

Bicester Town Council



BICESTER
TOWN COUNCIL

Bicester Traffic Advisory Group Meeting

Ref: BTAG03/2425

Thursday 9th January 2025 at 14:00hrs
Council Chamber, Garth House, Launton Road,
OX26 6PS

Group Members:

Cllr Michael Waine (OCC) – **Chair**
Cllr Dan Hallett; Cllr Donna Ford; Cllr John Willett; Cllr Les Sibley (OCC); Cllr Michael Hewitt (CDC)

Other Circulation:

Cllr Lee Turner (OCC); Cllr Jacqui Cox (OCC);
Chris Hulme (TVP); Miranda Markham (DL- Bicester Vision);
Peter Cox (Chamber of Commerce); CDC Group



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Thursday 2nd January 2025

To all members of the Bicester Traffic Advisory Group,

You are hereby summoned to attend the meeting of the **Bicester Traffic Advisory Group** at **The Chamber Room, The Garth, Launton Road, OX26 6PS** on **Thursday 9th January 2025** to commence at **14:00hrs** for the transaction of following business.

Phil Evans
Town Clerk

Agenda

All Council Meetings are open to the public and press, unless otherwise stated.

1. Apologies for Absence

To consider apologies and reasons for absence. Committee members who are unable to attend the meeting should notify Bicester Town Council (enquiries@bicester.gov.uk) prior to the meeting, stating the reason for absence.

2. Minutes of the Bicester Traffic Advisory Group Meeting

To **APPROVE** the **MINUTES** and **RESOLUTIONS** of the following Bicester Traffic Advisory Group Meeting held on:

- **BTAG02/2425** – Thursday 19th September 2024

3. Update on Outstanding Items

To discuss any outstanding items not covered on the Agenda.

4. Report from Oxfordshire County Council Officer

Report to be presented on the day.

5. Report from Cherwell District Council

Report to be presented on the day.

6. Matters raised by Group Members

Minutes of the Bicester Traffic Advisory Group

A meeting of the Bicester Traffic Advisory Group was held on Thursday 19th September 2024 at 14:00 hrs at the Chamber Room, Bicester Town Council, The Garth, Launton Road, Bicester, Oxon OX26 6PS.

Present:

Cllr Michael Waite (Chair)
Cllr Donna Ford
Cllr Paul Wheatley (Substitute for Cllr John Willett)
Cllr Sam Holland
Cllr Chris Pruden (CDC)
Cllr Les Sibley (OCC)
Jacqui Cox (OCC)
Owen Bentley (OCC)
Gargi Holland (OCC)
Anthony Kirkwood (OCC)

In Attendance:

Officer, Paul Canning
Civic & Democratic Administrator, Maria Galic

11/ Apologies for Absence

2425 RESOLVED that APOLOGIES were received from Cllr John Willett, Michael Hewitt (CDC), Chris Hulme (TVP) and Miranda Markham (DL – Bicester Vision). Committee commented that TVP presence is vital to these meetings. Committee requested that there is a requirement for clear terms of reference.

12/ Minutes of the Bicester Traffic Advisory Group

2425 RESOLVED that Committee APPROVED the Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Group meeting:

- BTAG01/2425 – Thursday 13th June 2024

13/ Update of items outstanding not covered elsewhere on the Agenda

2425 RESOLVED the Committee UPDATED on:

- Congestion issues in Bicester, including road works creating traffic issues: Manorsfield Road, Causeway, A41, M40 Ardley Junction. Committee requested:
 - Jacqui Cox to contact a representative to present a plan of all works going on in and around Bicester
 - A clear picture of works being carried out, e.g. Causeway closure was a result of electric works
 - The improvement of communication between contractors and highways
- Pathway by Esso garage – Councillors urge for a temporary measure here due to difficulty crossing

14/ Presentation from Oxfordshire County Council
2425 Owen Bentley Project Manager Active Travel Delivery Team

Updates were received on:

- London Road:
 - funding to improve walking to Graven Hill
 - possible public consultation in Nov 2024
- Rodney House to Talisman roundabout:
 - possible 30mph speed limit
- 20mph
 - Extend to Talisman roundabout
 - Councillors raised questions regarding:
 - If the carriage way is wide enough
 - If the pavement is wide enough for pedestrians and cyclists
 - Numbers of pedestrians and cyclists using this route
- London Road
 - Councillors suggest for ban of HGVS

Councillors request to be updated and informed of plans, in particular those councillors local to the area.

15/ Update on 20mph Limits by Anthony Kirkwood – Vision Zero Team

2425 Speed limit maps were discussed by the Committee.

- OCC updated on areas that will remain at 30mph and new 20mph limits that will come into place.
- Councillors expressed their concerns over these new limits along bus routes
- Concerns raised over a 20mph limit not altering driving behaviour

16/ Temporary Traffic Regulation Order

- 2425**
- The Temporary Traffic Order on the Causeway was discussed
 - Councillors requested for an Officer to discuss this in a Town Council Meeting

17/ Weight Restriction Order on London Road = Launton Road (up to Londis Garage)

2425 Committee have requested that OCC provide an update on this at the next meeting. Councillors expressed concerns over:

- Single width of pavement
- A growing number of HGV's accessing the London Road, Launton Road and Town Centre

18/ Forward Plan

2425 RESOLVED that the Committee NOTED and COMMENTED on the Forward Plan

- Update on A495 realignment design elements in progress. Funding is ready to

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Signed Dated

commence a detailed design.

- Cherwell Local Strategic Partnership was discussed

19/ Date of Next Meeting

2425

Thursday 9th January 2025 at 2pm, The Chamber Room, Bicester Town Council

Close of meeting: 15:23hrs.



OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – Section 14(1)

Notice of Temporary Traffic Order
Bicester, Oxford Road, A41 North and South Bound
Prohibition of Through Traffic
Date of Order: 6/1/2025
Coming into force: 16/1/2025

This Order is being introduced because of re-surfacing works as part of the Symmetry Park development on the A41, which are anticipated to take 2 weeks to complete, working weekdays between 09:00pm – 05:00am.

The effect of the Order is to temporarily prohibit any vehicle proceeding in part of, A41 Oxford Road North and South Bound carriage ways from M40 Junction 9 to Bicester Park and Ride roundabout.

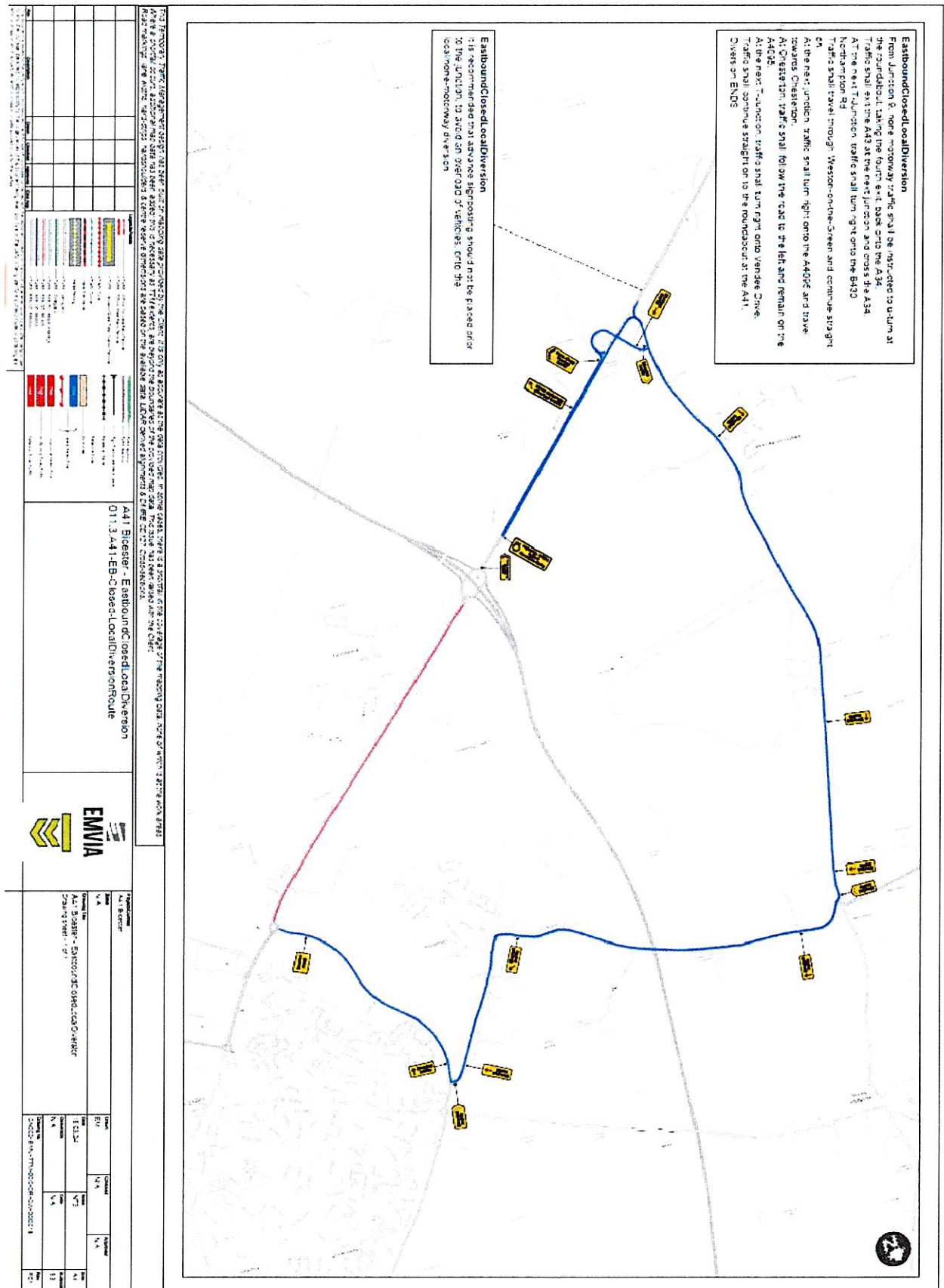
Appropriate traffic signs will be displayed to indicate when the measures are in force.

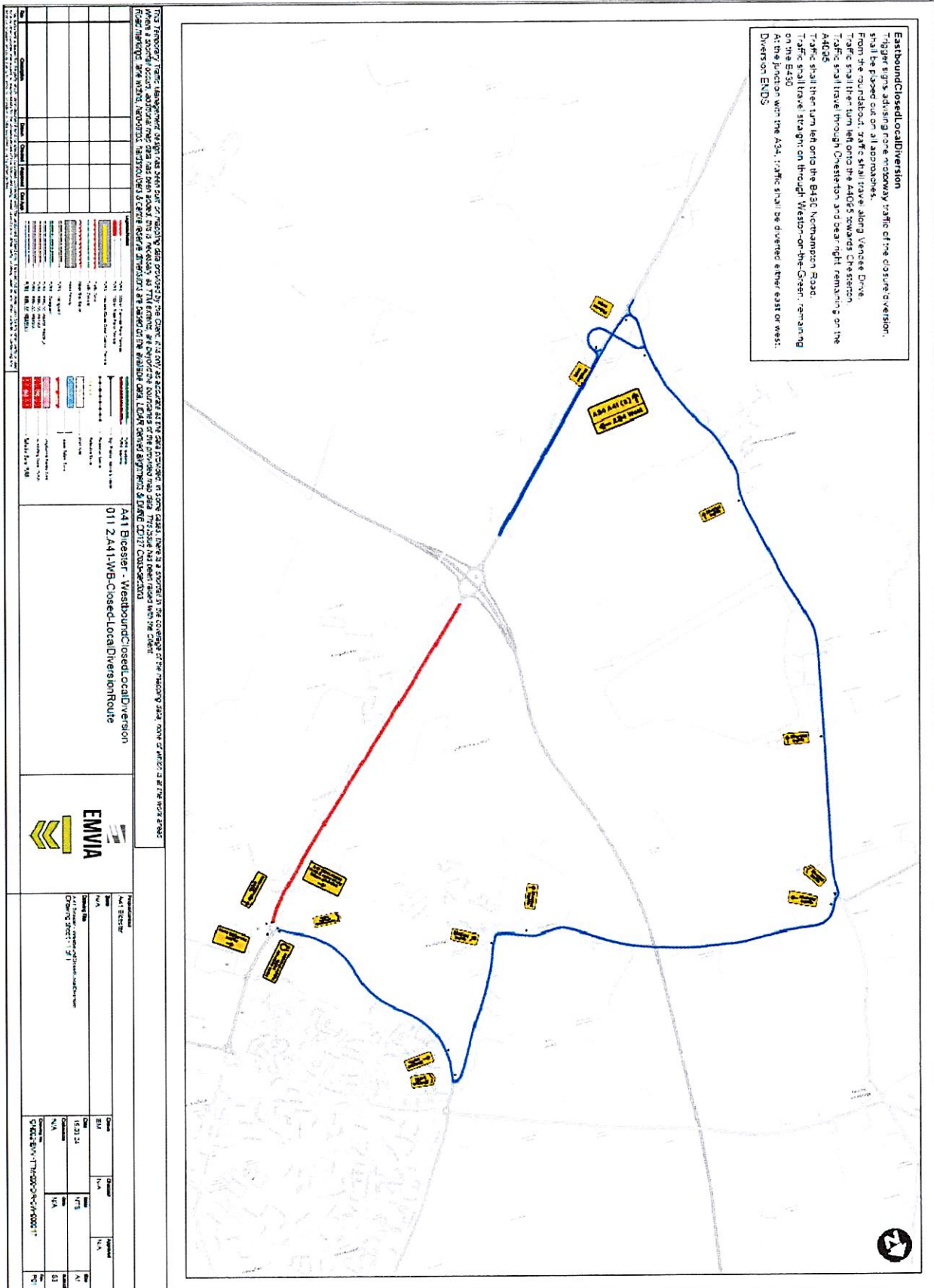
Exemptions are included for emergency services and for the works and for access to premises which are only accessible from the closed section of road.

The alternative route for traffic by the closure is Vendee Drive, A4095, Chesterton, B430 Northampton Road, Weston-on-the-Green, A34 and Vice Versa.

This Order will remain in force for a maximum period of 18 months or until the works have been completed whichever is the sooner.

Traffic Regulations Team (Ref T14701 / RMF) for the Director: Environment and Place, County Hall, Oxford OX1 1ND. 0345 310 1111.







OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

TRAFFIC REGULATION NOTICE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT, 1984

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 14(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act, 1984, that the Oxfordshire County Council

**TEMPORARILY PROHIBITS THE USE OF THE HIGHWAY
BY ALL MOTOR VEHICLES**

LOCATION: Victoria Road, Bicester

REASON: To facilitate essential gas works

DURATION: Starting on 24/2/2025
The anticipated completion date is 28/2/2025
(Traffic Regulation Notices cover a maximum of 5 consecutive days.)

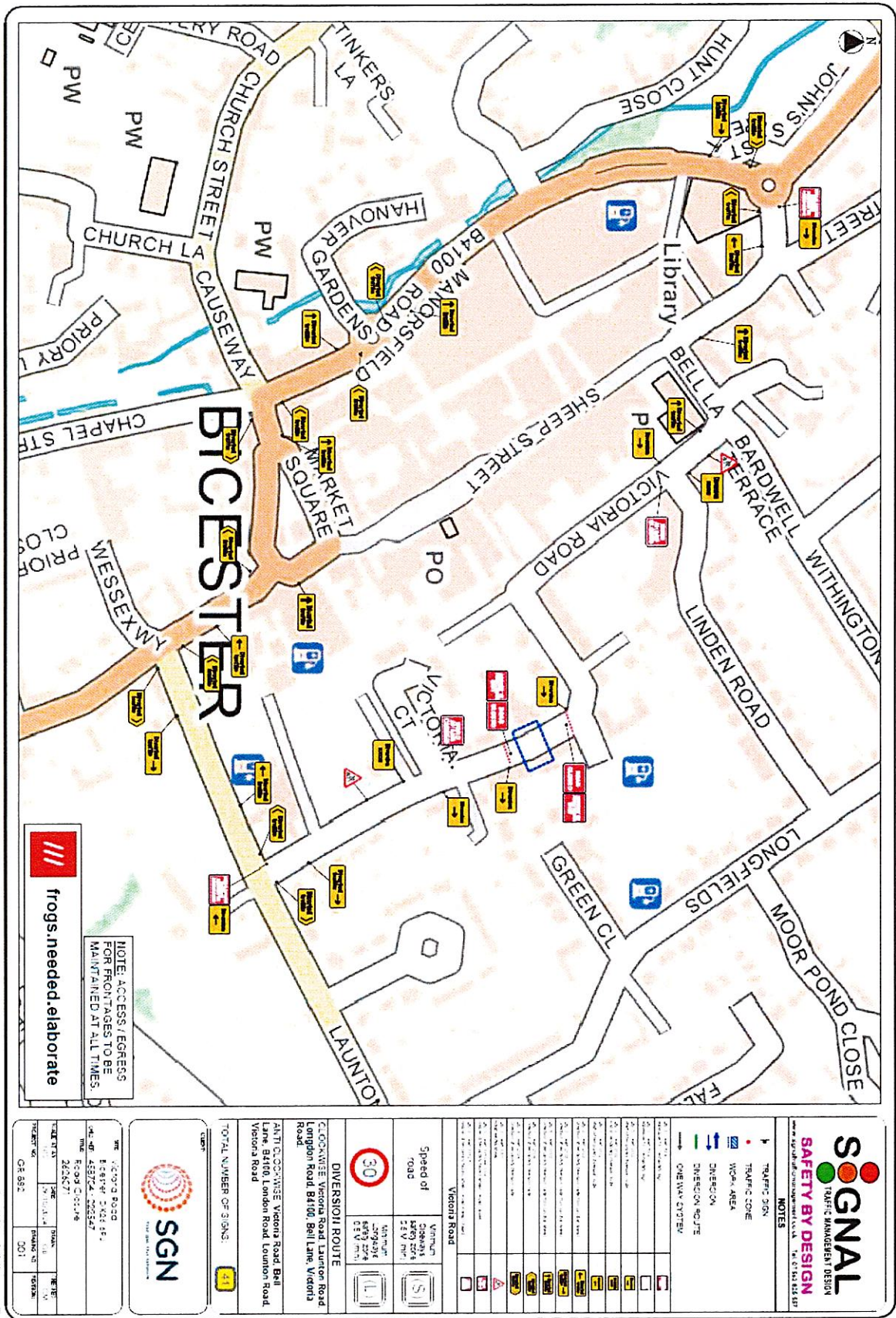
ACCESS: Limited access will be maintained for emergency service vehicles and for frontages within the closed section of road, subject to the progress of the works

SUGGESTED ALTERNATIVE ROUTE: Victoria Road, Launton Road, Market Square, Manorsfield Road, St Johns Street, Sheep Street, Bell Lane and Vice Versa.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P Fermer'.

Paul Fermer
Director of Environment & Highways

Date: 15/11/2024



Please see attached:

**Appendix 1 – Banbury Traffic Advisory Committee
Constitution and terms of reference.**

**Appendix 2 - Witney Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting
Tuesday, 24th September, 2024 at 2.30pm.**

BICESTER TRAFFIC ADVISORY GROUP MEETING FORWARD PLAN

Thursday 9th January 2025 – 14:00hrs

Item/Comment

1. Ongoing strategic review: cumulative effect on traffic due to Bicester's growth. Pioneer Way. CDC and OCC planner to be aware of traffic issues whilst development takes place
2. Ongoing: Holistic approach to parking outside Perch
3. Timescales to be agreed: Town Centre study
4. Ongoing: A41 review
5. Ongoing: Enforcement in Market Square and Sheep Street
6. Ongoing: Update on air quality issues
7. Ongoing: 20mph speed limit updates
8. Cycle barrier review
9. EWR/London Road crossing
10. Bicester North Station to Bicester Village Station – Cyclist presence.
11. Banbury Road roundabout, Southeast link road