

READING BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT AND NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES

TO:	TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE		
DATE:	14 SEPTEMBER 2016	AGENDA ITEM:	11
TITLE:	TOWN CENTRE PAY & DISPLAY EXPANSION		
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1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 Following an Officer review of parking availability and existing waiting restrictions in Reading town centre, this report provides proposals to increase the number of Pay & Display parking bays.

2. RECOMMENDED ACTION

- 2.1 That the Sub-Committee notes the report.
- 2.2 That the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to carry out statutory consultation and advertise the proposals illustrated in Appendix 1, in accordance with the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996.
- 2.3 That, subject to no objections being received, the Head of Legal and Democratic Services be authorised to make the Traffic Regulation Order.
- 2.4 That any objections received following the statutory advertisement be reported to a future meeting of the Sub-Committee.

3. POLICY CONTEXT

- 3.1 The provision of waiting/parking restrictions and associated criteria is specified within existing Traffic Management Policies and Standards.

4. THE PROPOSAL

- 4.1 Officers conducted a review of the existing on-street Pay & Display parking provision in the town centre, with consideration for any areas where bays could be increased in length, or new bays added.
- 4.2 On street Pay & Display bays provide a short-stay, high-turnaround parking solution that is beneficial to local businesses and customers of the town centre. They also offer free parking for blue-badge holders.
- 4.3 Appendix 1 provides a series of plans to show the alterations that Officers propose. These proposals are a combination of bay extensions, new bays and changes to existing parking restrictions.
- 4.4 In total, the proposals will provide space for an additional 70 Pay & Display parking spaces, based on an average car length of 5m. Due to the variation in car lengths, the benefit is likely to be greater than this.
- 4.5 In conclusion, Officers would like to progress these proposals to statutory consultation, with agreement of the Sub-Committee. Should the Council not receive any objections during the consultation, Officers would like the restrictions to be implemented as advertised. Any objections will be reported back to a future meeting of the Sub-Committee.

5. CONTRIBUTION TO STRATEGIC AIMS

- 5.1 This proposal supports the aims and objectives of the Local Transport Plan and contributes to the Council's strategic aims, as set out below:
- Providing infrastructure to support the economy.
 - Remaining financially sustainable to deliver these service priorities.

6. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION

- 6.1 Proposed changes to waiting restrictions will require advertisement of the legal Notice as part of the statutory consultation process and

advertisement of the sealed Traffic Regulation Order, prior to implementation.

7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 Changes to Traffic Regulation Orders will require advertisement and consultation, under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and in accordance with the Local Authorities Traffic Orders (Procedure) (England and Wales) Regulations 1996.

8. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

8.1 In addition to the Human Rights Act 1998 the Council is required to comply with the Equalities Act 2010. Section 149 of the Equalities Act 2010 requires the Council to have due regard to the need to:-

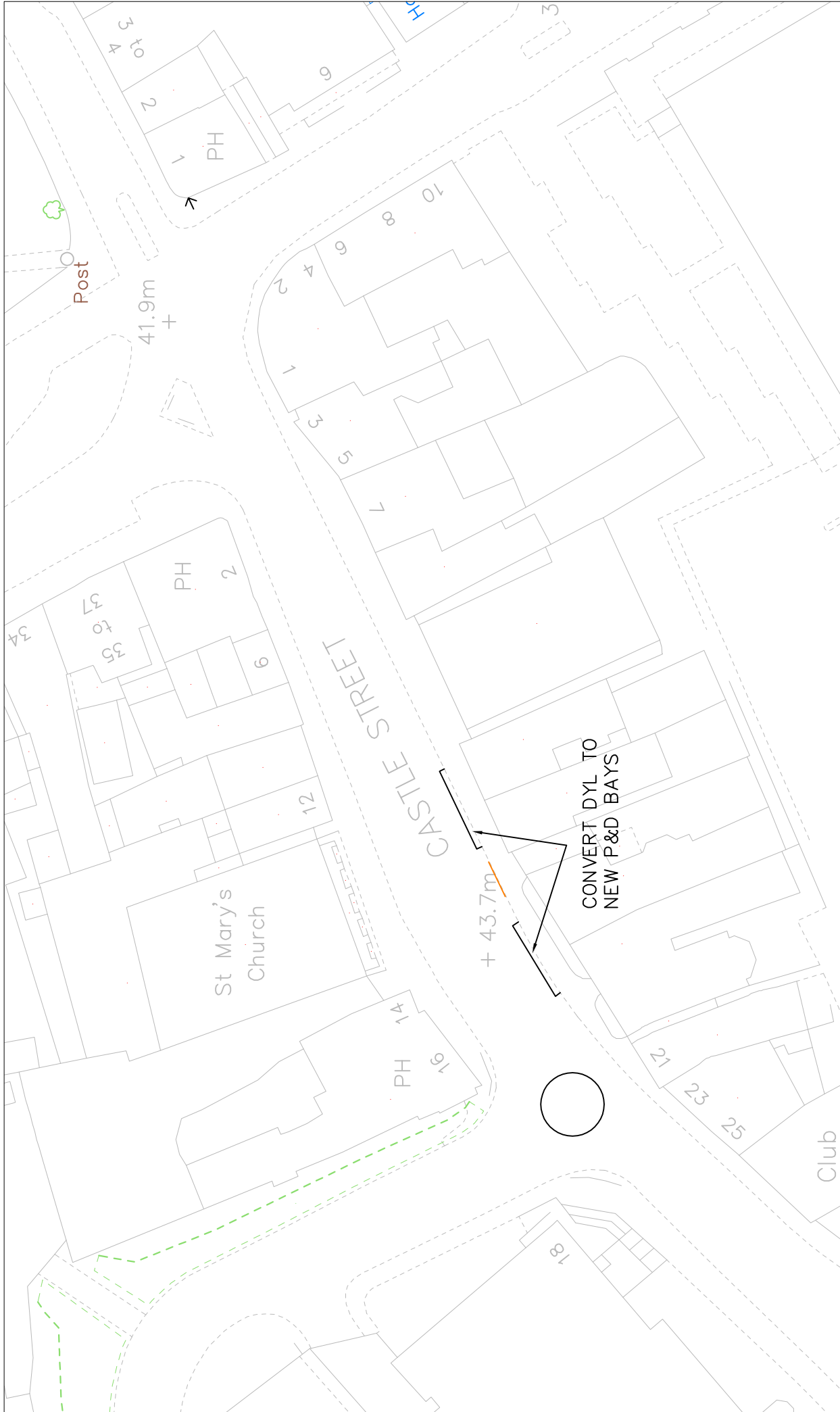
- eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under this Act;
- advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
- foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 The proposals will be funded by existing budgets.

10. BACKGROUND PAPERS

10.1 None.



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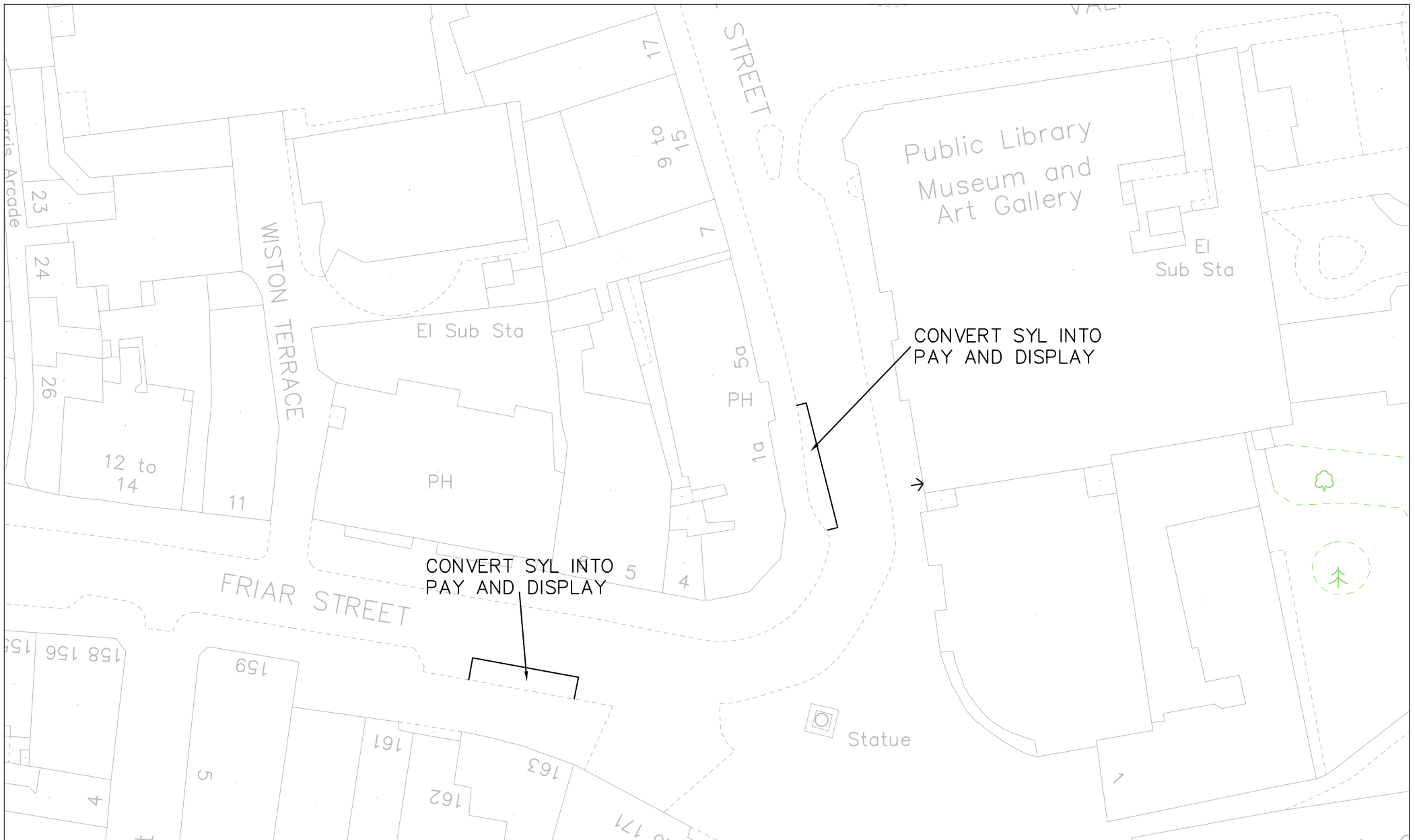
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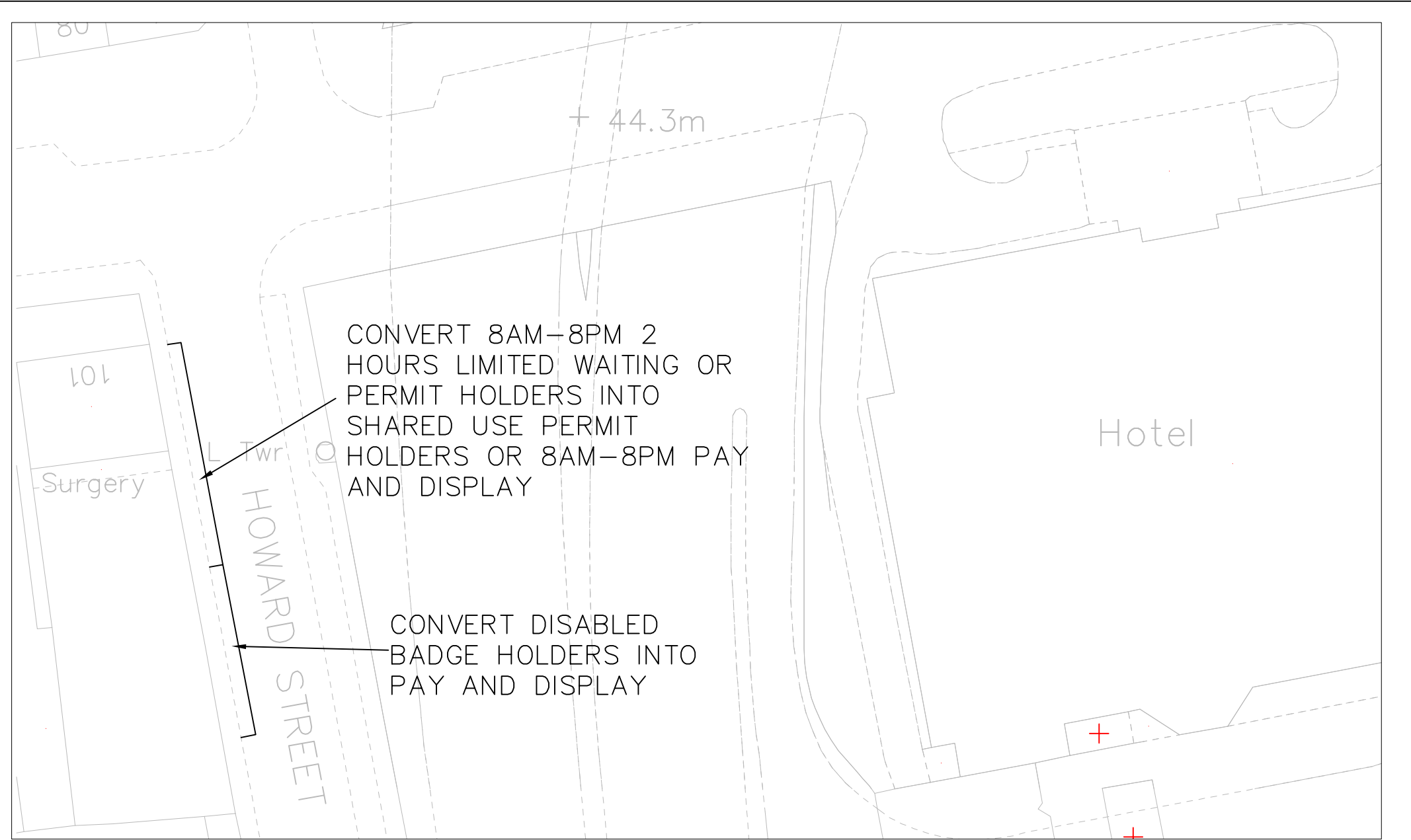
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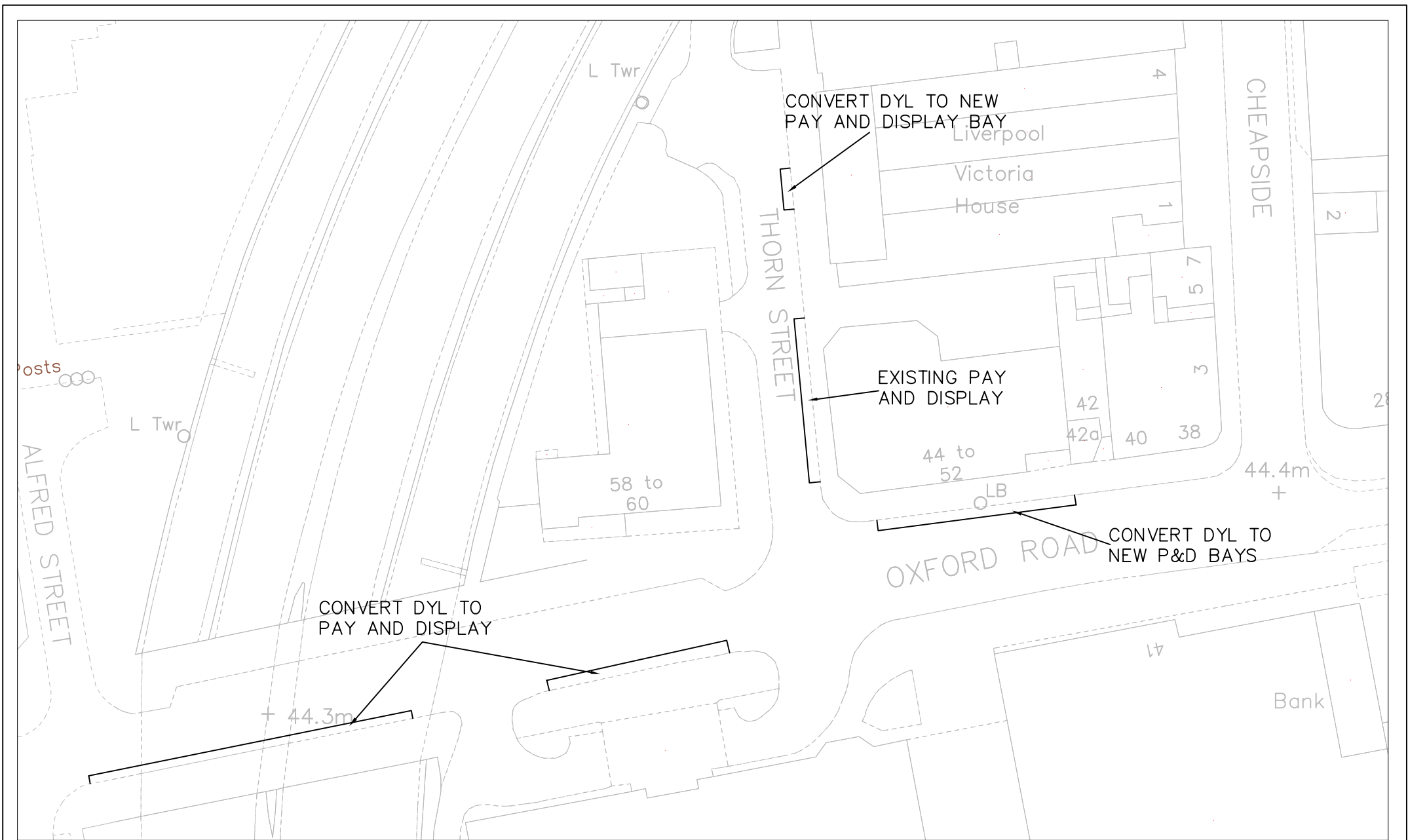
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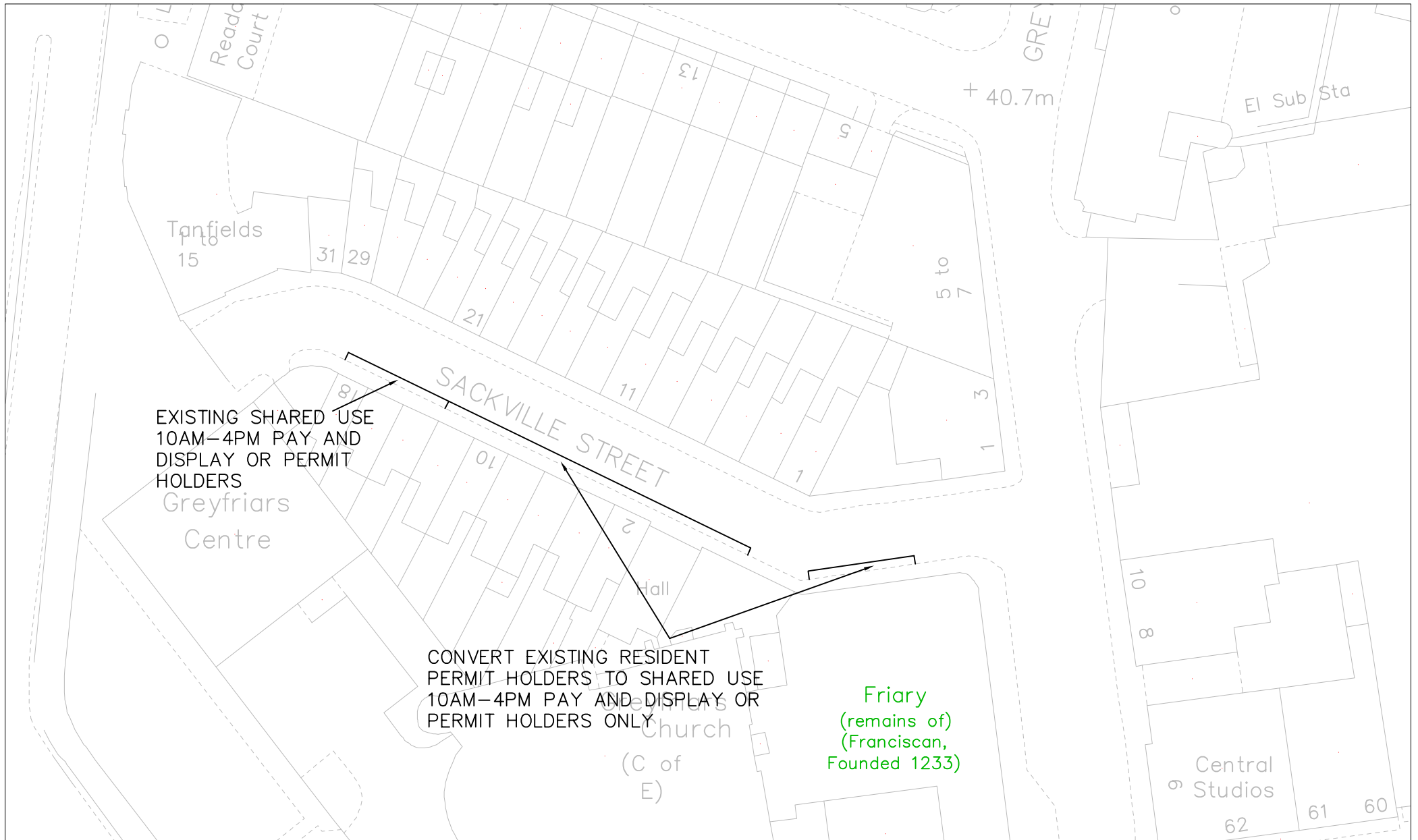
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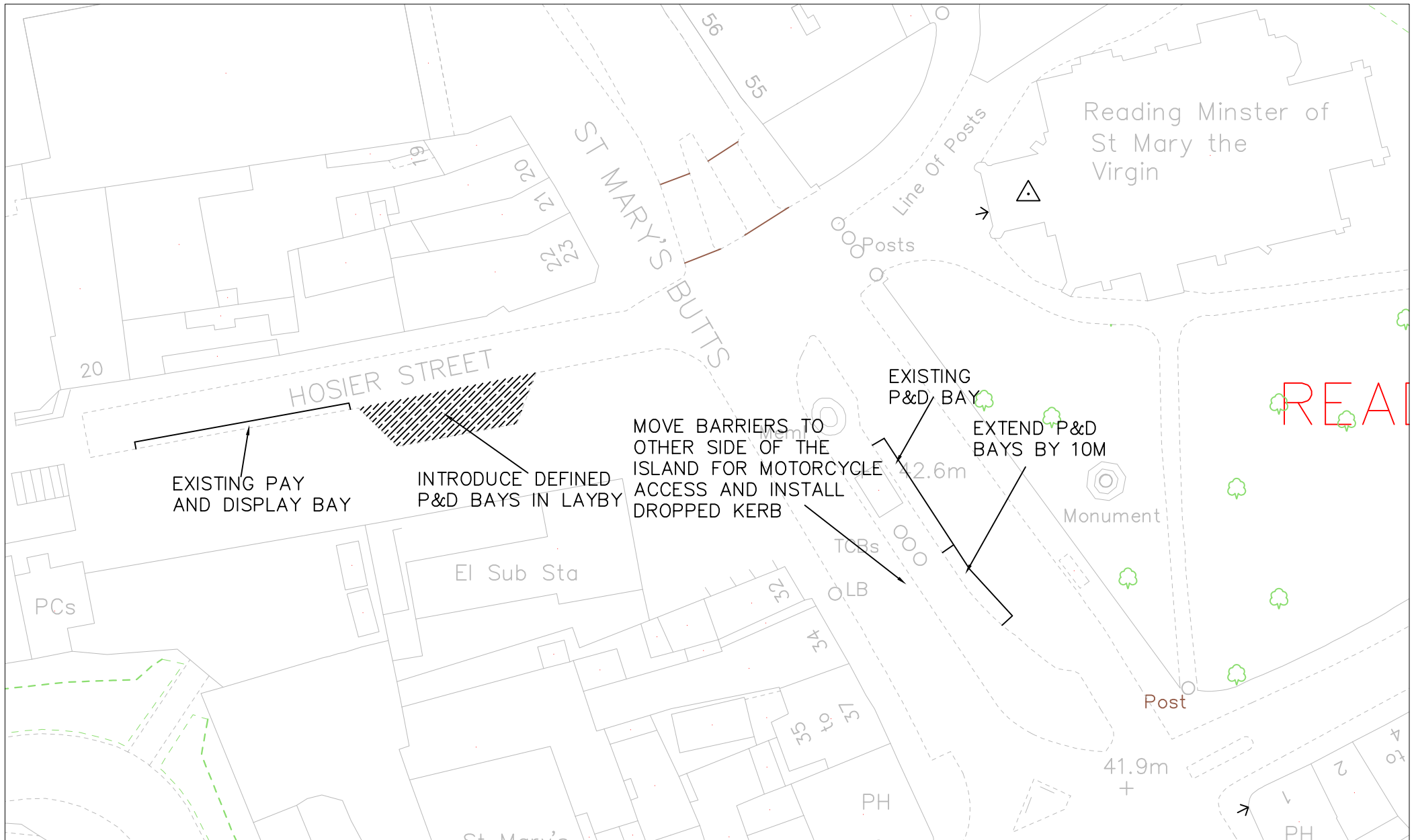
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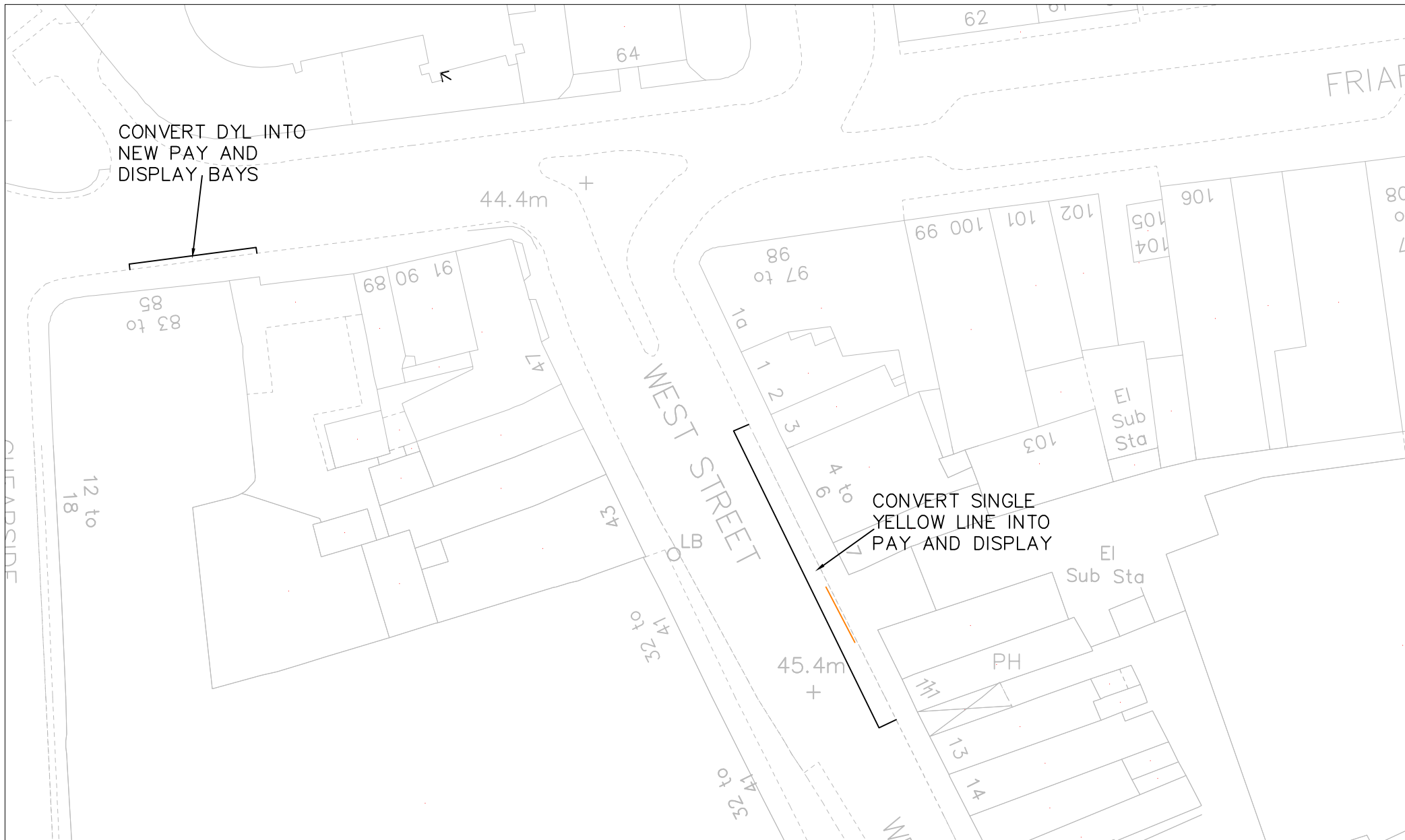
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