

My ref: C3R TWA 020824

Your ref:

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THE NETWORK RAIL Cambridge Re-Signalling Transport Works Act Order

Dear Secretary of State,

This letter is sent by Cambridgeshire County Council (the Council) in relation to the Council's own interests.

Please accept this letter as notification of the Council's intention to **withdraw its objection** to the above Order.

Through discussion with Network Rail, the concerns raised by the Council in its letter of objection (23 September 2022) have been satisfactorily addressed. The Council is therefore withdrawing its objection on the basis of the commitments made by Network Rail in its letter to the Council of 19 January 2023 (attached), which provides details of the changes that Network Rail intends to make to the draft Order, schedules and plans. The withdrawal of the Council's objection is conditional on the amendments specified in Appendix 1 and 2 to that letter being made to the draft Order documents.

We look forward to hearing from you further in due course; please direct all correspondence to the above address.

Yours sincerely

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19/01/2023

Dear James,

**THE NETWORK RAIL CAMBRIDGE RESIGNALLING TRANSPORT AND WORKS ACT ORDER
PROPOSED REDUCTION IN EXTENT OF STOPPING POWERS**

We refer to Cambridgeshire County Councils objection to the above draft Order dated the 23 September 2022 (CCC Ref: C3R TWA 020824).

In summary the objection relates to the proposed extent of highway to be Stopped Up as set out in Schedule 1 of the draft Order and as shown on the draft Land Plans that accompanied it, as it is stated that as shown these may prejudice the pre-existing users of the highway and may prevent the Council from being able to effectively perform its statutory duties.

We appreciate your teams time since the objection was submitted in working through the issues raised to reach a resolution with a view to the objection being withdrawn.

Following the series of workshops with your Consents, Highways Searches and Road Safety Teams throughout October and November, Network Rail have sought to either remove entirely or reduce the extent of the proposed Stopping Up powers at all each of land parcels within your administrative area. Revisions to the proposed layouts of infrastructure at the level crossings have also been made in relation to the proposed upgraded fencing alignments, with the proposed Stopping Up powers reflecting these.

The proposed removal or reduction in the extent of the Stopping Up powers in each of the land parcels noted in your objection are set out in written format in Appendix 1 to this letter. A set of accompanying plans has been provided to show these graphically, showing the highways boundaries, proposed level crossing upgrade works and reduced areas for which Stopping Up powers will be sought is attached as Appendix 2 (those land parcels where Stopping Up Powers are proposed to be removed entirely no longer appear on the plans).

Subject to the Councils agreement to the proposed amendments as shown in Appendix 1 and 2, Network Rail agree that as part of the order process it will update the deposited draft land plans to reflect the above changes, with these reflected in Schedule 1 of the Order, with all revisions to the formal Order documentation provided to the Council for final agreement. Network Rail acknowledges that the withdrawal of the Council's objection to the draft Order is subject to confirmation that the amendments set out in Appendix 1 and 2 have been made to the draft Schedule and plans. Network Rail will not exercise any Stopping Up powers pursuant to Article 3 (Stopping up of streets) of the draft Order, over the areas that have been removed entirely or those outside the reduced areas as shown in Appendix 1 and 2.

As an update on the Order process the Secretary of State for Transport has decided to hold an inquiry into this application. The inquiry will take place no later than 22 weeks from the 1 December 2022.

Network Rail would appreciate that subject to the above being agreed by Cambridgeshire County Council that the objection could be formally withdrawn in good time before the inquiry.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P. Fawcett", written over a horizontal line.

Peter Fawcett

Portfolio Manager Network Rail Eastern (Anglia)

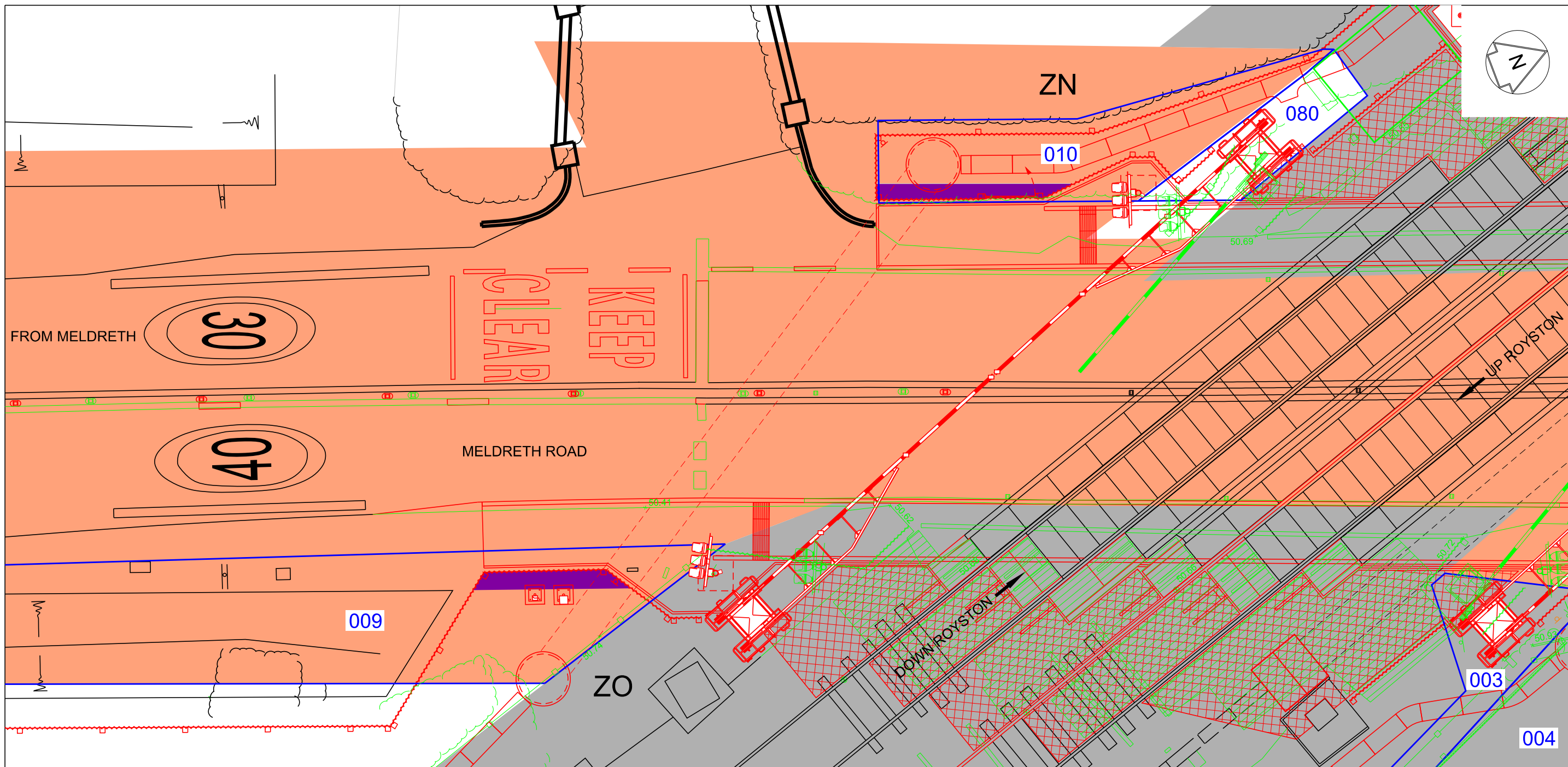
Appendix 1

Level Crossing	Land Parcel	Freehold owners or reputed Freehold owners	Proposed Stopping Up Powers – Amendments
Meldreth	005	Cambridgeshire County Council Unknown (U017)	Network Rail have amended the upgraded fence line to the north of the highway to align with the existing fence, removing the dog leg as shown in deposited land plans that accompanied the draft Order. Following the provision of the up to date highways boundary from Cambridgeshire County Council there is no longer a requirement to Stop Up this land parcel. Network Rail has agreed that the proposed stopping up of land parcel 005 is to be entirely removed from the draft Order
	006	Cambridgeshire County Council Unknown (U018)	Network Rail have amended the upgraded fence line that runs parallel to highway to align with the existing fence. Following the provision of the up to date highways boundary from Cambridgeshire County Council there is no longer a requirement to Stop Up this land parcel. Network Rail has agreed that the proposed stopping up of land parcel 006 is to be entirely removed from the draft Order
	008	Network Rail Infrastructure Limited Unknown (U016)	Following the provision of the up to date highways boundary from Cambridgeshire County Council there is no longer a requirement to Stop Up this land parcel. Network Rail has agreed that the proposed stopping up of land parcel 008 is to be entirely removed from the draft Order
	009	Cambridgeshire County Council Unknown (U019)	Network Rail have amended the upgraded fence line to the south of the highway. Network Rail propose Stopping Up only the area inside fence line on the railway side, as shown on plan 157001-NRD-DRG-ESG-000128 attached. The remainder of land parcel 009 to the west will not be required to be Stopped Up.
	010	Cambridgeshire County Council Unknown (U016)	Following the provision of the up to date highways boundary from Cambridgeshire County Council there is a requirement to Stop Up only the eastern section of this land parcel, as shown on plan 157001-NRD-DRG-ESG-000128 attached.

Six Mile Bottom	304	Cambridgeshire County Council Unknown (U020)	The proposed stopping up of land parcel 304 is to be entirely removed from the draft Order (land parcel 304 is no longer shown as shaded pink on drawing no. 7545345-5 in the YO corner of the level crossing).
	307	Cambridgeshire County Council Unknown (U020)	Following discussions with Cambridgeshire County Council in November 2022, agreement was reached that land parcel 307 can be Stopped Up entirely (shown as shaded pink on drawing no. 7545345-5 in the YO corner of the level crossing).
Dullingham	401	Network Rail Infrastructure Limited Unknown (U001)	Following more detailed design it is no longer required to Stop Up land parcel 401 (no longer shown as shaded pink on drawing no. 7545345-6). Network Rail has agreed that the proposed stopping up of land parcel 401 is to be entirely removed from the draft Order
	402	Michael Mingay Unknown (U002)	Following more detailed design it is no longer required to Stop Up land parcel 402 (no longer shown as shaded pink on drawing no. 7545345-6). Network Rail has agreed that the proposed stopping up of land parcel 402 is to be entirely removed from the draft Order
	403	Cambridgeshire County Council Unknown (U021)	Following more detailed design it is no longer required to Stop Up land parcel 403 (no longer shown as shaded pink on drawing no. 7545345-6). Network Rail has agreed that the proposed stopping up of land parcel 403 is to be entirely removed from the draft Order
Milton fen	601	Network Rail Infrastructure Limited Unknown (U011)	Following more detailed design it is no longer required to Stop Up land parcel 601. Network Rail has agreed that the proposed stopping up of land parcel 601 is to be entirely removed from the draft Order

	603	Network Rail Infrastructure Limited Unknown (U015)	Following discussions with Cambridgeshire County Council in November 2022, agreement was reached that land parcel 603 can be Stopped Up entirely within the updated highways boundary as shown on plan 157001-NRD-DRG-ESG-000127 attached. This area will be wholly fenced off.
Waterbeach	703	Cambridgeshire County Council	Following the provision of the up to date highways boundary from Cambridgeshire County Council there is no longer a requirement to Stop Up this land parcel. Network Rail has agreed that the proposed stopping up of land parcel 703 is to be entirely removed from the draft Order
	704	Cambridgeshire County Council	Following more detailed design it is no longer required to Stop Up land parcel 704. Network Rail has agreed that the proposed stopping up of land parcel 704 is to be entirely removed from the draft Order

Appendix 2



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HIGHWAYS LAND INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL 06/02/2020

NETWORK RAIL LAND BOUNDARY BASED ON INFORMATION PROVIDED BY NETWORK RAIL ASSET INFORMATION SERVICES IN DECEMBER 2022.

AREA TO BE STOPPED UP BASED ON BOUNDARY INFORMATION PROVIDED BY CAMBRIDGESHIRE HIGHWAYS ON 28-11-2022'


LAND PARCELS

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GENERAL INFORMATION

01. LEVEL CROSSING IS SITUATED AT ENGINEERING LINE REFERENCE SBR AT LINE MILEAGE 49 MILES 37 CHAINS WHERE THE ROAD KNOWN AS MELDRETH ROAD IS CROSSED BY THE RAILWAY AT ORDNANCE SURVEY GRID REFERENCE TL 388 477 AND POSTCODE SG8 6PU.
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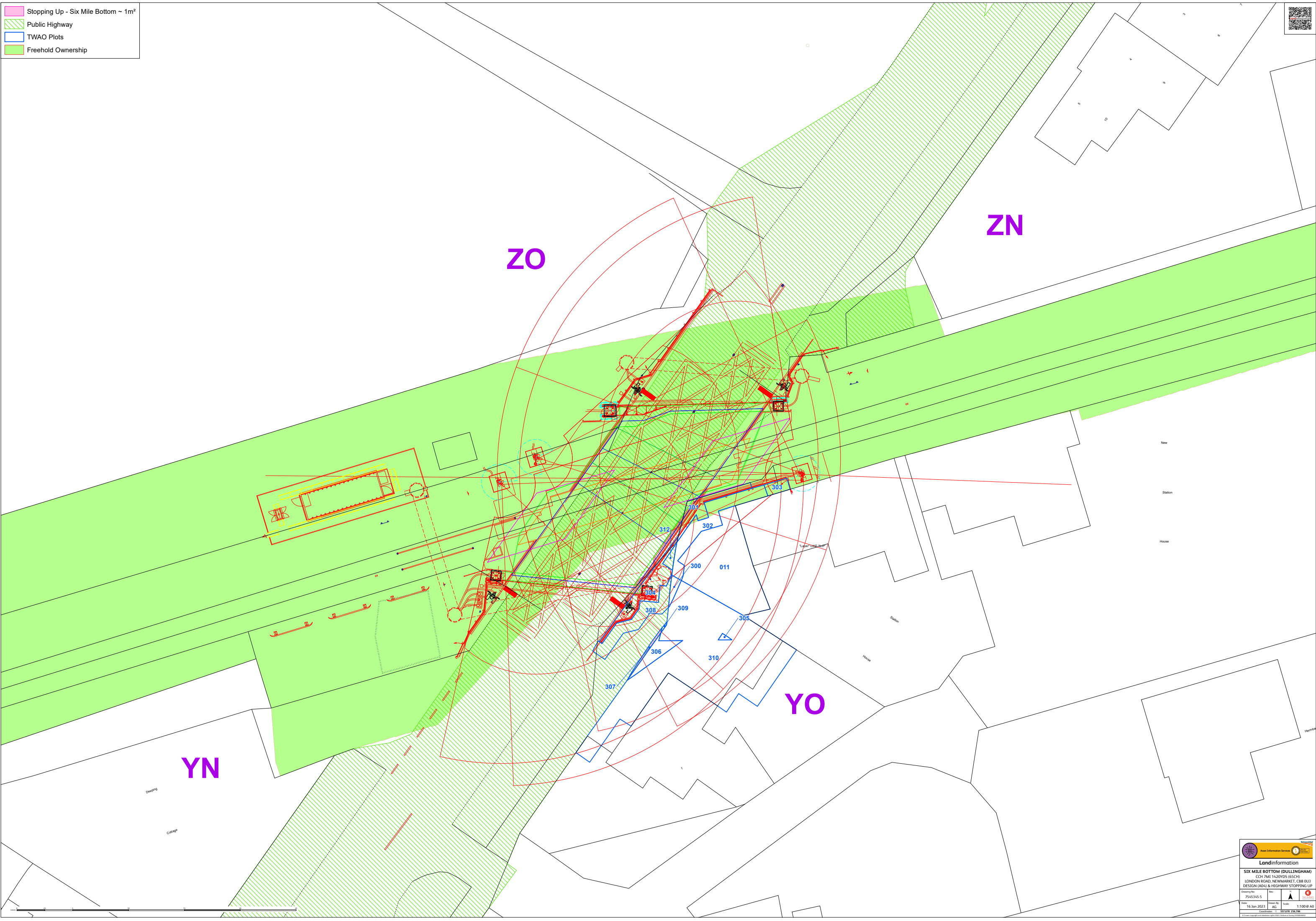
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Stopping Up - Six Mile Bottom ~ 1m²

Public Highway

TWAO Plots

Freehold Ownership



Landinformation

SIX MILE BOTTOM (DULLINGHAM)
CCH 7MI 1420YDS (65SCH)
LONDON ROAD, NEWMARKET, CB8 0UJ
DESIGN (ADO) & HIGHWAY STOPPING UP

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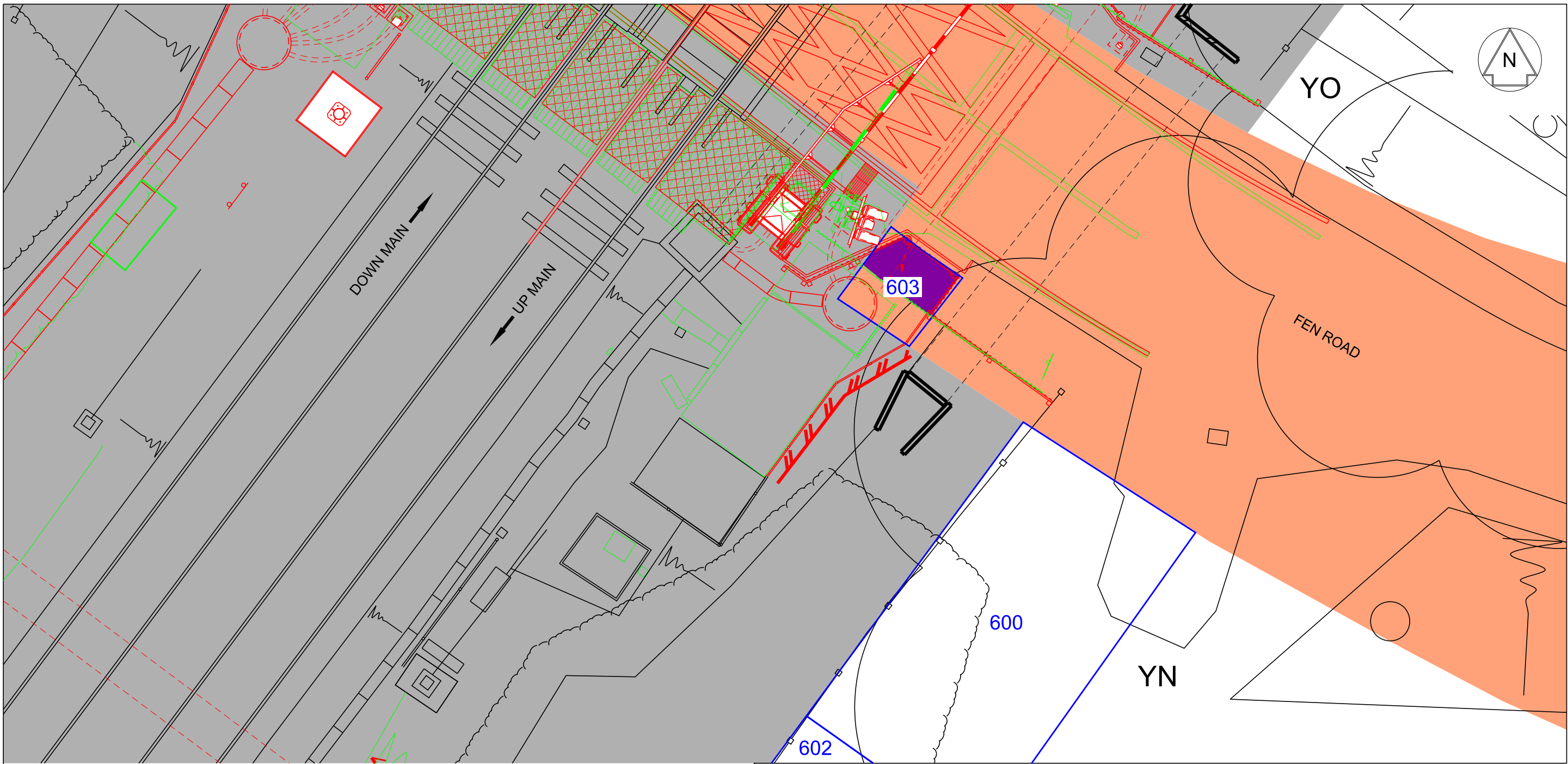
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02. DRAWING TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH GROUND PLAN DRAWING NUMBER 157001-NRD-DRG-ESG-000015.

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