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DESIGNERS REPONSE TO STAGE 1 ROAD SAFETY AUDITS

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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report provides a Designers Response on two Stage 1 Road Safety Audits (RSAs) carried out for two options for the proposed site access arrangements serving the development of seven age restricted dwellings on land to the south of the B3041 Clifton Road.
- 1.2 The Stage 1 RSA was requested by Oxfordshire County Council's (OCC) Area Liaison Officers on 27 January 2021 to assess the proposals shown in
 - i. P19-1601_001_SK Figure 2 Rev B Option 1; and
 - ii. P19-1601_001_SK Figure 2 Rev B Option 2.
- 1.3 Both drawings are included at **Appendix A**.
- 1.4 The Stage 1 Road Safety Audits were received by the design team on 11 February 2021 and the recommendations made in the RSAs have been reviewed accordingly. The Stage 1 RSA of Option 1 is included at **Appendix B**, with the Stage 1 RSA of Option 2 included at **Appendix C**.
- 1.5 This report is set out in the same format as the Stage 1 RSA with the RSA recommendations explained by the Auditor. The Designer's Response is provided under the DESIGNERS RESPONSE heading, beneath the auditor recommendation.

2. DESIGNERS RESPONSE TO STAGE 1 ROAD SAFETY AUDIT OF OPTION 1

2.1 **PROBLEM**

Location – Proposed new access junction

Summary: Potential pull-out type vehicle collisions

At the proposed new access junction, visibility to the left for drivers of vehicles emerging from the development could be restricted by vegetation in the verge. Restricted visibility could lead to a vehicle pulling out into the path of an oncoming eastbound vehicle.



RECOMMENDATION

Adequate visibility splays should be kept free of obstruction, including vegetation and, to ensure that visibility splays remain free of obstruction in the future, the Highway Boundary should be located behind visibility splays.

DESIGNERS RESPONSE

Noted. Junction visibility splays are in excess of what is typically sought for the locally measured speeds (dimensions as shown on the drawings) and the fact that they are in publicly maintainable highway land means that they will be able to remain free of obstruction.



2.2 **PROBLEM**

Location - Proposed new uncontrolled pedestrian crossing on Clifton Road

Summary: Potential hazard for pedestrians

The proposed uncontrolled crossing is located quite close to a bend in the road, and intervisibility between vehicle drivers and pedestrians on the south side of the crossing could be restricted by a high wall. For pedestrians crossing from the south side, visibility to their right could also be restricted by a boundary wall. These potential visibility restrictions could lead to pedestrians stepping out into the path of oncoming vehicles on Clifton Road.



RECOMMENDATION

The proposed new crossing should be located further to the east, immediately to the west of the remodelled junction with Earls Lane.

DESIGNERS RESPONSE

Noted. The design has been updated to incorporate this recommendation. P19-1601_001_SK Figure 2 Rev C shows the relocated crossing position with suitable pedestrian visibility splays in excess of what is required for the locally measured speeds (dimensions as shown on the drawing) and is included at **Appendix D**.

3. DESIGNERS RESPONSE TO STAGE 1 ROAD SAFETY AUDIT OF OPTION 2

3.1 **PROBLEM**

Location – Proposed new access junction

Summary: Potential pull-out type vehicle collisions

At the proposed new access junction, visibility to the left for drivers of vehicles emerging from the development could be restricted by vegetation in the verge. Restricted visibility could lead to a vehicle pulling out into the path of an oncoming eastbound vehicle.



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RECOMMENDATION

The proposed new crossing should be located further to the east away from the driveway, immediately to the west of the remodelled junction with Earls Lane.

DESIGNERS RESPONSE

Noted. The design has been updated to incorporate this recommendation. P19-1601_001_SK Figure 2 Rev C shows the relocated crossing position with suitable pedestrian visibility splays in excess of what is required for the locally measured speeds (dimensions as shown on the drawing) and is included at **Appendix D**.

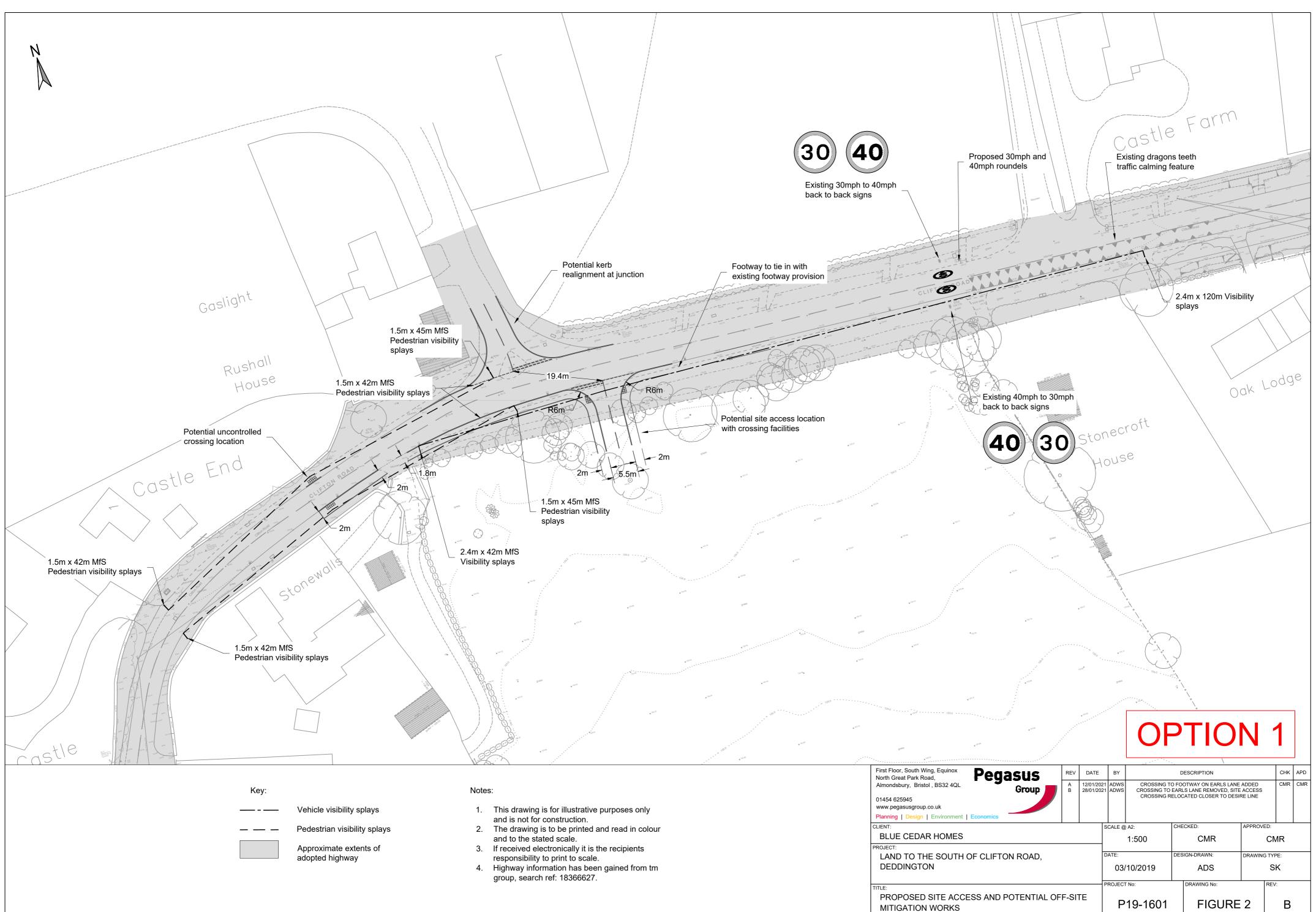


4. CONCLUSIONS

- 4.1 All recommendations made with the Stage 1 Road Safety Audits have been reviewed and considered accordingly.
- 4.2 The design shown within P19-1601_001_SK Figure 2 Rev B Option 1 and P19-1601_001_SK Figure 2 Rev B Option 2 has been updated to incorporate these recommendations.
- 4.3 P19-1601_001_SK Figure 2 Rev C shows the updated proposed site access and potential off-site mitigation works and is included at **Appendix D**.



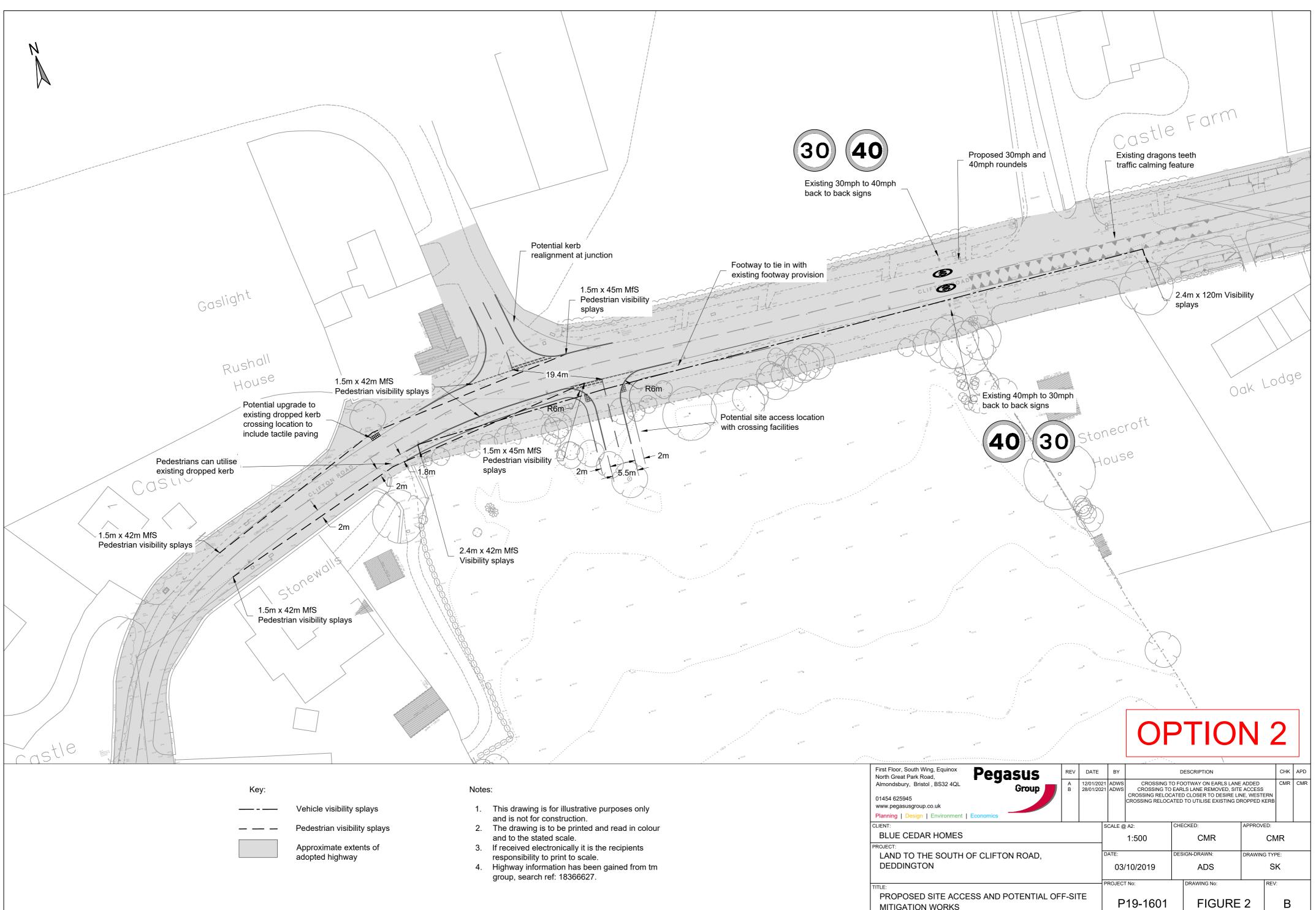
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APPENDIX B

Clifton Road, Deddington, Banbury Proposed Section 278 Works (Option 1)



Road Safety Audit Stage 1

on behalf of Blue Cedar Homes Ltd

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Clifton Road, Deddington – Proposed Section 278 Works (Option 1)

Road Safety Audit Stage 1

1 Introduction

- 1.1 This report describes a Stage 1 Road Safety Audit carried out on a proposed Section 278 works on Clifton Road, Deddington, Oxfordshire, on behalf of Blue Cedar Homes Ltd. The audit was carried out on 11th February 2021 in the office of Mr Paul.
- 1.2 The Audit Team members were as follows:

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- 1.3 The audit comprised an examination of the drawings and other information relating to the scheme supplied by the design office, which is listed in **Appendix A**. The site was visited by the Audit Team together on 11th February 2021 between 10.30am and 11am. The weather was dry and cold. Traffic flows were moderate, and pedestrian and cycle flows were very low. However, traffic flows may have been affected by coronavirus travel restrictions.
- 1.4 The terms of reference of the audit are as described in Standard GG 119 (previously HD 19/15). The team has examined and reported only on the road safety implications of the scheme as presented and has not examined or verified the compliance of the design to any other criteria.
- 1.5 All of the problems described in this report are considered by the audit team to require action in order to improve the safety of the scheme and minimise accident occurrence. Comments and recommendations are indicated on the plan in **Appendix B**.
- 1.6 The scheme consists of the provision of a new vehicle access off Clifton Road, Deddington, associated with a proposed development on land to the south of Clifton Road, and includes a new pedestrian crossing point across Clifton Road to the west of the proposed access together with alterations to the junction with Earls Lane.

2 Items resulting from this Stage 1 Audit

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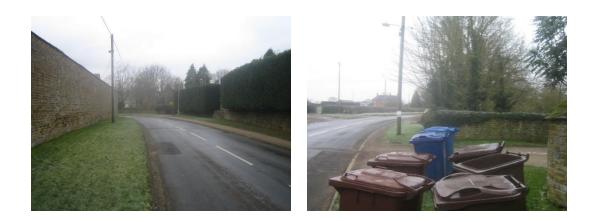
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Information Provided

List of Drawings Examined:

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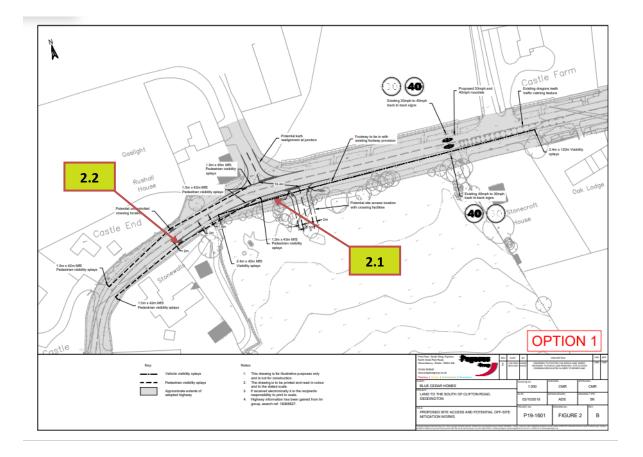
Other Information Provided:

ATC Speed Measurements

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Location of Problems





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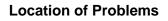
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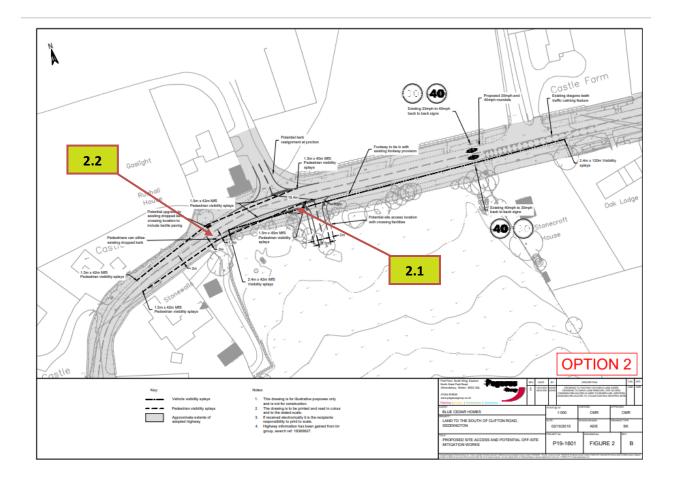
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