balcombes Hill Chequers Lane North Road —	— —
Hawkhurst	Cranbrook Road High Street Highgate Hill Horns Road Moor Hill Rye Road The Moor	— —	— —
Horsmonden	—	Lamberhurst Road Maidstone Road	Brenchley Road Goudhurst Road
Kilndown	—	—	Chicks Lane Church Lane Ranthers Lane Rogers Rough Road
Lamberhurst	School Hill Spray Hill The Broadway	High Street Town Hill —	—
Langton Green	Langton Road	—	—
Matfield	—	Maidstone Road —	Brenchley Road Chestnut Lane
Paddock Wood	—	Badsell Road Maidstone Road —	Church Road Mascalls Court Road Station Road Warrington Road
Pembury	—	Hastings Road High Street Lower Green Road Maidstone Road	Henwood Green Road —
Sandhurst	Queen Street —	—	Back Lane Bodiam Road
Sissinghurst	The Street	Common Road	—

Access Roads

All roads within the Plan area and not identified in the above are considered access roads.

Land Reserved for Car Parking at Ashurst Station, Ashurst, Speldhurst

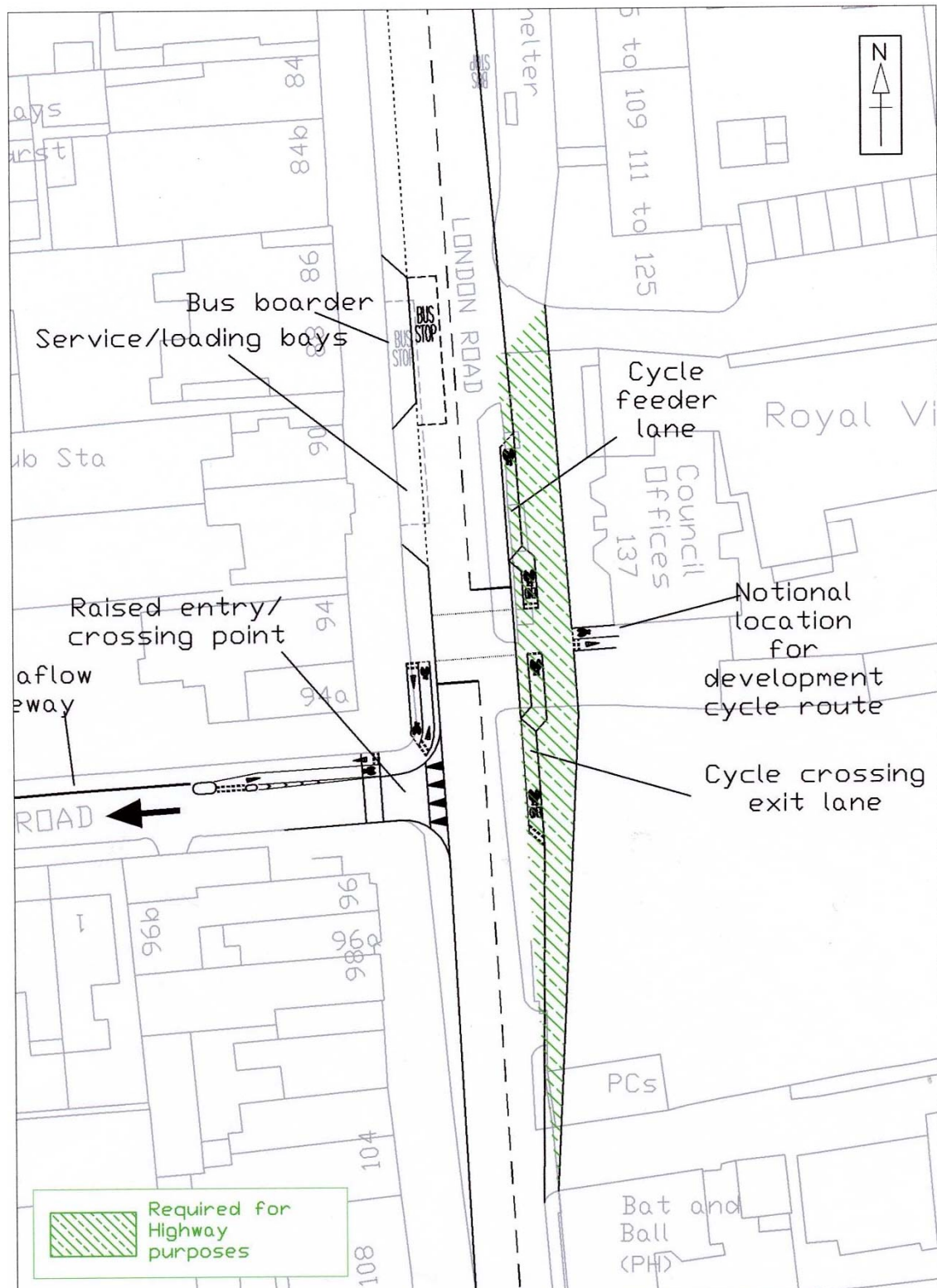
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Highway Improvements – detail of the A26 London Road, Southborough, loading and short stay parking bays and cycle/pedestrian crossing facilities: Policy TP19(a)

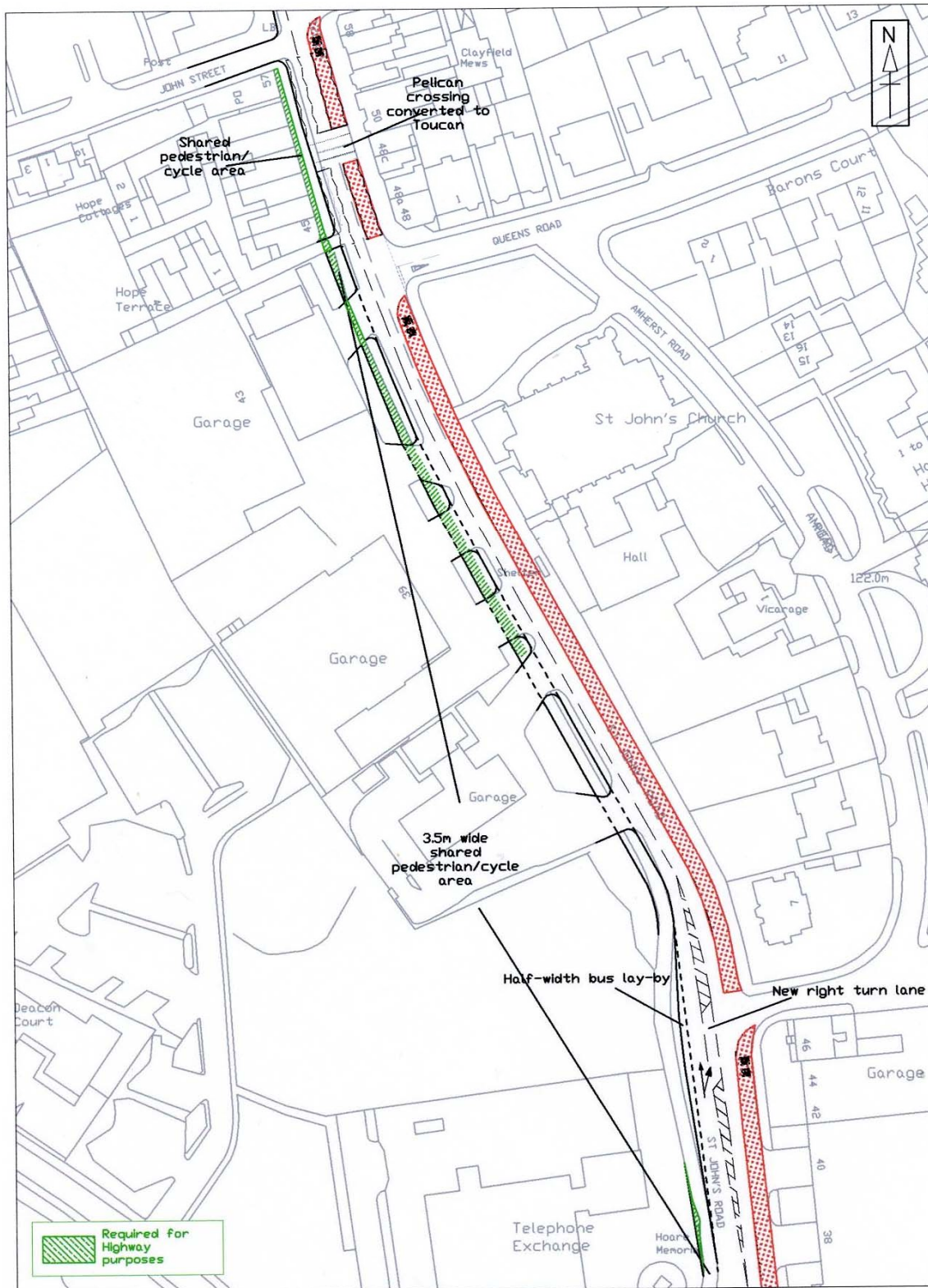
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Highway Improvements – detail of the A26 between John Street and Culverden Park, southbound bus priority measures: Policy TP19(b)

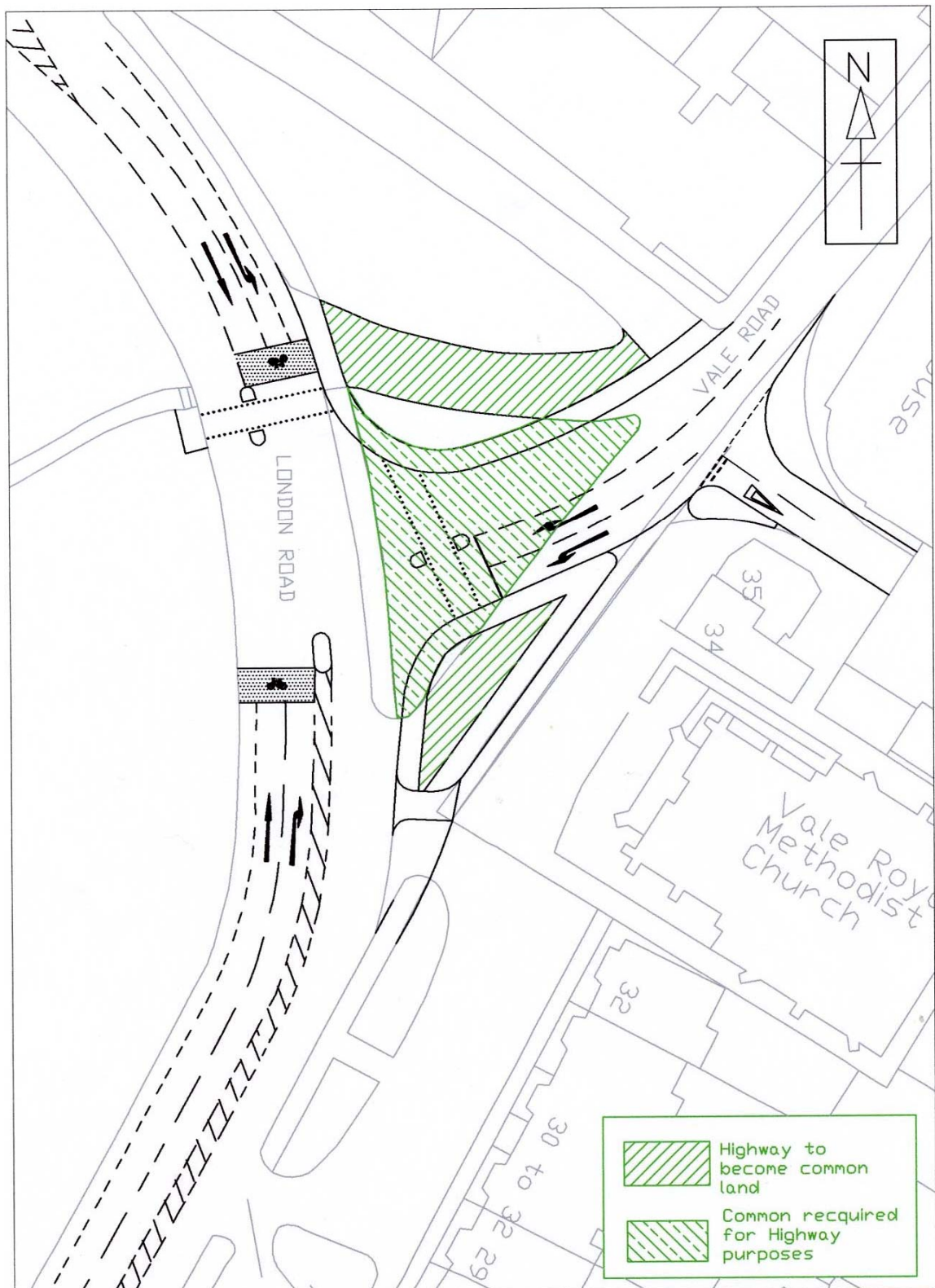
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Highway Improvements – detail of the A26 London Road/Vale Road junction improvements: Policy TP19(c)

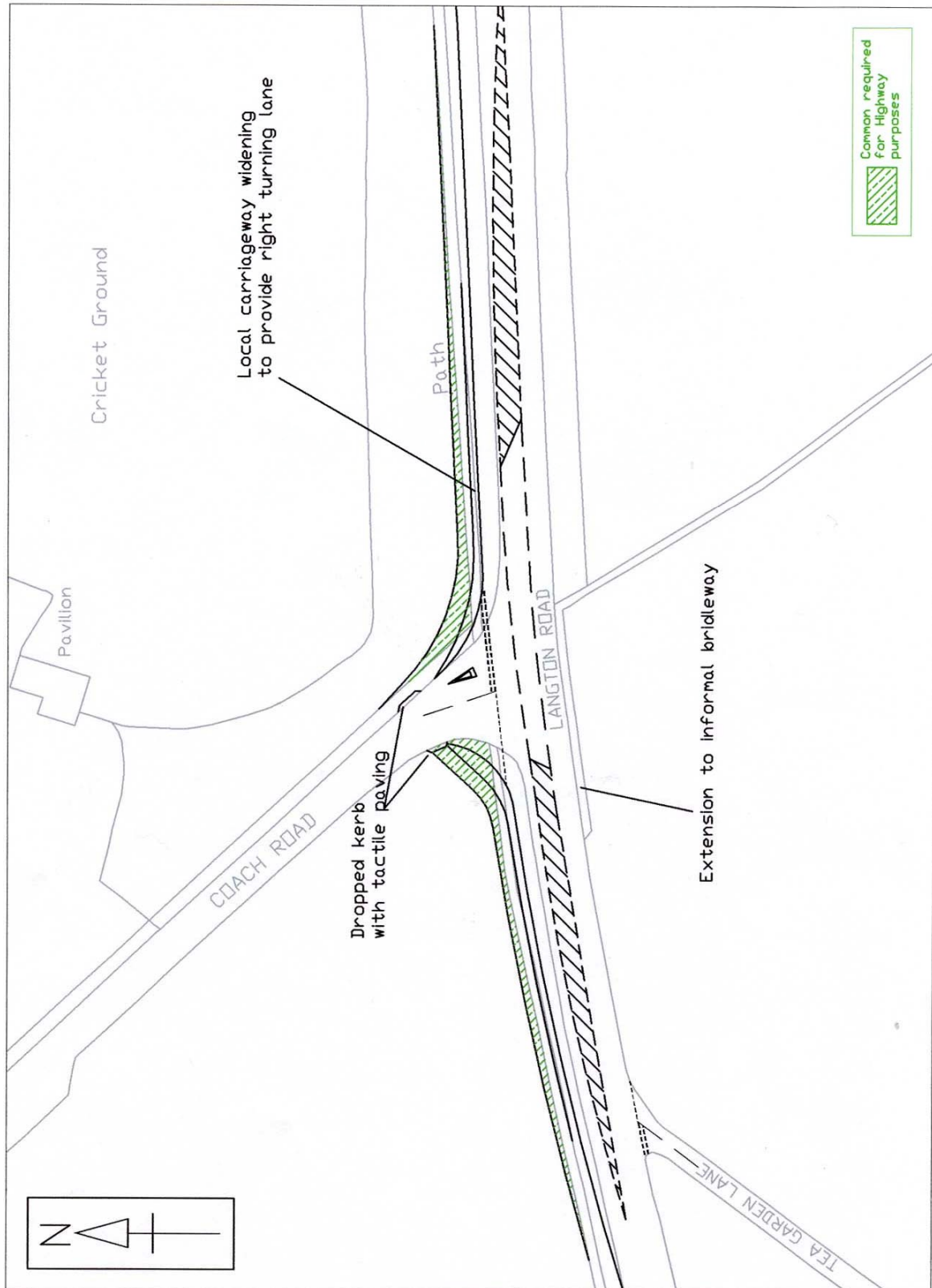
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Highway Improvements – detail of the A264 Langton Road/Coach Road junction improvements: Policy TP19(d)

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Highway Improvements – detail of the A264 Langton Road loading and short stay parking bays: Policy TP19(e)

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