

APPENDIX 3 – REQUESTS FOR WAITING RESTRICTIONS 2023A – OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS UPDATED: 10/05/2023

Ward	Street	Summary of Request	Officer recommendation, including any Ward Councillor Comments
1. Abbey	Russell Street	<p>Request for residents to be able to use the existing doctor's spaces on the road at night, due to parking pressures in the area. It has been requested that the bays become shared use with resident permit holders only between 8pm and 8am.</p> <p>A separate request was also made for Russell St, which was initially reviewed as part of the 2022B programme and deferred to 2023A. It is to consider changing some of the parking spaces in the north end of the road to 'permit holders only' due to residents struggling to find places to park near their homes between 8am-8pm when the 2hr free parking period is in place.</p>	Officers recommend that the doctor only permit bays are changed to shared use, to create additional spaces for resident permit holders in the evenings as shown in drawing AB1_Russell Street.
2. Abbey	Somerstown Court	Request to introduce new restrictions to prevent vehicles from parking on the road, especially near the junction, as cars are often parked in a manner that impairs visibility and causes obstruction for other motorists and pedestrians.	Officers have visited the site and observed that motorists often park on the single yellow line, when there are additional spaces available in the nearby car park. We recommend that the single yellow line be changed into a double yellow line to help keep this section clear, whilst still allowing space for the larger delivery vehicles to load/unload as shown in drawing AB2_Somerstown Court.
3. Abbey	St Marys Butts	Request for additional loading bays in the road to help local businesses with their deliveries.	There are existing loading/unloading spaces in this area which provide spaces for the local shops to receive their deliveries. The remaining spaces are reserved for buses, pay & display and blue badge holders. Officers do not recommend that any of these spaces are removed as there is high demand for parking in this area. We have also not received any additional complaints from local businesses since this request was originally made. We therefore recommend that this is removed from the programme.
4. Abbey	Blagrove Street	Request to review the loading bays near the station as businesses are struggling to receive their deliveries. There are not enough spaces available for these deliveries to take place.	The area around the station is very busy, and there is not enough room on the highway to significantly increase the number of loading spaces here. The bays are already restricted to goods vehicles only and suspected misuse of the bay has now been reported to our enforcement teams. We therefore recommend that this is removed from the programme.





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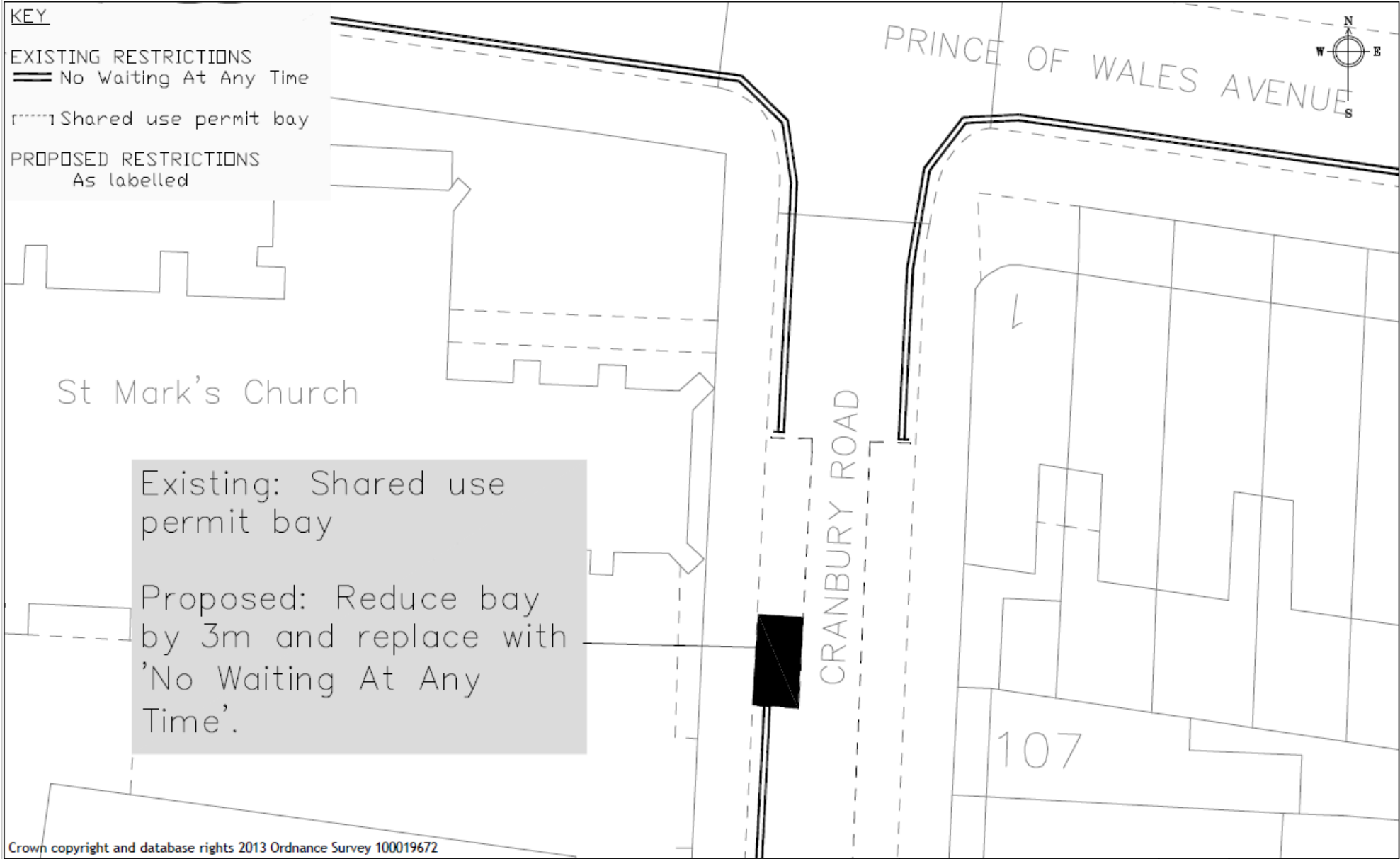


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5. Battle	Cranbury Road	Request to remove a few parking spaces and install some double yellow lines to improve access into the Church. Access is difficult due to cars parking opposite the entrance and this has caused issues for emergency vehicles.	There is a high demand for parking in this area but the exit to the car park is tight and will cause issues for larger vehicles trying to enter/exit. We recommend that one of the existing permit bays is reduced by a few metres in order to help with access into the car park as shown in drawing BA1_Cranbury Road.



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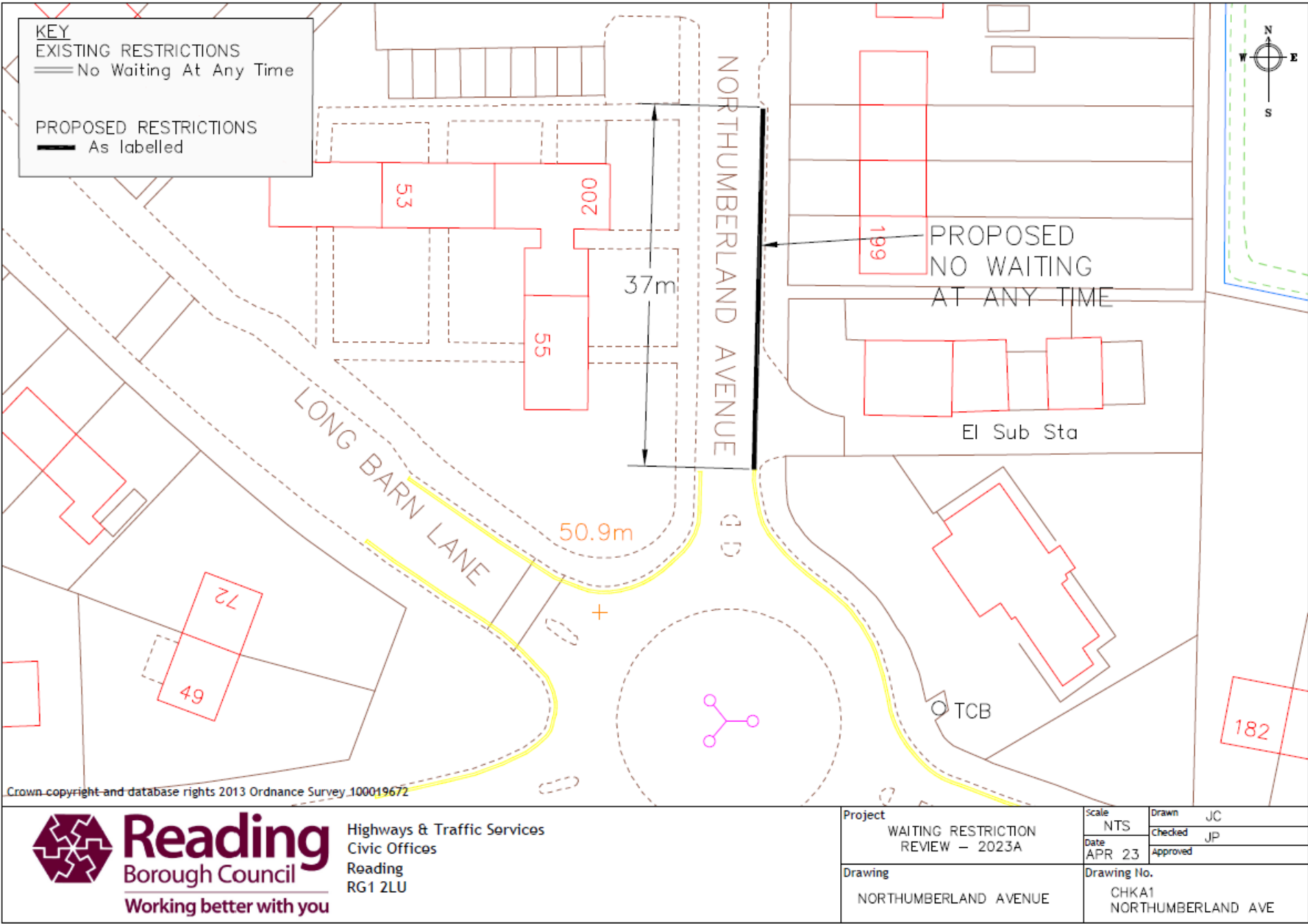
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6. Caversham	Hemdean Road	<p>Request for double yellow lines near the entrance to Balmore Park Surgery due to access issues caused by vehicles parking on the pavement.</p> <p>Officer Comment: The road into the Surgery is privately owned, however, we could consider installing restrictions on the highway and this may improve access for pedestrians and motorists at this location.</p>	<p>We cannot install restrictions on the private land, however, Officers have seen evidence of vehicles parking on the corner at the entrance to this car park and obstructing the footway. We therefore recommend that a short length of double yellow lines is installed as shown in drawing CA1_Hemdean Road in order to help keep the pavement and the exit clearer for pedestrians and motorists.</p>



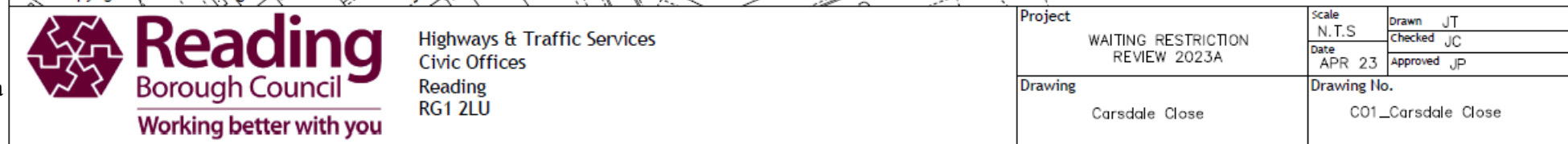
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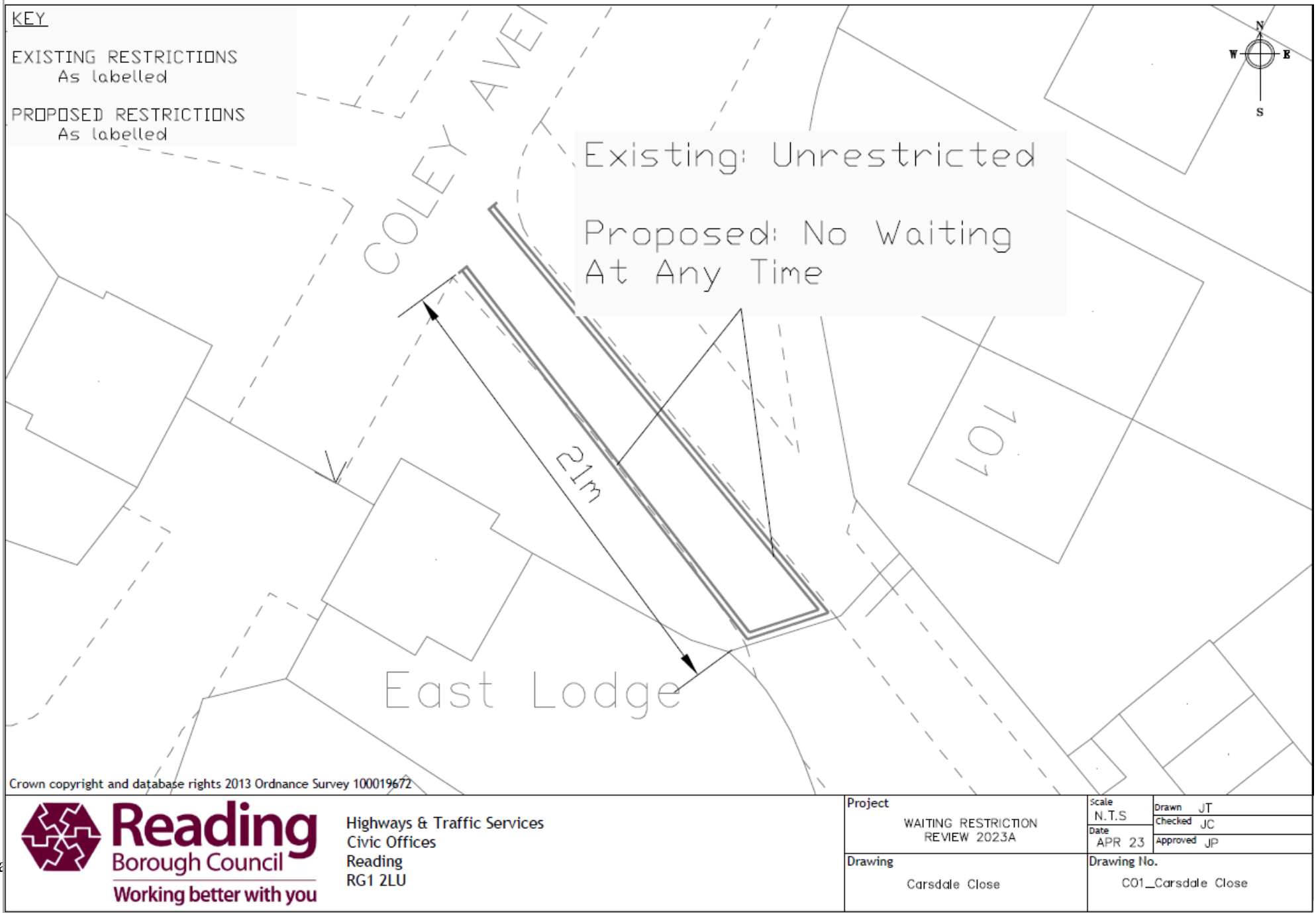
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7. Church	Devonshire Park	Request for some double yellow lines to prevent vehicles from damaging the grass verge.	Officers have visited the site and observed that there is damage to the grass verge, which is privately owned. The damage appears to have been caused by larger vehicles turning left, however, there is enough room around the junction for larger vehicles to turn without mounting the kerb. We therefore do not believe that additional restrictions will provide a solution to this issue and recommend that this is removed from the programme.
8. Church	Tavistock Road	Request for new restrictions to improve access due to issues caused by parked cars.	The original request was a complaint about other residents parking near a property. Officers have visited the site, however, vehicles here are parking legally on the highway and we cannot provide spaces designated for individual residents. We therefore recommend that this is removed from the programme.
9. Church and Katesgrove (repeated at line 18)	Northumberland Avenue	Request for additional restrictions near Reading Girl's School due to issues caused by parked cars during the pick up/drop off times. Driveways are regularly blocked, and the road becomes very narrow which causes traffic to build up. There are also reports of vehicles parking on junctions and near the mini roundabouts which makes it more dangerous for pedestrians in the area.	We would recommend that residents contact our highways team and apply for access protection markings, should they encounter issues with other vehicles blocking them in. This will highlight the presence of a driveway to other motorists. Restrictions such as double yellow lines will still allow vehicles to load/unload but will reduce spaces for residents and their visitors. We therefore recommend that this be removed from the programme.
10. Church and Katesgrove (repeated at line 19)	Northumberland Avenue	Request to extend existing double yellow lines north of the roundabout with Cressingham Road due to issues caused by parked cars, which can make it difficult to approach the roundabout for vehicles heading south.	We recommend that the yellow lines on the east side be extended as shown in drawing CHKA1_Northumberland Avenue. This will help keep this section of road clear at busy times, which will improve traffic flow for buses and other vehicles.



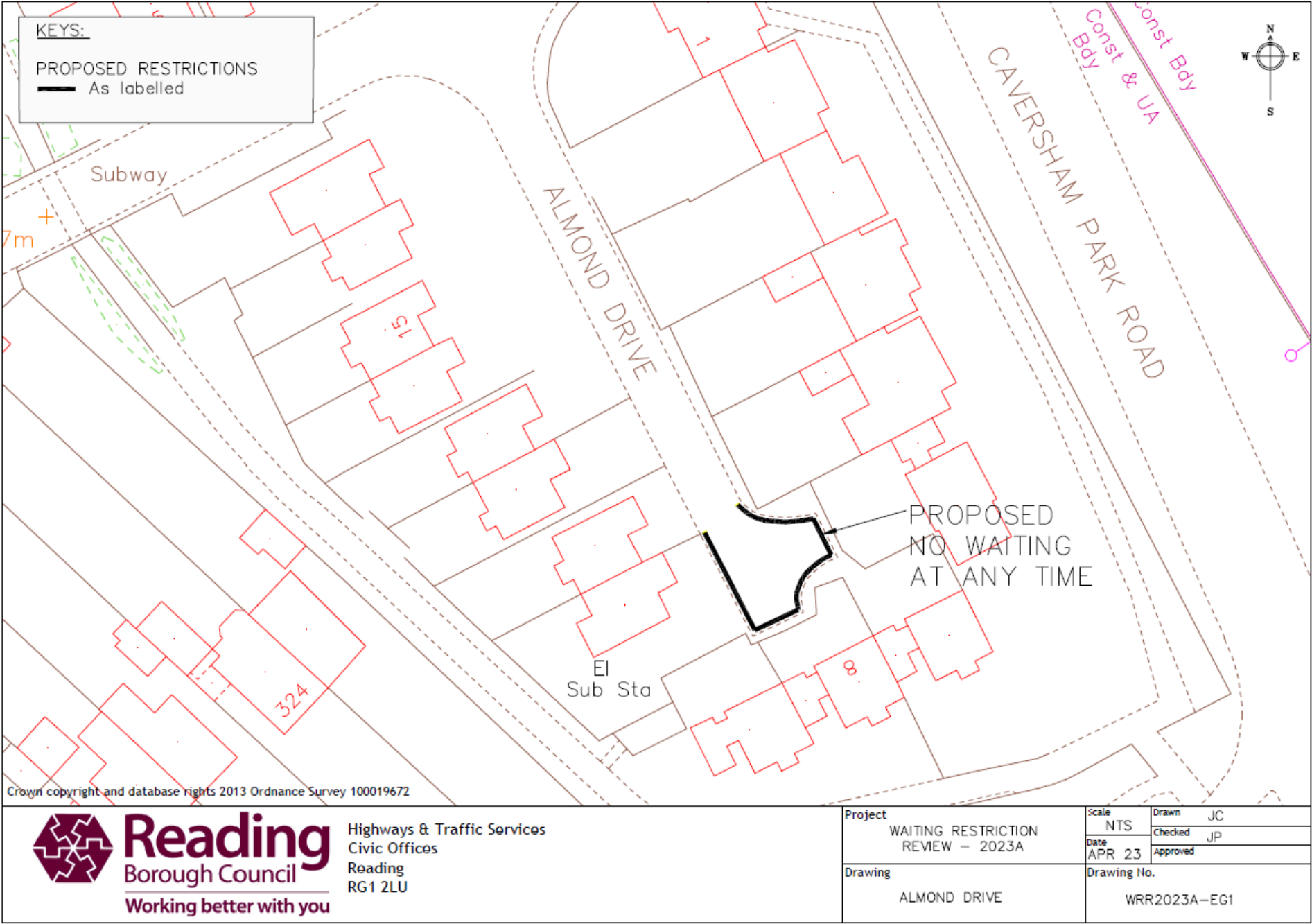


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11. Coley	Carsdale Close	<p>Request for new yellow lines on Carsdale Close, due to cars parking on both sides of the road, making it difficult to access, especially for refuse and emergency vehicles.</p> <p>Officer comment: This request was originally considered as part of the 2022B programme but was deferred to 2023A.</p>	<p>Carsdale Close is too narrow to accommodate parking on both sides of the road without cars obstructing the footway. Officers recommend that double yellow lines be installed as shown on drawing CO1_Carsdale Close in order to ensure that that sections of the road and pavements are clear at all times. This will improve access for pedestrians and other road users. Officers are concerned that the installation of a small section of yellow lines could make the situation worse, by concentrating it within a certain section, so recommend that the entire length is treated.</p> <p>Whilst it appears that many residents are currently parking on the south side, we recommend that a section of this side be restricted in order to improve visibility on the inside bend of the road. This also has the benefit of protecting more access points for off street parking places.</p>
12. Coley	Coley Avenue	<p>Request via Councillor to restrict parking (potentially double yellow lines) on the linking route to the Wensley Road shops, as this is obstructing the cycle route.</p> <p>Officer Comment: Officers have also recommended considering restrictions immediately to the southern side of the cycle only access barriers, to provide 'protection' against parking obstruction on both sides of the feature.</p>	<p>Officers recommend that yellow lines be installed as shown in drawing CO2_Coley Avenue. This will prevent vehicles parking on the north side of the gate. We do not believe that additional lines are required on the south side at this time, as there has been no evidence of obstruction in this location when officers visited the site.</p>

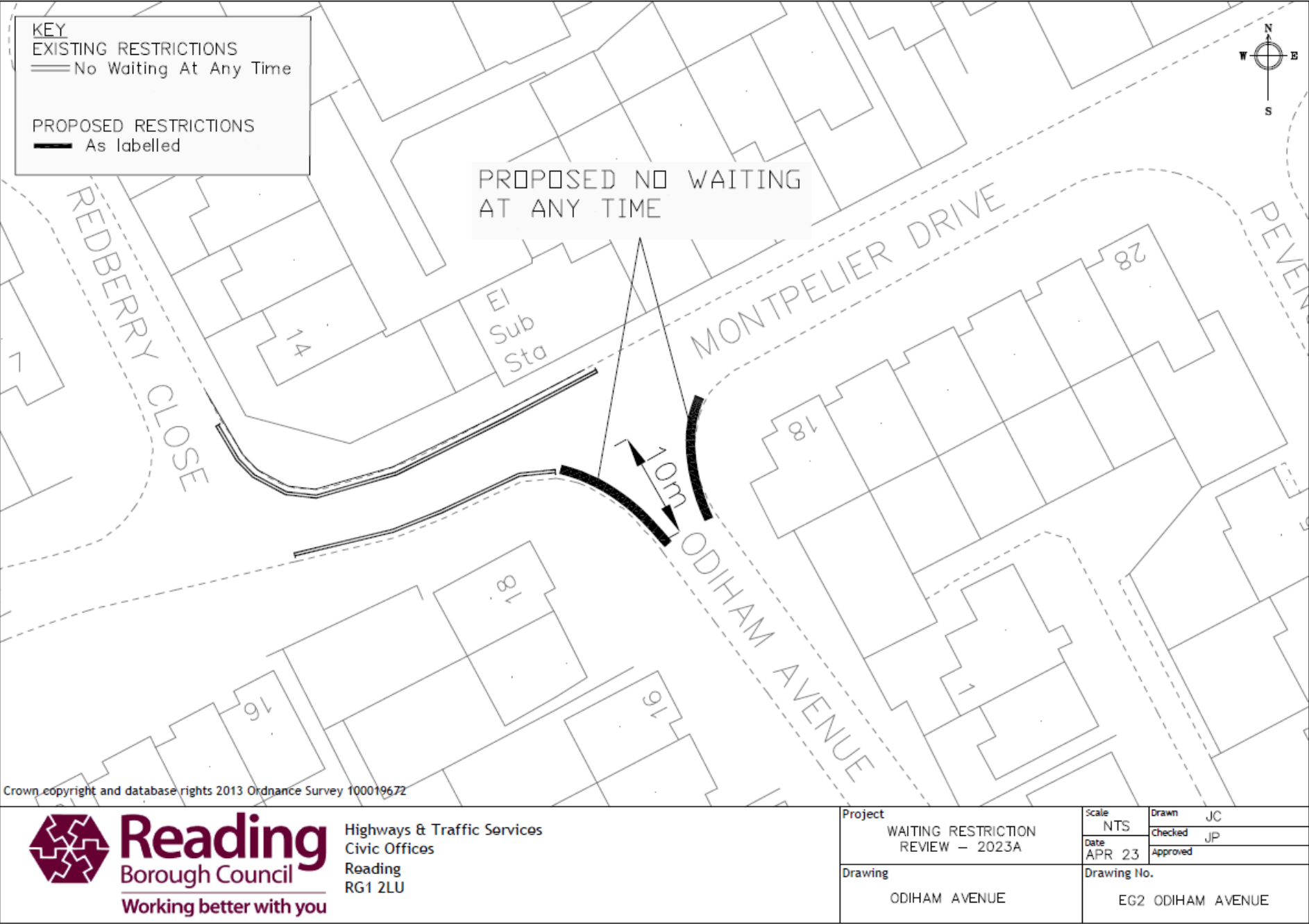


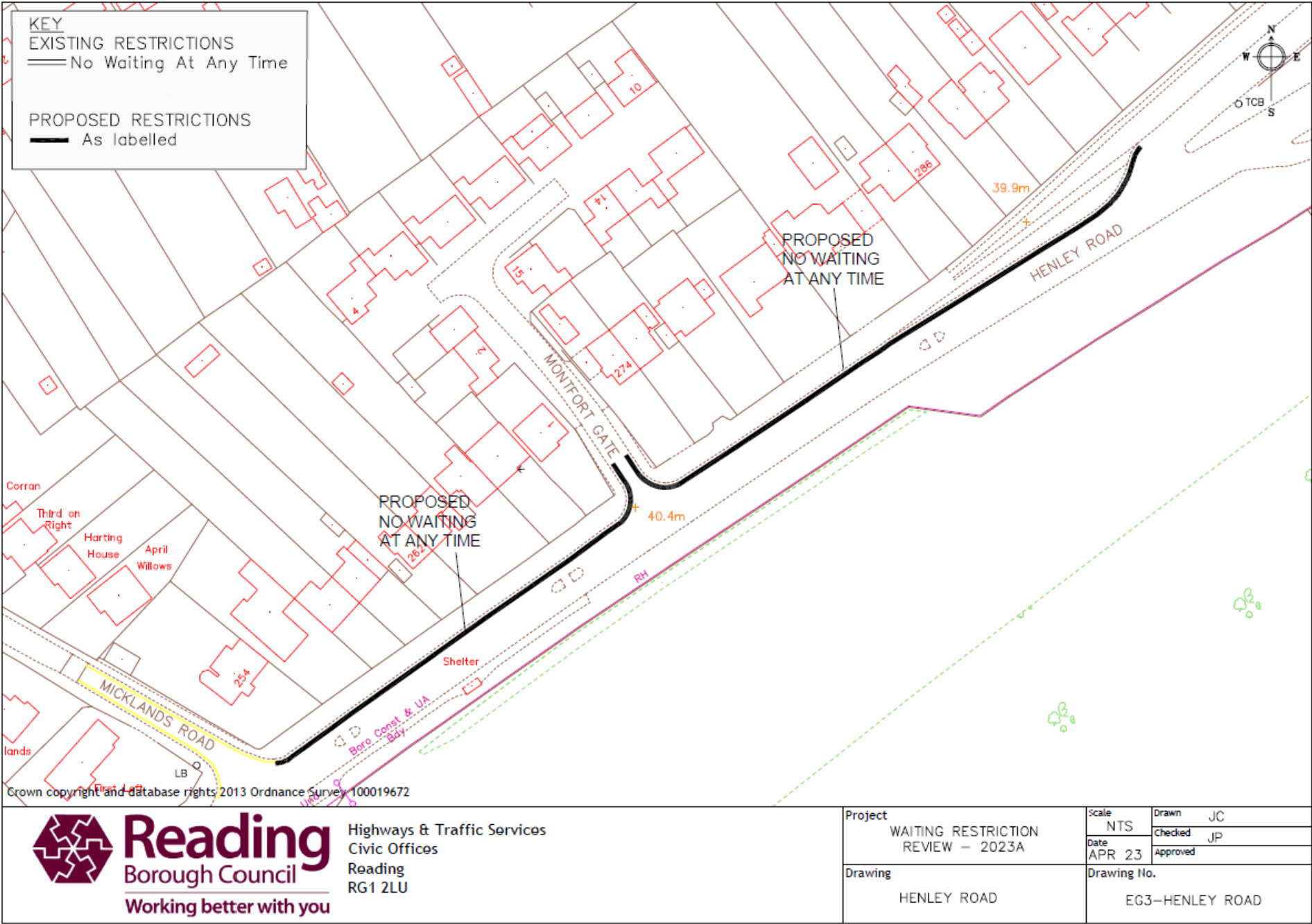


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13. Emmer Green	Almond Drive	This request was originally reviewed in the 2022B programme but was deferred to 2023A. Request for double yellow lines to prevent vehicles from parking in the dedicated turning head at the end of the Drive.	Officers have visited the site and found that there are vehicles parking in the turning head, which can make it challenging for vehicles turning around. However, the vehicles parking here will most likely be local residents and whilst the yellow lines proposed on drawing EG1_Almond Drive will address this issue, it will also reduce the number of spaces available for residents and their visitors.
14. Emmer Green	Odiham Aveue	Request for double yellow lines on the road due to cars parking near the junction, making it difficult to see traffic along Montpelier Drive.	Officers recommend that double yellow lines be installed, as shown in drawing EG2_Odiham Avenue, in order to improve visibility around the junction.
15. Emmer Green	Henley Road	Request for double yellow lines due to cars blocking the pavement/shared use cycle lane.	Officers recommend that double yellow lines are installed as shown in drawing EG3_Henley Road as this will allow enforcement against vehicles parking on the pavement (which is part of the highway) and help to keep the cycle lane clear.
16. Emmer Green	Oak Grove	Request for restrictions due to parked cars causing issues for residents, especially during school pick up/drop off times.	Due to the existing road surface, it will be challenging to install lined restrictions on Oak Grove and they would require additional maintenance. Double yellow lines will allow loading/unloading to take place and would remove parking spaces for residents and their visitors. Part-time restrictions would additionally require signs and posts, which will also be a challenge to install in this area due to the narrow verge. We therefore recommend that this is removed from the waiting restriction review programme.





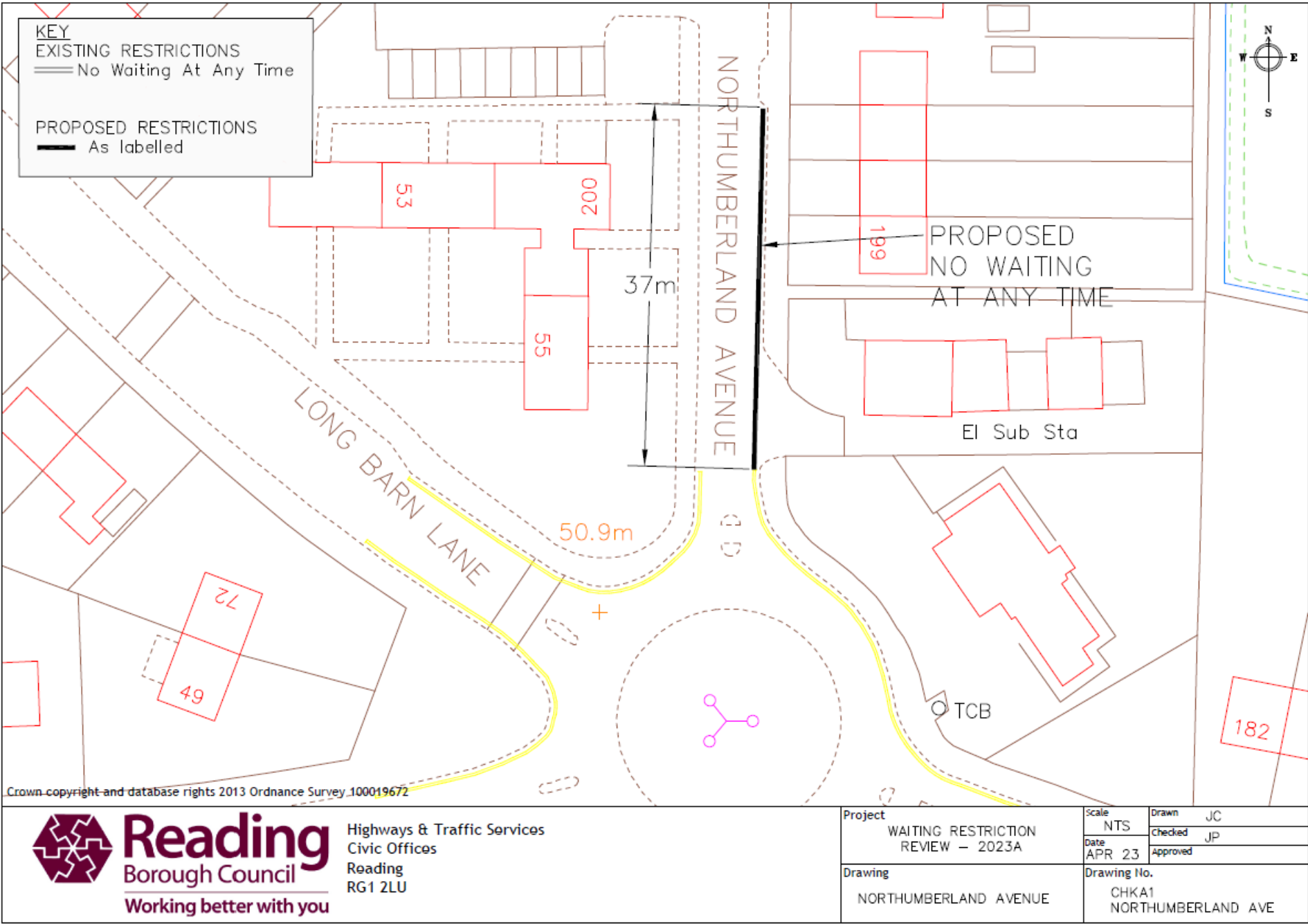


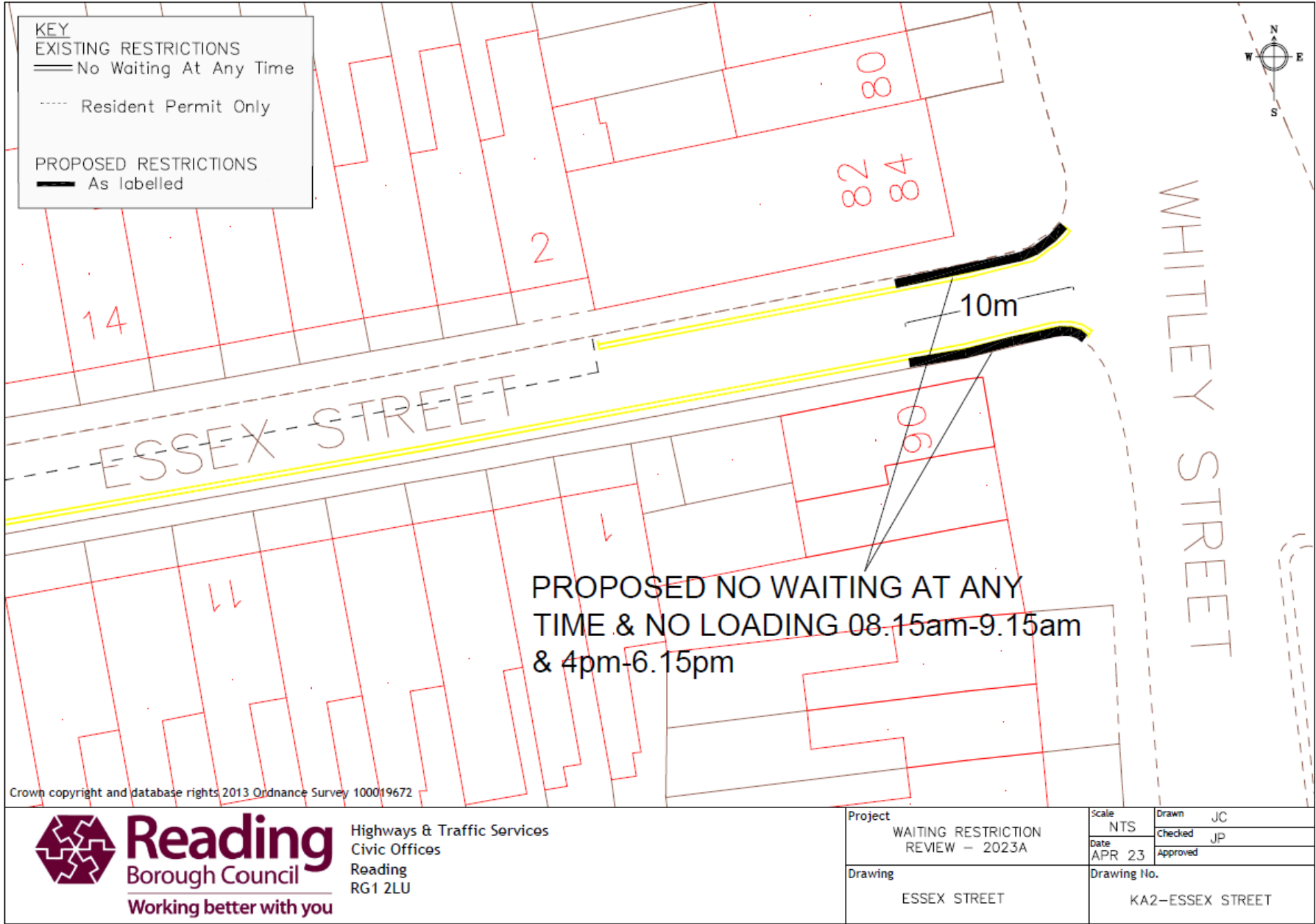




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17. Katesgrove	Newark Street	<p>Request to remove the shared use facility on this road and change it to permit only at all times, in order to create more parking spaces for residents.</p> <p>Officer Comment: Officers have asked for confirmation of whether this request represents the views of residents along the street, as the change would be impactful to visitor parking and may be undesirable as a result. It has been suggested that a number of residents raised the issue and suggested alteration.</p>	Officers have been informed that a few residents are in support of this proposal and an informal survey was offered to verify this, however, we are not yet aware of the results. Officers remain concerned that there may not currently be sufficient support from residents for a change to the shared use bays. Making them permit only will remove all the free visitor parking in the road and require residents to use their limited visitor permits. We therefore recommend that this is removed from the programme, until there is evidence of more support for this change from local residents.
18. Katesgrove and Church (a repeat of line 9)	Northumberland Avenue	Request for additional restrictions near Reading Girl's School due to issues caused by parked cars during the pick up/drop off times. Driveways are regularly blocked, and the road becomes very narrow which causes traffic to build up. There are also reports of vehicles parking on junctions and near the mini roundabouts which makes it more dangerous for pedestrians in the area.	We would recommend that residents contact our highways team and apply for access protection markings, should they encounter issues with other vehicles blocking them in. This will highlight the presence of a driveway to other motorists. Restrictions such as double yellow lines will still allow vehicles to load/unload but will reduce spaces for residents and their visitors. We therefore recommend that this be removed from the programme.
19. Katesgrove and Church (a repeat of line 10)	Northumberland Avenue	Request to extend existing double yellow lines north of the roundabout with Cressingham Road due to issues caused by parked cars, which can make it difficult to approach the roundabout for vehicles heading south.	We recommend that the yellow lines on the east side be extended as shown in drawing CHKA1_Northumberland Avenue. This will help keep this section of road clear at busy times, which will improve traffic flow for buses and other vehicles.
20. Katesgrove	Essex Street	Request for additional restrictions around the junction with Whitley Street due to issues caused by cars parking around the junction.	Officers have visited the site and noted that there are local deliveries taking place at the entrance of Essex Street. We therefore recommend that a loading ban is put in place to protect the entrance as shown in drawing KA2_Essex Street, whilst still allowing some space for deliveries further back into the road. Banning all stopping here will likely cause displacement of vehicles into the cycle lanes.

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21. Katesgrove	Whitley Street	Request for additional restrictions to help prevent vehicles parking in the cycle lane.	<p>Officers have engaged with the enforcement team to discuss what solutions are available to prevent vehicles parking in the cycle lane. Vehicles are already being issued with PCNs for double parking, however, due to the requirement for an observation time many vehicles will leave the area before a PCN is issued.</p> <p>In response to the Councillor comments below, changing the parking bays would impact on visitors to the shops and the installation of yellow lines would also not improve enforcement in the area as they allow loading/unloading to take place. A loading ban would require posts and signs that would interfere with the existing parking bay restrictions, and all of these would still require enforcement in person, not by CCTV.</p> <p>We therefore do not believe that additional restrictions applicable to this programme will prevent double parking at this location and recommend that this is removed from the programme at this time.</p> <p><b>Councillor Comments:</b></p> <p>Councillor Doug Cresswell stated that the current situation is dangerous for cyclists and other solutions need to be explored such as loading only bays or CCTV enforcement.</p> <p>Councillor Rob White would like this scheme to remain in the programme, as the current restrictions do not stop people from parking here. He has suggested double yellow lines as a visual deterrent or a loading ban to make enforcement easier.</p>

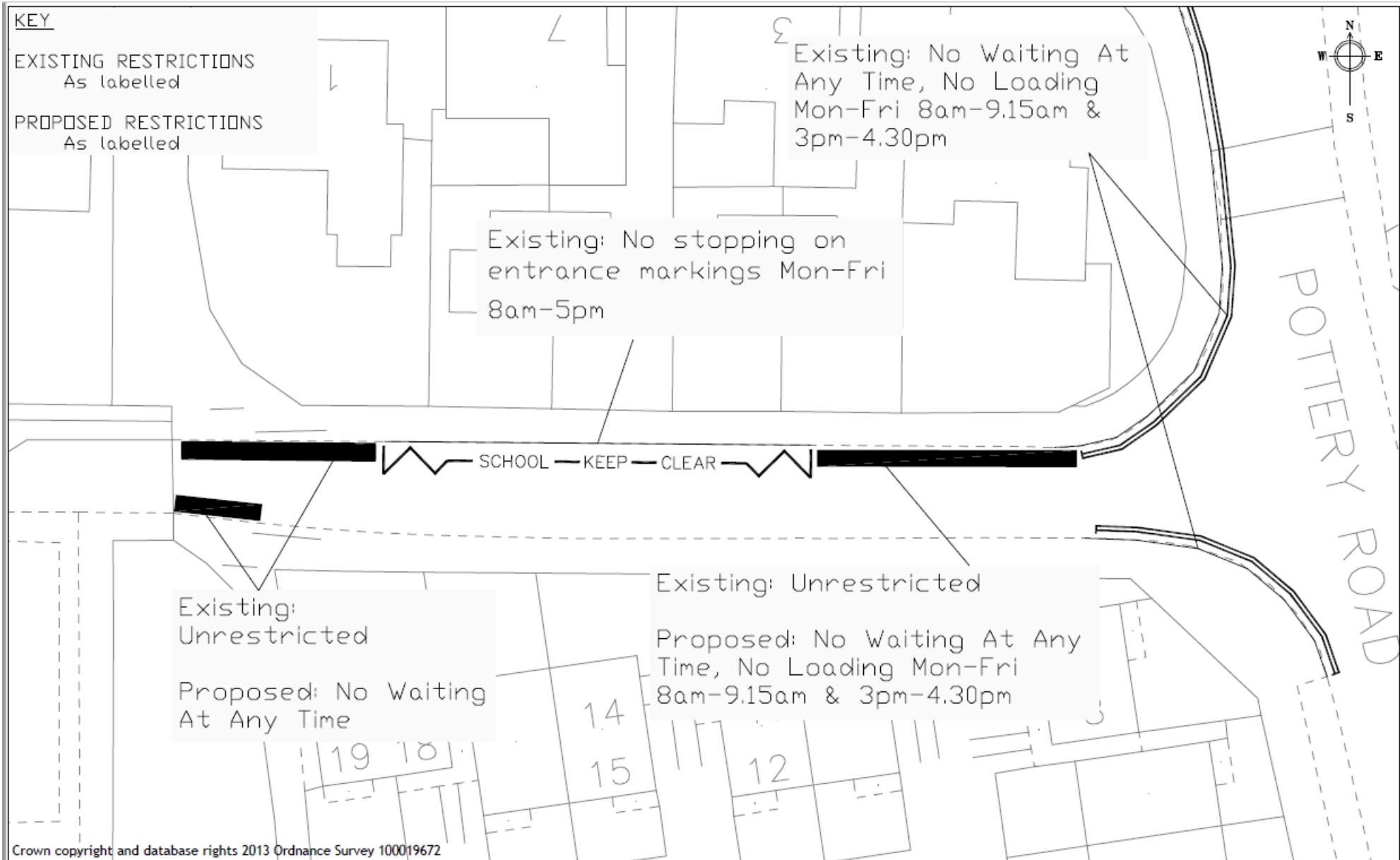


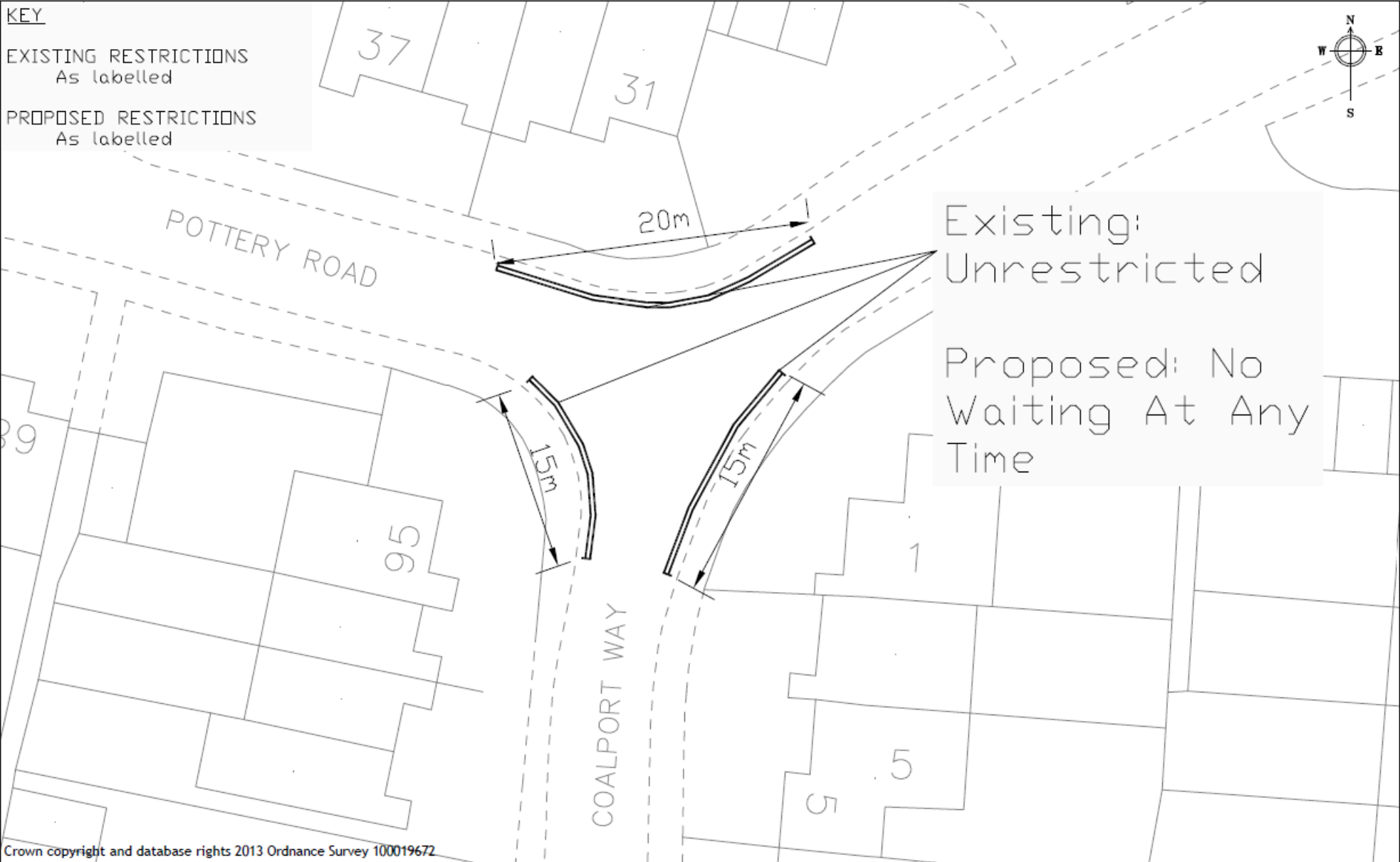


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22. Kentwood	Pottery Road	Request for double yellow lines near the back entrance to the school, due to access issues caused by cars parking in the area.	Officers recommend the installation of additional waiting restrictions as shown in drawing KE1_Pottery Road. This will keep a section of the road clear, to improve access to the school for deliveries.
23. Kentwood	Pottery Road/Coalport Way	Request for double yellow lines near the junction with Coalport Way due to visibility issues caused by cars parking in this area.	We recommend installing additional yellow lines as shown in drawing KE2_Pottery Road in order to prevent vehicles parking on the junction and to improve visibility in the area.
24. Kentwood	Armour Hill	Request for double yellow lines near Larissa Close due to issues caused by vehicles parking partially on the pavement.	Officers have visited the site and observed that vehicles are partially parking on the pavement along this road, however, installing restrictions to prevent this would only move the issue further along the road and potentially worsen the parking issue. We therefore recommend that this is removed from the programme.

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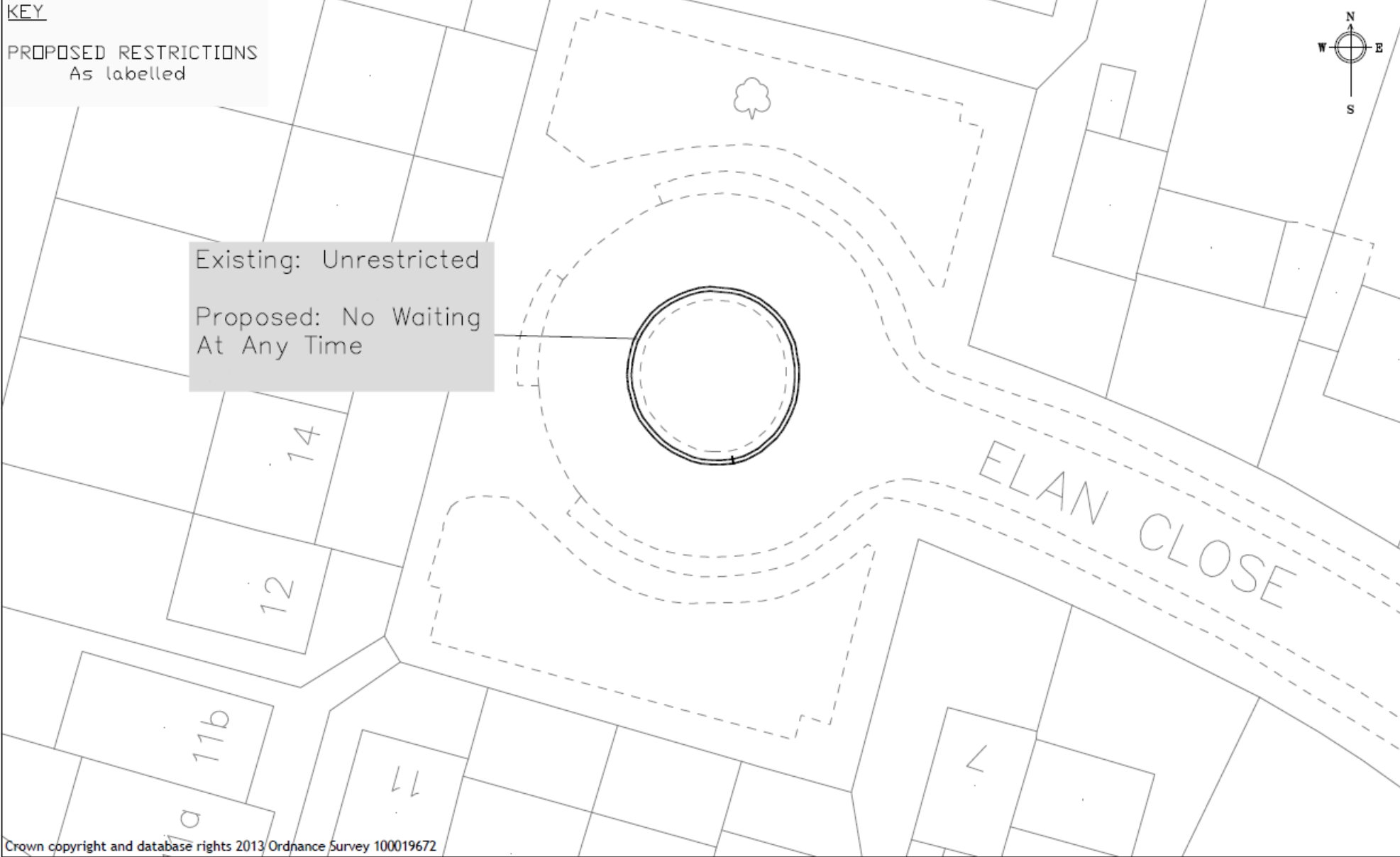
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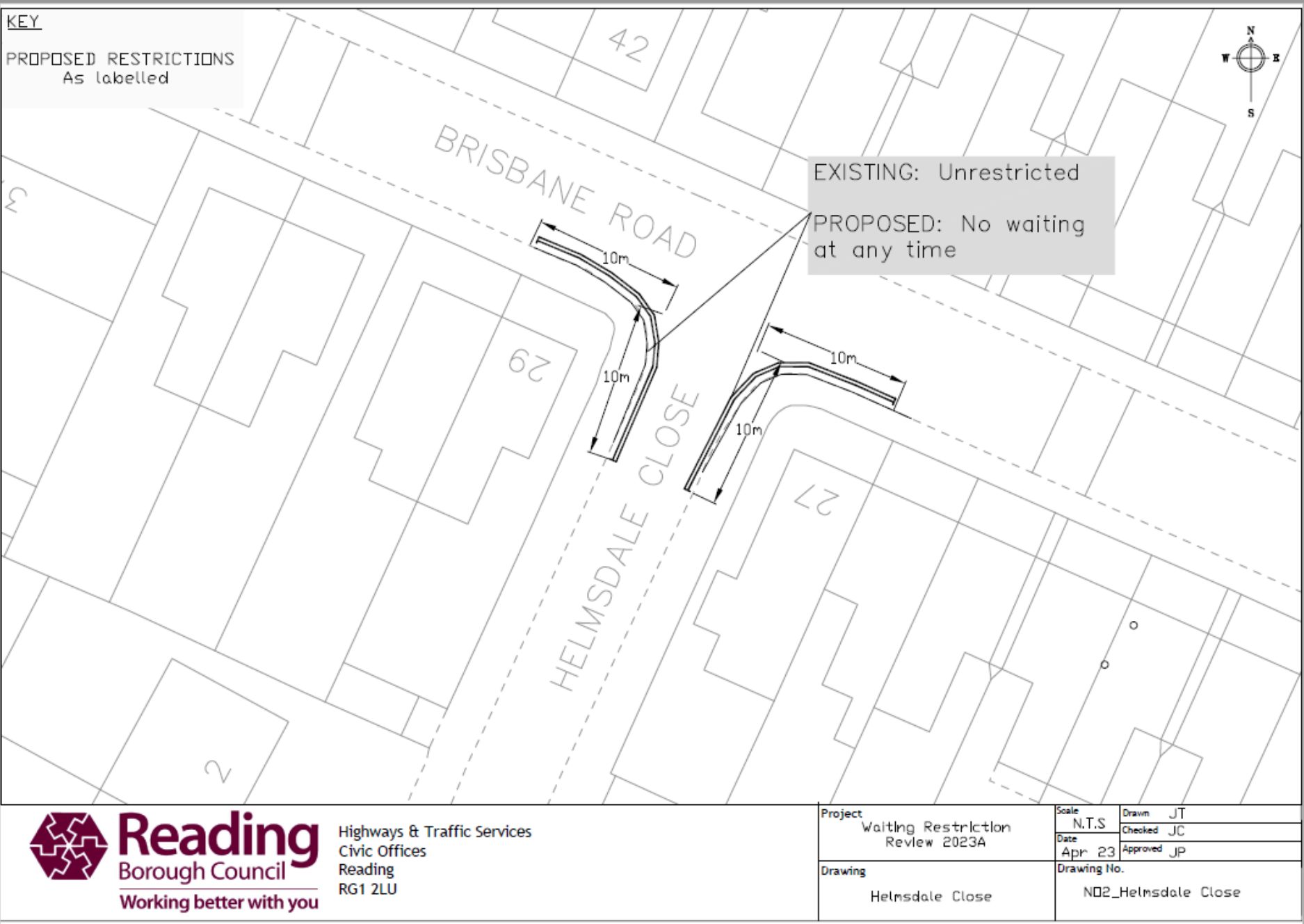
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25. Norcot	Elan Close	Request for restrictions to help protect the grass verge in the centre of the turning area at the end of the road. Vehicles are said to park here often and cause obstruction and access issues for others including refuse vehicles.  A separate request for this road has been made to tackle issues caused during school pick up/drop off times as parked vehicles are preventing pedestrians from using the pavement.	Officers have made a request for the verges in this area to be considered for future tree planting, in order to address the issue of vehicles parking on the verge, whilst not restricting residents and their visitors. We do recommend that some yellow lines be installed at the end of the road as shown in drawing NO1_Elan Close in order to ensure that vehicles can turn around.
26. Norcot	Helmsdale Close/Brisbane Road	This was originally investigated as part of the 2021B programme, where issues were raised around school drop-off/pick-up and a proposal was consulted to place double yellow lines around the junction of these two roads. In March 2022, the Sub-Committee agreed to remove the proposal from the programme, following the receipt of 21 objections during the statutory consultation. A ward Councillor has asked for this to be added back to this programme as the parking issues remain.	Officers recommend that double yellow lines are installed as shown in drawing NO2_Helmsdale Close in order to protect the junction and improve visibility.
27. Norcot and Southcote (repeated at line 32)	Honey End Lane	Request for restrictions on Honey End Lane near Cockney Hill due to issues caused by parked cars during school pick up/drop off times.	Officers have made a request for the verges in this area to be considered for future tree planting, to address the issue of vehicles parking on the verge, whilst not restricting residents and their visitors. We therefore recommend that this request is removed from the programme.  <b>Comments from Councillors:</b>  Councillor John Ennis has stated that Southcote ward Councillors would like this to be removed from the programme.
28. Norcot	Shilling Close	Request received to implement double yellow lines along the (Highway) carriageway, due to concerns that footway and carriageway parking are creating hazards.	A request was made to install yellow lines on highway land and officers have created a proposal for this in drawing NO3_Shilling Close. It must be noted, however, that this will prevent residents and their visitors from parking on the road at all times and restrict them to the privately owned parking places, which we cannot enforce.

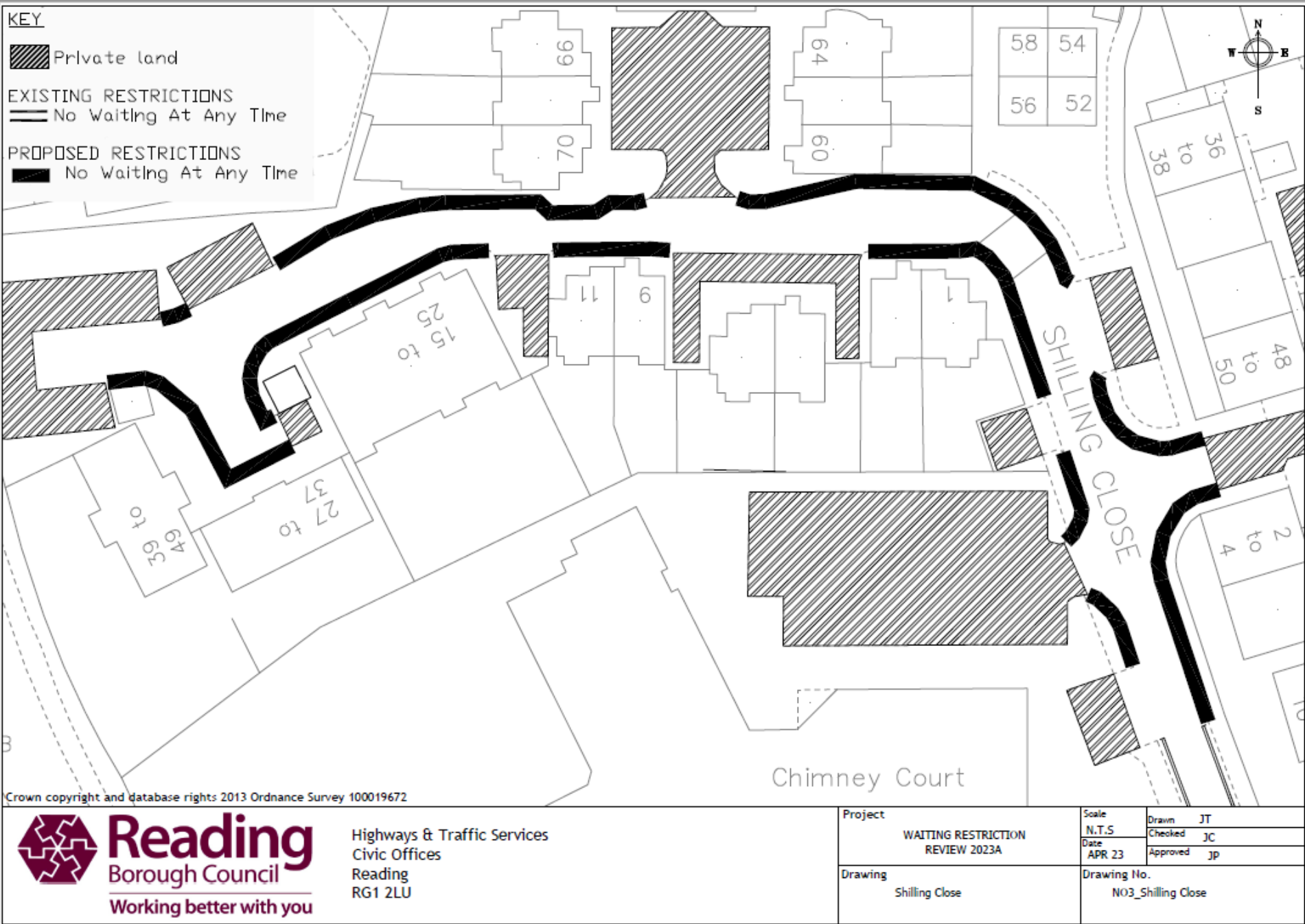




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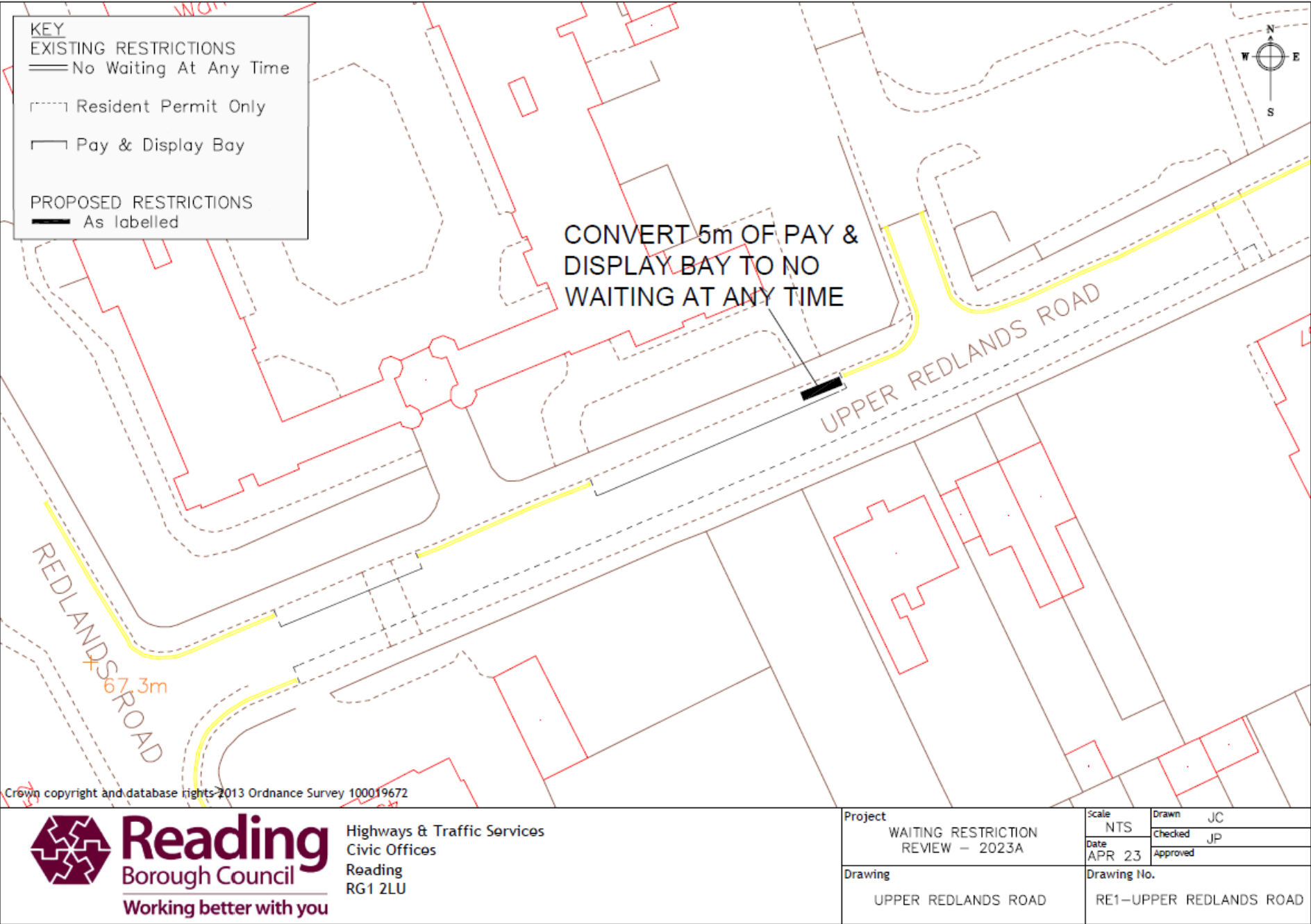




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29. Redlands	Upper Redlands Road	Request for double yellow lines near the entrance to Wantage Hall due to issues caused by parked vehicles.	Officers recommend that the bay is shortened slightly to prevent the access point from being obstructed as shown in drawing RE1_Redlands Road.
30. Redlands	Newcastle Road	Request for double yellow lines due to issues caused by parked vehicles blocking access.	Officers recommend that residents apply for access protection markings in order to highlight the presence of a driveway. We therefore recommend that this is removed from the programme at this time.

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31. Southcote	Honey End Lane	Request for an extension of the existing double yellow lines at the junction with Bath Road, to prevent vehicles parking on the pavement and causing obstruction.	Officers have visited the site and have not observed vehicles causing obstruction in this area. Residents can apply for access protection markings to keep their exits clear. The installation of additional double yellow lines here would likely cause additional issues due to the displacement of vehicles parking further up the road. The junction with Bath Road is also protected so we do not feel that additional restrictions would be beneficial here at this time. We therefore recommend that this is removed from the programme.
32. Norcot and Southcote (a repeat of line 27)	Honey End Lane	Request for restrictions on Honey End Lane near Cockney Hill due to issues caused by parked cars during school pick up/drop off times.	<p>Officers have made a request for the verges in this area to be considered for future tree planting, to address the issue of vehicles parking on the verge, whilst not restricting residents and their visitors. We therefore recommend that this request is removed from the programme.</p> <p><b>Comments from Councillors:</b></p> <p>Councillor John Ennis has stated that Southcote ward Councillors would like this to be removed from the programme.</p>

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33. Tilehurst	Beverley Road	Request for double yellow lines due to issues caused by parked vehicles blocking access.	Officers recommend that residents apply for access protection markings in order to highlight the presence of an off-street parking place. There is a high demand for parking for residents in this area and the installation of yellow lines would reduce the number of spaces available for them, and likely cause displacement parking issues elsewhere. We therefore recommend that this is removed from the programme.

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34. Whitley	Ashby Court	Request to extend existing double yellow lines due to access issues caused by parked vehicles.	Officers recommend installing double yellow lines as shown in drawing WH1_Ashby Court to improve visibility issues caused by cars parking close to the junction.
35. Whitley	Foxhays Road	Reported via ward Councillor of problematic footway parking on the western side footway that runs alongside the east side of 'Foxhays Ground' green area (situated to the north of Hawkchurch Road).	Double yellow lines will allow enforcement of vehicles parking on the pavement, and this is proposed in drawing WH2_Foxhays Road. It must be noted, however, that the vehicles parking here likely belong to residents and restricting parking in one area could result in displacement and issues elsewhere in the area.
36. Whitley	St Agnes Way	Request for double yellow lines to prevent vehicles from parking partially on the pavement, which forces some pedestrians into the road.	Officers recommend that yellow lines are extended as shown in drawing WH3_St Agnes Way to prevent vehicles from obstructing the junction and the pavement.

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