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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT

- 1.1.1. The purpose of this document is to set out the locations that Highways England (the “Applicant”) proposes the Examining Authority (ExA) visits as part of the Accompanied Site Inspection (ASI) in relation to the application for development consent for the A1 in Northumberland: Morpeth to Ellingham (the “Scheme”).
- 1.1.2. The ExA has requested that the Applicant provide a suggested ASI itinerary by Procedural Deadline 2 on 29 January 2021.
- 1.1.3. The ASI is scheduled to take place on w/c 29th March 2021.

1.2 STRUCTURE OF THIS DOCUMENT

- 1.2.1. This document comprises two chapters and two appendices, as follows:
 - a. Chapter 1: Introduction
 - b. Chapter 2: Itinerary
 - c. Appendix A: Sign-in Sheet
 - d. Appendix B: Route Maps
- 1.2.2. The Applicant is proposing to undertake a risk assessment for the ASI. This has not yet been undertaken due to the existing Government guidance and restrictions in place in response to the Covid-19 pandemic. As it is not clear on whether the restrictions will remain in place in March 2021 there is some uncertainty on how the ASI might be best organised. However, the ASI itinerary proposed at Chapter 2 has assumed no restrictions will remain in place and a safety risk for those wishing to take part will be undertaken when restrictions are confirmed.

2 ITINERARY

2.1 ITINERARY

- 2.1.1. The proposed itinerary for the ASI is set out in Table 2-1 below. This includes timings and a description of what is to be observed at each location.
- 2.1.2. The ASI itinerary has been produced on the assumption that no restrictions will remain in place as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. The Applicant proposes to keep this under review and will submit an updated version at Deadline 3 of the Examination if required.
- 2.1.3. On the assumption that there are no Covid-19 restrictions on attendees travelling together, the vehicle(s) will be provided by the Applicant for the ASI, although some of the locations will be observed on foot, possibly on uneven or wet ground. The itinerary refers to a ‘bus’, which will be used if it is possible to do so. If there are restrictions on travel and the ASI is still going ahead, then the itinerary may need to be revisited. There is limited parking at some of the proposed stop locations if all parties must travel in their own vehicles.
- 2.1.4. Part of the ASI will be undertaken on footpaths and by walking along local roads where there may not be a footway. Therefore, these elements of the ASI are subject to access being suitable for all attendees, to good visibility and to weather conditions being appropriate. Attendees should ensure that appropriate footwear and clothing are worn. The Applicant will provide high-visibility vests. There will be an option to stay in vehicles for the walking elements of the ASI.
- 2.1.5. The ASI will be within publicly accessible land as private land would only be accessible with the permission of the landowner.
- 2.1.6. The Applicant will bring any relevant plans or photomontages as well as an ASI brochure detailing the itinerary and providing health and safety advice.
- 2.1.7. A suggested Sign-In Sheet is included in Appendix A to confirm those attending have read and understood the safety briefing and to ensure accurate records of attendees.
- 2.1.8. A plan showing the proposed route and stop points is provided in **Appendix B** of this document.

Table 2-1 - Proposed ASI Itinerary

Stop	Timings	Description
	09:00 - 09:15	<p>Meeting Point</p> <p><i>Meeting point: Dobbies Garden Centre, Heighley Gate, A697, Morpeth NE61 3DA.</i></p> <p><i>Please note, this location also provides hot food/drinks and toilet facilities.</i></p>

Stop	Timings	Description
		Part A
1	09:15 - 09:30	Parking location on High Highlaws Road. <i>Views of the proposed Highlaws junction location.</i>
2	09:30 – 9:45	A1 Layby/Bus Stop (southbound), The Warreners. <i>Views of the start of the Scheme, Warreners residential area, low level bridge (A697) and soil storage compound area.</i>
3	09:45 – 10:00	Parking at the south end of the 'Jacksons Garage Layby' <i>Views of the Scheme where it moves offline from the existing A1 alignment out to the west and detention basin.</i>
4	10:00 – 10:15	Parking area opposite Tritlington School <i>Views of the proposed Fenrother Freeflow Link and views of the offline section further to the west.</i>
5	10:15 – 10:30	Fenrother Lane - Parking available in field gate areas <i>Views of the proposed Fenrother Junction location</i>
6	10:30 – 10:45	Area south of New Houses Farm <i>Views of new offline carriageway route and lay-by</i>
7	10:45 – 11:00	Parking on Causey Park Bridge <i>Views of the offline section further to the west and detention basin.</i>
8	11:00 – 11:15	Parking on Causey Park Road <i>Views of proposed Causey Park Overbridge location</i>
9	11:15 – 11:30	Parking on Burgham Park Road in field access <i>Views of proposed Burgham Park Underbridge and detention basin</i>
10	11:30 – 11:45	Parking on Bockenfield Loop <i>Views of proposed local roads to the east and west of the new mainline carriageway, along with detention basins</i>
11	11:45 – 12:00	Parking on Felton Road at existing recycling area <i>Views of West Moor Junction area and the main M2E site compound area</i>
	12:00 - 12:30	LUNCH (Felton)
12	12:30 – 13:25	Parking at St Michael and All Angels Church, Felton. Walk along Public Right of Way 115/009 to reach the north abutment of the existing River Coquet bridge. <i>View of the proposed vegetation clearance & excavations, pier and abutment construction locations over the River Coquet. This would also include the proposed land stabilisation works and proposed temporary access as set out in the Summary of Proposed Changes to the Application [PDA-003] submitted at Procedural Decision A.</i>

Stop	Timings	Description
13		End of Part A <i>Denotes the end of Part A when driving under the existing B6345 overbridge. No stopping at this location for safety reasons.</i>
	13:25 - 13:40	Drive north to the southern extent of Part B
14	13:40 - 13:50	A1 pull up in lay-by <i>View of southern extent of the Scheme and north-east to detention basin</i>
15	15:55	Proposed location of Heckley Fence Overbridge <i>Drive by view only of the proposed location of Heckley Fence Overbridge. No stopping at this location for safety reasons.</i>
16	13:55 – 14:05	Parking at Rock South Farm <i>View of new local access road between Rock Midstead and Rock South Farm</i>
17	14:05 – 14:20	Parking on B6347 <i>View of Charlton Mires Junction, new overbridge and associated properties subject to blight</i>
18	14:20 - 14:30	Parking on West Linkhall <i>View of local access road and mainline</i>
19	14:30 – 14:40	Parking on Charlton Hall Road <i>View of East Linkhall access road and northern extent of the Scheme and end of Part B.</i>
20	14:40 - 15:10	Walk from Comfort Break area <i>View of Lionheart Enterprise Park Compound Site</i>
	15:10	ASI end.

Appendix A

SUGGESTED SIGN-IN SHEET

Please sign below to confirm you have read and understood the disclaimer, and to ensure we have accurately recorded the attendees.

Safety instructions: The ASI will take place around the A1 and local country roads with high speed limits. Some of the ASI will take place on foot. Please take care and wear appropriate footwear. .

A safety briefing will be provided before we leave the Dobbies Garden Centre. Please listen to this and follow the advice provided. You will be provided with a high-visibility vest which must be worn at all times when out of the vehicle. When stopping on a live road, a mini-briefing will be provided before attendees exit the vehicle, which will include where to stand and how to remain safe. All attendees must follow instructions given to them by staff.

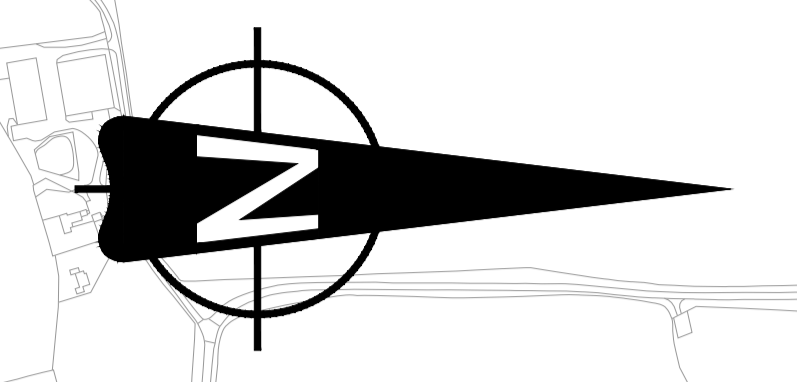
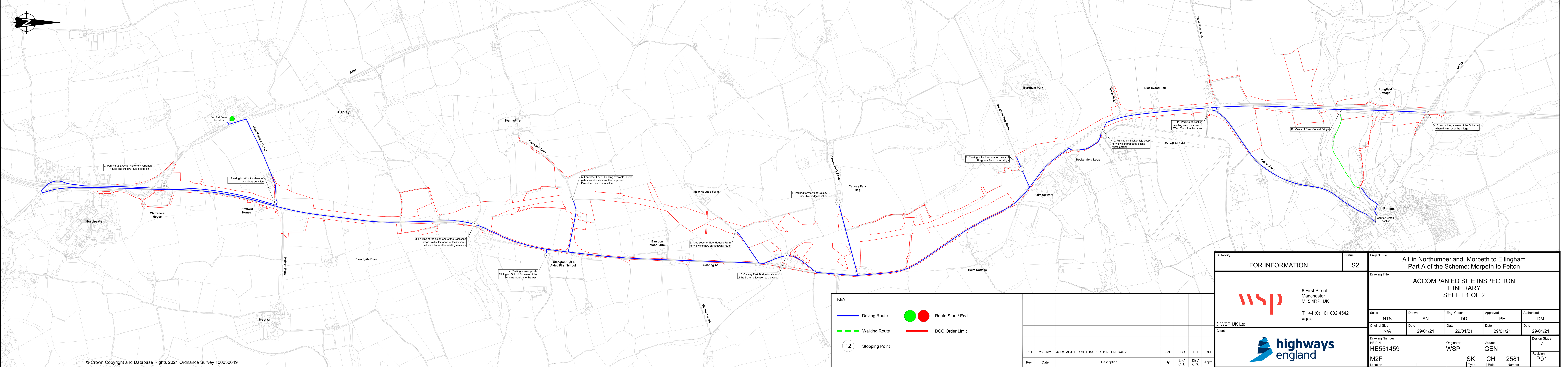
All attendees must follow the instructions provided within the risk assessment. All attendees are responsible for their own safety and must never act in a manner that might reduce the safety of themselves or others.

Please sign below to confirm you have received the ASI safety briefing, have received a risk assessment and will follow the safety instructions above.

Name	Signature

Appendix B

PROPOSED ASI ROUTE



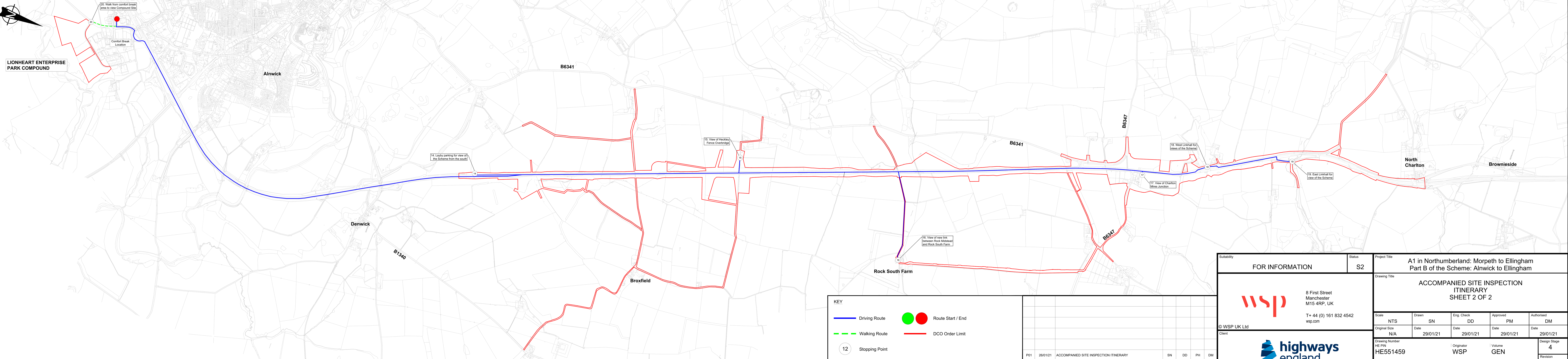
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- Driving Route
- Walking Route
- 12 Stopping Point
- ● Route Start / End
- DCO Order Limit

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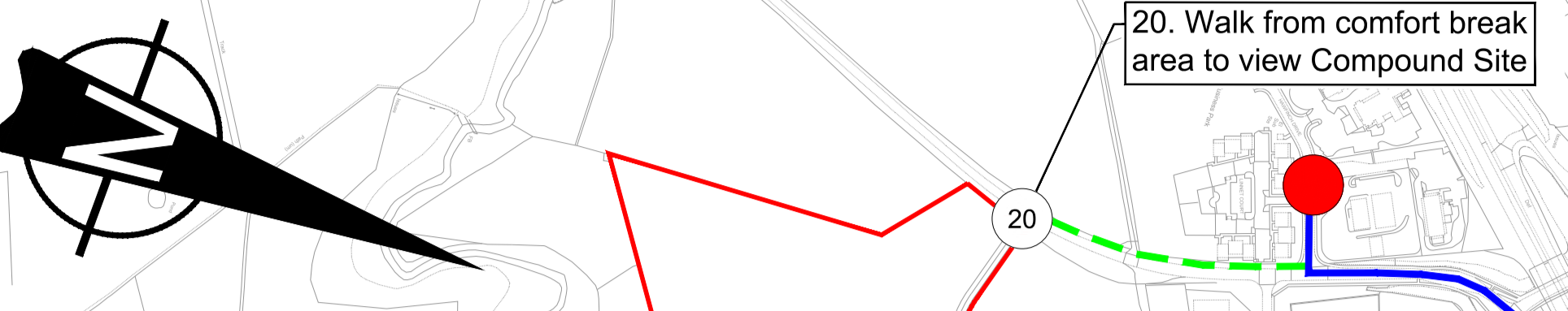
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20. Walk from comfort break
area to view Compound Site

Comfort Break
Location

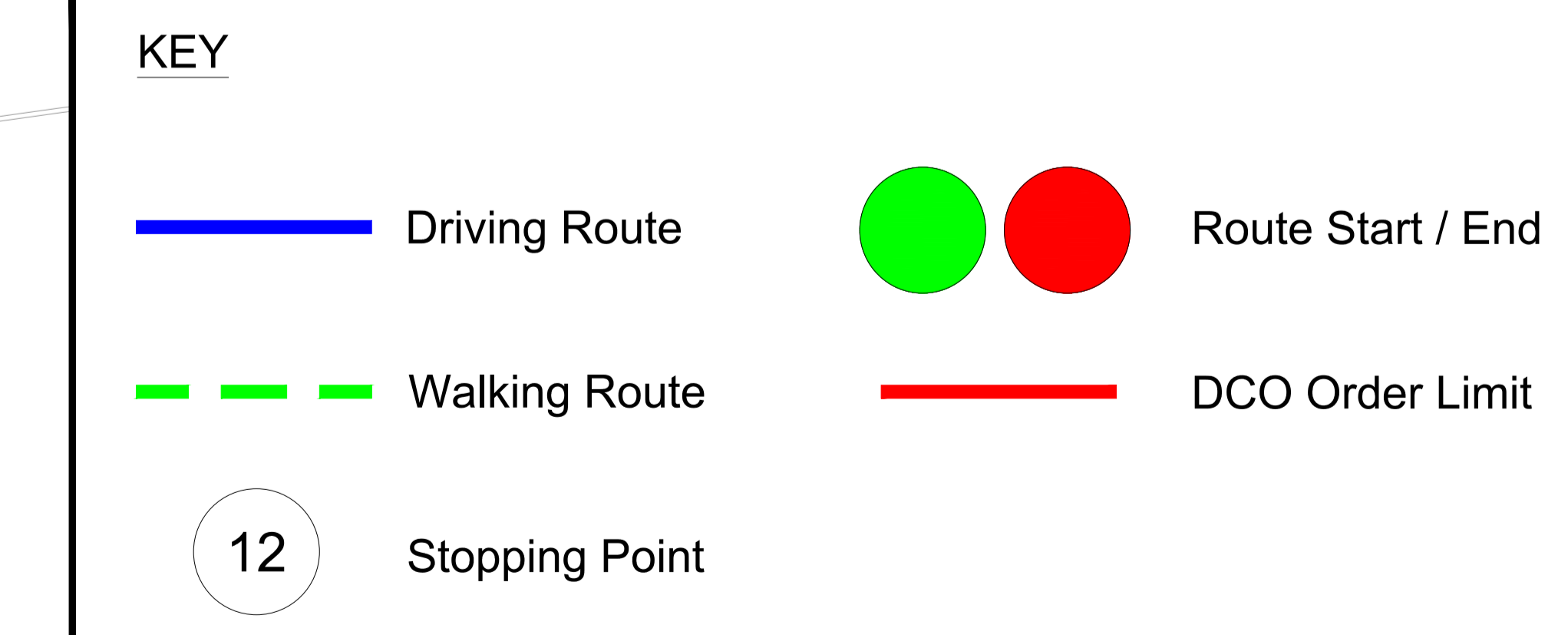
14. Layby parking for view of
the Scheme from the south

15. View of Heckyly
Fence Overbridge

16. View of new link
between Rock Midshead
and Rock South Farm

17. View of Charlton
Mires Junction

18. East Linkhall for
view of the Scheme



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