

Agenda Item No. 4(c)

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

**MEETING OF CABINET MEMBER – HIGHWAYS, TRANSPORT AND
INFRASTRUCTURE**

24 March 2015

Report of the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Environment

**B6418 CLOWNE ROAD, STANFREE – PROPOSED TRAFFIC CALMING
AND ZEBRA CROSSING**

(1) **Purpose of Report** To consider the objections/comments received following consultations on the provision of a Traffic Calming Scheme on the B6418 Clowne Road, Stanfree and to approve the introduction of the proposed traffic calming scheme.

(2) **Information and Analysis** The village of Stanfree is located along the B6418 and is subject to a 30mph speed limit. Clowne Road forms part of the B classified road network and, as it serves the village, can be a busy road.

At the scheme identification stage in late 2013, the collision history at this location identified there have been four slight reported injury collisions over a five year period from the 1 September 2008 to 31 August 2013 (See Appendix 1).

There is correspondence from the Police expressing concerns at motorists' lack of compliance to the 30mph limit. This in turn places an enforcement burden on the Police. Appendix 2 is attached including a brief summary of the traffic survey data carried out in October 2012.

Proposed improvements on the B6418 Clowne Road, Stanfree will help to achieve compliance with the existing 30mph limit and will also help to reduce the collision history at this location.

The proposed scheme will involve (for further details see Appendix 3):

- Installation of a system of four 'bus friendly' traffic calming plateaux.
- A Zebra crossing to be provided in conjunction with the plateau located outside the playground.
- Installation of 'hump' warning signs on the approaches to the scheme.

These measures should reduce vehicle speeds through the village of Stanfree and provide a safe crossing point for pedestrians wishing to cross the road in the vicinity of the playground.

Officer Comment

A public consultation event on the proposed traffic calming scheme was held at the Oxcroft Miners Welfare Social Club on 30 September 2014, from 4pm to 7pm. The public consultation event was well attended and 38 feedback forms were completed.

In summary, 35 (92%) completed feedback forms were in favour of traffic calming with 3 (8%) not in favour of traffic calming. As well as concerns over car speeds and the dangers for children crossing to and from the park, requests were made to consider installing speed cameras.

However, use of safety cameras to control the speed of traffic is based on strict government criteria linked to the number of recorded speed-related collisions that have resulted in serious or fatal injuries. The collision statistics on Clowne Road, Stanfree do not meet these criteria and therefore permission would not be granted for safety camera use.

Formal Consultation on the proposed Traffic Calming Scheme was carried out on 10 October to 31 October 2014 (see Appendix 4 for details). This included a letter to affected frontages and letters to the Chief Constable, County Members, other statutory consultees and the advertisement of a road hump notice on site and in the local press (See Appendix 5 for details).

Following this process, one objection has been received which requested that an additional plateau is installed outside the school house, as a result of concerns that a vehicle will be unable to stop when a pedestrian is using the Zebra crossing. However, it is felt that the suggested features will generally help reduce speeds and better achieve better driver compliance with the 30mph limit. Officers will, however, monitor the effectiveness of these features once installed.

Vertical traffic calming features may result in minor increases in noise, especially when larger vehicles travel over them. Research suggests, however, that if these are constructed in accordance with legislation, such levels are negligible.

It is recommended that the proposed Traffic Calming Scheme is implemented as a valuable contribution to road safety that will help to reduce the collision history at this location and achieve better compliance to the 30mph speed limit.

Local Member Comment

Councillor Anne Western supports the need for a scheme through the village.

(3) **Financial Considerations** The cost of the scheme, estimated at £50,000, is to be met from the 2014/15 approved Local Transport Plan Capital budget.

(4) **Legal Considerations** Section 90A of the Highways Act 1980 ("the 1980 Act") enables a highway authority to construct road humps in a highway maintainable at the public expense and for which they are the highway authority where the highway is subject to a statutory speed limit of 30 mph or less.

Section 90C of the 1980 Act provides that where it is proposed to construct road humps, consultations must be carried out with the chief officer of police for the area in which the highway is situated and such other persons or bodies as may be prescribed by regulations made by the Secretary of State. Notice of the proposal shall also be published in a local newspaper and placed at appropriate points on the highway allowing at least 21 days for the receipt of objections. A local inquiry may be held if the highway authority thinks fit.

The relevant regulations are the Highways (Road Humps) Regulations 1999 which also require consultation with the chief officer of the fire brigade and the chief officer of the ambulance service for the area in which the highway is situated, and with organisations which appear to the highway authority to represent persons who use the relevant highway or who are otherwise likely to be affected by the road humps.

Section 23 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ('the 1984 Act') empowers a local traffic authority to establish crossings for pedestrians on roads for which they are the traffic authority, and to alter or remove any such crossings. Regulations made under the 1984 Act prescribe the manner in which such crossings should be indicated.

Before establishing, altering, or removing a crossing the local traffic authority is required to consult the chief of police about the proposal, give public notice of the proposal and inform the Secretary of State in writing of the proposal.

Section 122(1) of the 1984 Act states that it shall be the duty of every Local Authority to exercise the functions conferred by that Act (so far as practicable having regard to the matters listed in subsection (2)) to secure the expeditious, convenient and safe movement of vehicular and other traffic (including pedestrians) and the provision of suitable and adequate parking facilities both on and off the highway.

The matters referred to in Section 122(2) are:

- (a) the desirability of securing and maintaining reasonable access to premises;

- (b) the effect on the amenities of any locality affected and (without prejudice to the generality of this paragraph) the importance of regulating and restricting the use of roads by heavy commercial vehicles, so as to improve the amenities of the areas through which the roads run;
- (bb) the national air quality strategy prepared under Section 80 of the Environment Act 1995.
- (c) the importance of facilitating the passage of public service vehicles and of securing the safety and convenience of persons using or desiring to use such vehicles; and
- (d) any other matters appearing to the Local Authority to be relevant.

Other Considerations

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered: prevention of crime and disorder, equality and diversity, human resources, environmental, health, property and transport considerations.

(5) **Key Decision** No.

(6) **Call-In** Is it required that call-in be waived in respect of the decisions proposed in the report? No.

(7) **Background Papers** Held on file in the Traffic and Safety Section of the Economy, Transport and Environment Department. Officer contact details – Lee Wright, extension 38674.

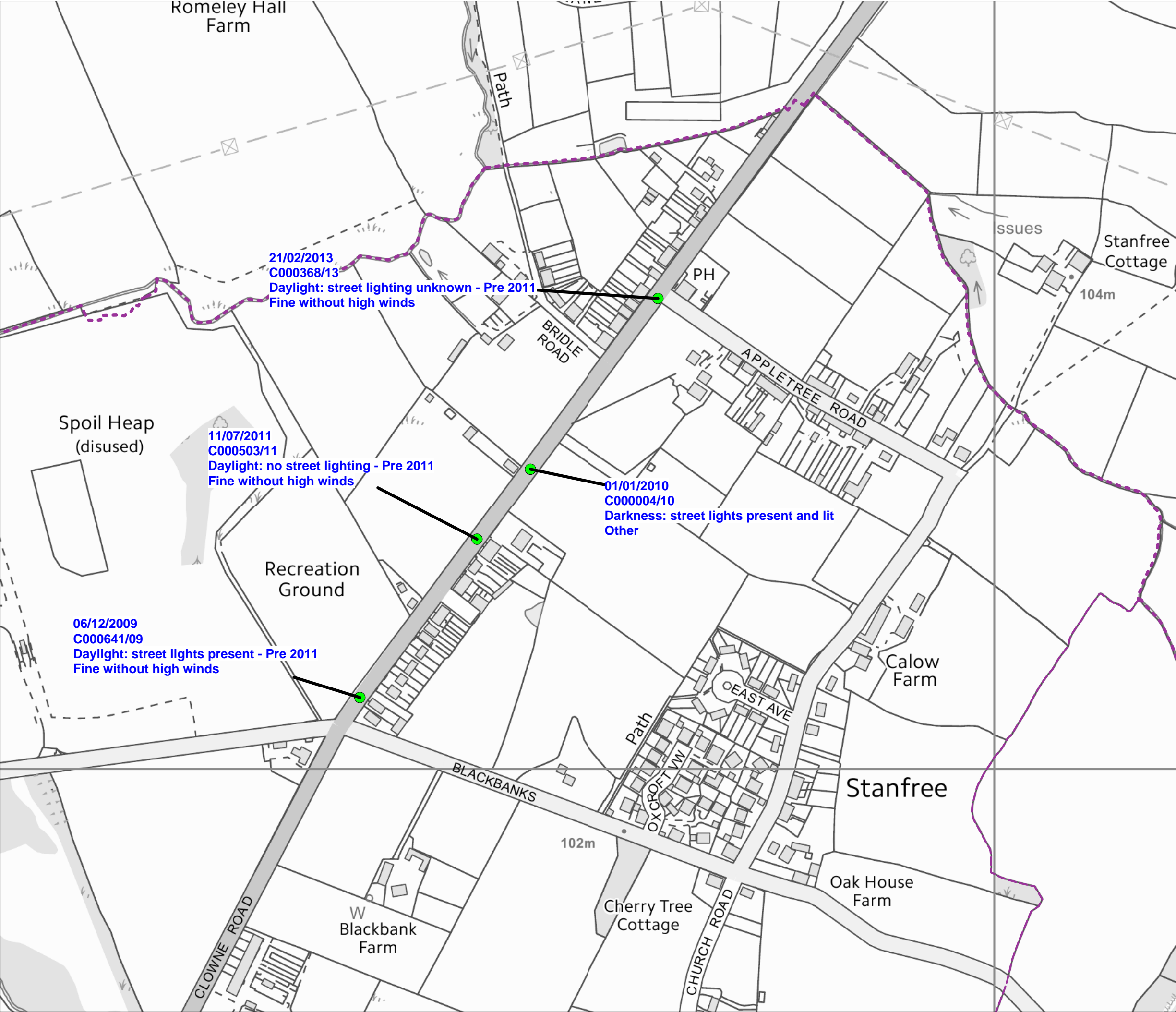
(8) **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATIONS** That the Cabinet Member approves that:

8.1 The Authority proceeds with the introduction of the proposed Traffic Calming Scheme on B6418 Clowne Road, Stanfree.


8.2 The Authority monitors the traffic speeds at this location to help identify the effectiveness of the Scheme.

8.3 The local Member and objectors are notified accordingly.

Mike Ashworth
Strategic Director – Economy, Transport Environment

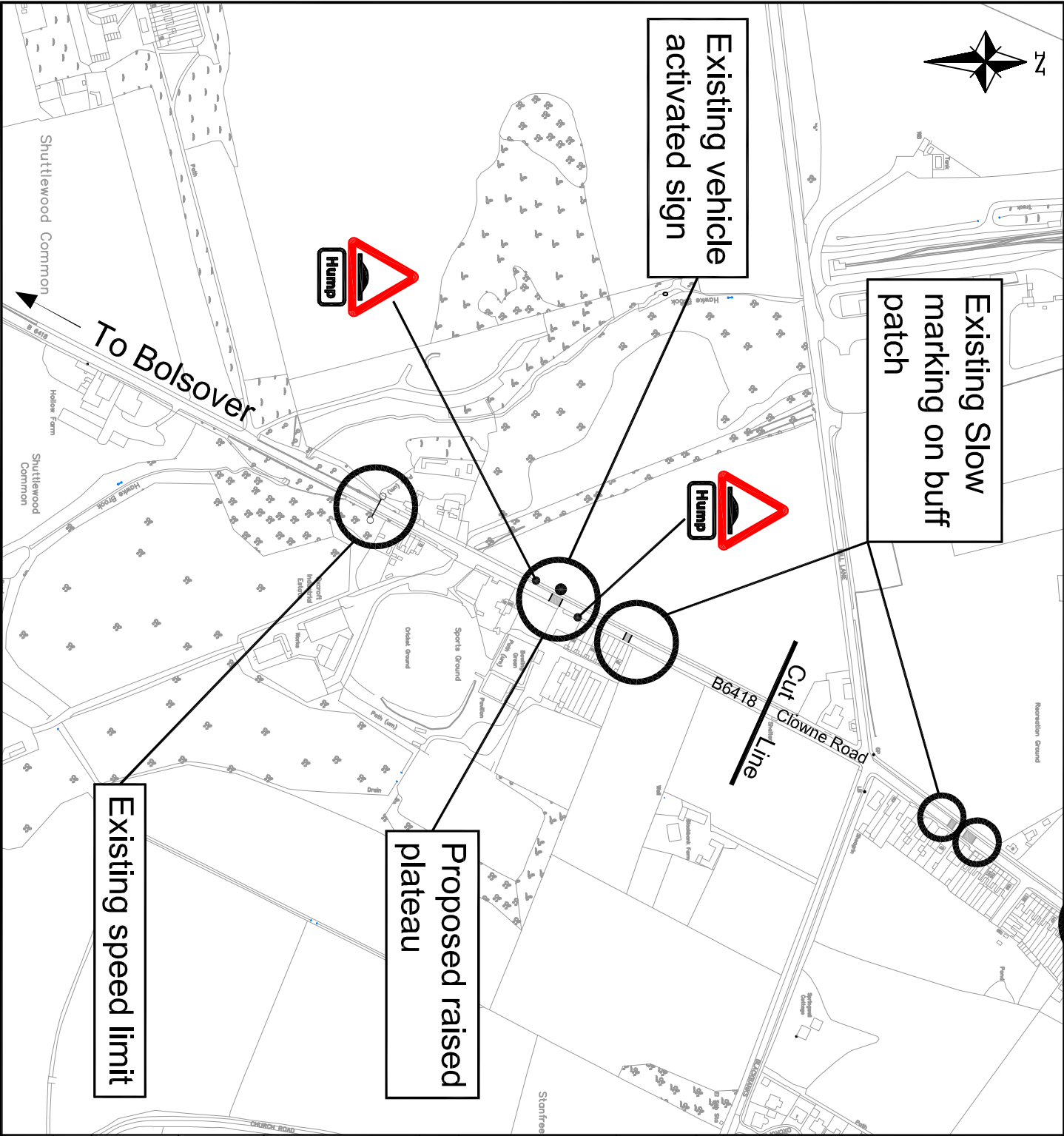


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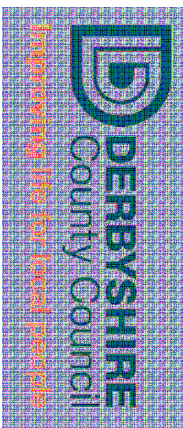
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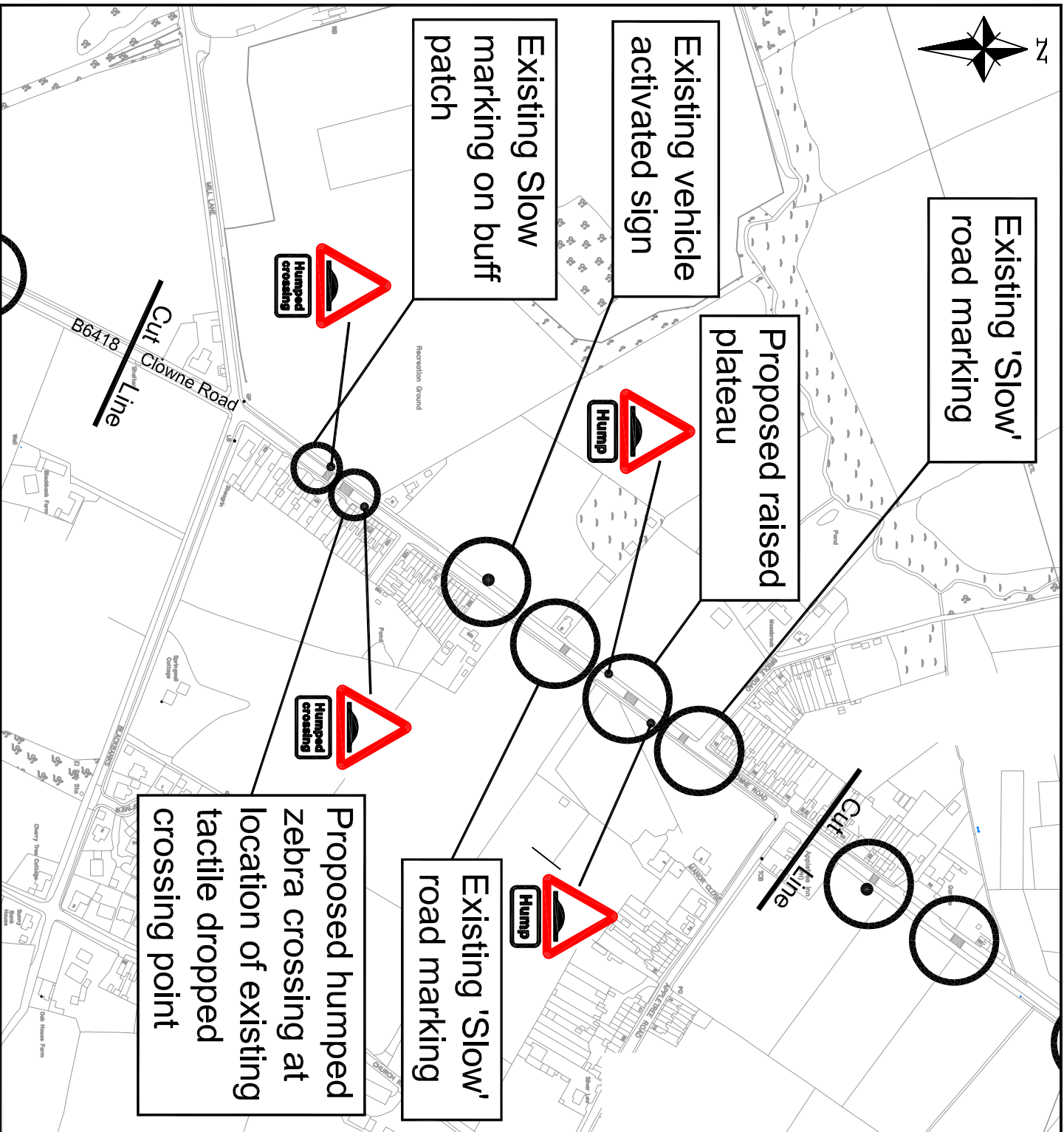
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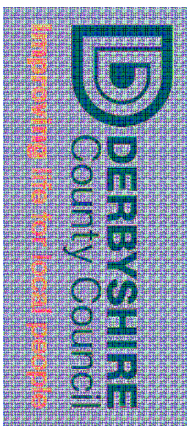
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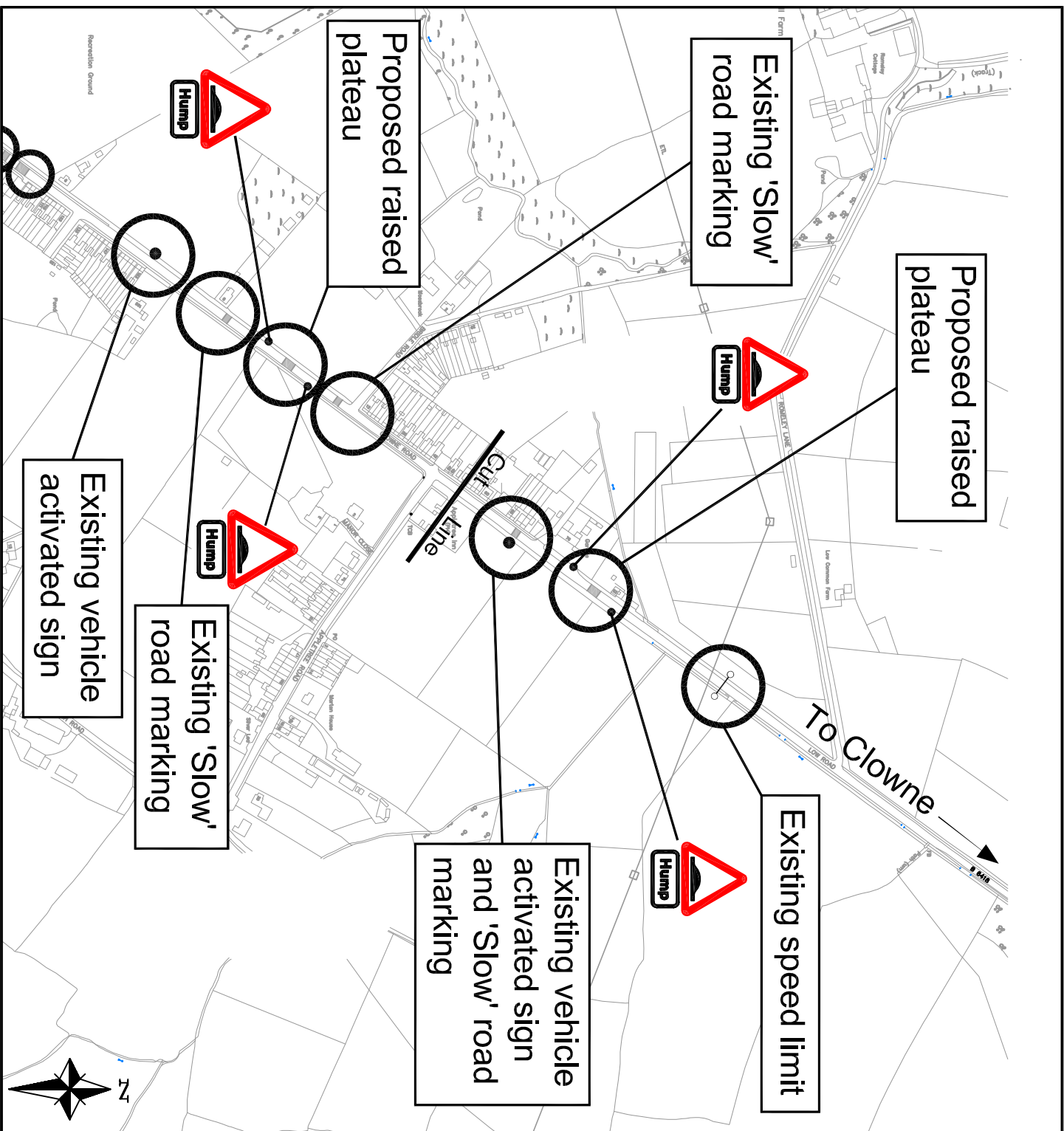
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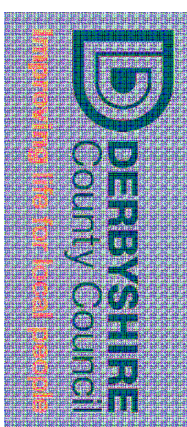
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Our ref HMHD/JW/CMF/14-040203
Your ref
Date 28th November 2014

Dear Sirs

**B6418 Clowne Road, Stanfree
Proposed Traffic Calming Scheme**

Please find attached 1no copy of drawing no. 14-040203/Cons1A showing the proposed works to install 3no. raised plateaux (one of which will be a zebra crossing) on B6418 Clowne Road, Stanfree.

The scheme is programmed for the current financial year, and I shall be grateful to receive any comments which you may have regarding these proposals by 19th December 2014.

Yours faithfully

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Development Control
HIU Section
For the attention of Debbie Spencer

Memorandum
Public Transport Unit
For the attention of Dean Jones

Councillor D Collins
c/o Corporate Resources

Councillor Anne Dixon
c/o Corporate Resources

To the occupier:-
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115, 117, 119, 121, 123, 125, 127,
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157, 159, 161, 163, 165
Clowne Road
Stanfree
Chesterfield
S44 6AR

To the occupier:-
Nos. 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26,
28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 46, 48,
52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 68, 70, 72, 74,
The Old School House, Brook
Cottage, Appletree Inn
Clowne Road
Stanfree
Chesterfield
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To the occupier:-
Nos. 39, 41, 43, 45, 47, 51, 53, 57,
59, 61, 63, 65, 66, 67, 69, 71, 73, 75,
77, 79, Clowne Road Garage
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Stanfree
Chesterfield
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THE DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(B6418 CLOWNE ROAD, STANFREE)
CONSTRUCTION OF SPEED REDUCING
MEASURES

Notice is hereby given that the Derbyshire County Council in exercise of its powers conferred by Sections 90A – 90I of the Highways Act 1980 propose to “traffic calm” the above length of road.

The effect will be to construct:

Three number 70mm high raised plateau (one of which is a raised zebra crossing) on B6418 Clowne Road, Stanfree.

A plan showing the intended location of these features can be viewed at the offices of the Derbyshire County Council, Main Reception, County Hall, Matlock between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday, and Clowne Library, Recreation Close, Clowne, Chesterfield S43 4PL, Monday 2pm to 7pm, Tuesday and Thursday 10am to 5pm, Friday 2pm to 5pm, and Saturday 9.30am to 1pm until 19 December 2014.

All objections and other representations to the proposal must be made in writing and all objections must state the grounds on which they are made and be sent to the Strategic Director – Economy, Transport and Environment, Derbyshire County Council, County Hall, Matlock DE4 3AG (For Attention of Highways Management, Highways Design) or email netmanadmin@derbyshire.gov.uk by 19 December 2014.

Dated: 27 November 2014.

Mike Ashworth, Strategic Director - Economy, Transport and Environment, Derbyshire County Council, County Hall, Matlock DE4 3AG.