

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
(BEDFORD CONTROLLED PARKING ZONE) (PROHIBITION AND RESTRICTION OF
WAITING AND LOADING AND PARKING PLACES) ORDER 2017 (AMENDMENT NO.31)
ORDER 2025

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL ("the Council") in exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3) and 4(2) of, and Part IV of Schedule 9 to, the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended ("the Act") and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act, hereby make the following Order:-

1. This Order may be cited as the "Bedford Borough Council (Bedford Controlled Parking Zone) (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) Order 2017 (Amendment No.31) Order 2025" and shall come into force on 27th October 2025.
2. Except where otherwise stated and referenced in this Order a number or Schedule is a reference to the Article or Schedule bearing that number in this Order.
3. Save as provided in Articles 4, 5 and 6 of this Order no person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a Police Constable in uniform or a Civil Enforcement Officer as defined by the Traffic Management Act 2004, cause or permit any vehicle to wait in any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order.
4. (i) Nothing in Article 3 shall render it unlawful to cause or permit any vehicle to wait in any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order for so long as may be necessary to enable:-
 - (a) a person to board or alight from the vehicle; or
 - (b) the vehicle if it cannot conveniently be used for such purpose in any other road to be used in connection with any building operation or demolition, the removal of any obstruction to traffic, the maintenance improvement or reconstruction of any of the lengths of road so referred to or in the laying, erection, alteration or repair in or near the said lengths of road of any sewer or main pipe or apparatus for the supply of gas, water or electricity or of any telegraphic line as described in the Telegraph Act 1878; or
 - (c) the vehicle to be loaded or unloaded while it is in actual use in connection with the removal of furniture from one office or dwelling house to another or the removal of furniture between such premises and its depository; or
 - (d) the vehicle if it is in the service of or employed by a universal service provider (as defined in Section 65 of the Postal Services Act 2011) to be used for the purpose of delivering and/or collecting postal packets (as defined in Section 125(1) of the Postal Services Act 2011); or
 - (e) the vehicle to be used for fire brigade, ambulance, police or special forces purposes; or
 - (f) the vehicle if it cannot conveniently be used for such purposes in any other road to be used of a Local Authority in pursuance of Statutory Powers or duties; or

- (g) the vehicle to wait at or near to any premises situated on or adjacent to the said lengths of road for so long as such waiting by that vehicle is reasonably necessary in connection with any wedding or funeral; or
 - (h) the person in control of the vehicle if required by law to stop, or if obliged to do so in order to avoid an accident, or if prevented from proceeding by circumstances beyond their control.
 - (ii) Nothing in Article 3 shall render it unlawful to cause or permit any vehicle to wait in any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order for a maximum of 20 minutes between the stated times to enable goods to be loaded or unloaded from the vehicle.
5. Nothing in Article 3 shall render it unlawful to cause or permit a vehicle which lawfully displays in the relevant position a disabled persons badge and parking disc (on which the driver of the vehicle has marked the time at which the waiting began) to wait in any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order.
6. (i) For the purposes of Article 5 “disabled persons badge” and “parking disc” have the same meanings as in “The Local Authorities’ Traffic Orders (Exemptions for Disabled Persons) (England) Regulations 2000”.
- (ii) For the purpose of this Order a vehicle shall be regarded as displaying:-
- (a) a disabled persons badge in the relevant position when:
 - (i) in the case of a vehicle fitted with a front windscreen the badge is exhibited thereon with the obverse side facing forwards on the nearside of and immediately behind the windscreen and with its front facing forward so as to be legible from outside the vehicle; or
 - (ii) in the case of a vehicle not fitted with a front windscreen the badge is exhibited in a conspicuous position on the front nearside of the vehicle.
 - (b) a parking disc in the relevant position when the disc is exhibited thereon with the side which shows the time facing forwards or outwards and immediately behind the windscreen or side window nearest to the kerb.
7. As from the date upon which this Order comes into force any previous Order made under the Act which relates to waiting in any length of road specified in the Schedule to this Order shall be revoked in whole or in part as appropriate.

**THE COMMON SEAL of the
BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL**

was hereunto affixed this
30th day of October 2025
in the presence of:



Authorised Signatory **David Doorne**
Solicitor
Service Manager (GPPL)
Legal Services
Bedford Borough Council



SCHEDULE

Effect of the Order.

1. To revoke all existing waiting and loading restrictions, taxi bays, bus stops and replace with the following:-
“No waiting at any time” restrictions (double yellow lines) and “No loading at any time” restrictions (double kerb blips) on the following lengths of road:

A	Greyfriars, Bedford
(i)	On the north side of its western leg, extending from a point approx. 40 metres south of the centre of Beckett Street in a south-easterly and then easterly direction to a point approx. 51 metres east of the projected centre of Alexandra Place.
(ii)	On the south side of its western leg, extending from its junction with Alexandra Place in a westerly direction for a distance of approx. 84 metres, and in an easterly direction for a distance of approx. 66.5 metres.
(iii)	On the west side of its southern leg, extending from a point approx. 39 metres north of the projected centre of Saffron Close for a distance of approx. 46.5 metres in a northerly direction.
(iv)	On the east side of its southern leg, extending from a point approx. 8 metres south of the centre of Saffron Close (the end of the crossing controlled zone) for a distance of approx. 52 metres in a southerly direction (the start of the existing crossing controlled zone).
(v)	On the east side of its southern leg, extending in a northerly direction from a point approx. 7.5 metres north of the north side of Midland Road to a point approx. 13 metres north of the north side of Midland Road.

2. To introduce new “No waiting at any time” restrictions (double yellow lines) on the following lengths of roads:

A	Greyfriars, Bedford
(i)	On the east side of its western leg, extending from its junction with Bromham Road in a southerly direction to a point approx. 20 metres south of the centre of Beckett Street.
(ii)	On the west side of its western leg, extending from its junction with Bromham Road in a southerly direction to a point approx. 174.5 metres north of the centre of Alexandra Place.
(iii)	On the west side of its western leg, extending from a point approx. 147 metres north-east of the centre of Alexandra Place for a distance of approx. 9.5 metres in a northerly direction.
(iv)	On the west side of its western leg, extending from a point approx. 99 metres north-east of the centre of Alexandra Place for a distance of approx. 8.5 metres in a northerly direction.
(v)	On the east side of its southern leg, extending from a point approx. 46.5 metres north of the centre of Saffron Close (the end of the Bus Stop) for a distance of approx. 20 metres in a southerly direction.
(vi)	On the east side of its southern leg, extending from a point approx. 90.5 metres north of the centre of Saffron Close (the end of the Bus Stop) to its junction with Hassett Street.
(vii)	On the north side of its western leg, extending from its junction with Hassett Street for a distance of approx. 4 metres in a westerly direction.
B	Hassett Street, Bedford
(i)	On its west side, extending from a point approx. 45.5 metres south of the centre of Beckett Street for a distance of approx. 13 metres in a southerly direction.
(ii)	On its west side, extending from a point approx. 63.5 metres south of the centre of Beckett Street to its junction with Greyfriars.
(iii)	On its east side, extending from its junction with Greyfriars for a distance of approx. 4.5 metres in a northerly direction.

3. To introduce new “No stopping at any time except Taxis” restriction on the following length of road:

A	Greyfriars, Bedford
(i)	On the western side of its southern leg, extending from a point approx. 23 metres north of the north side of Midland Road for a distance of approx. 40.5 metres in a northerly direction.

4. To introduce “Pay & Display parking, maximum stay 2 hours, Monday – Saturday 8am – 6pm except Permit Holders (B)” on the following lengths of road:

A	Greyfriars, Bedford
(i)	On the east side of its western leg, extending from a point approx. 20 metres south of the centre of Beckett Street for a distance of approx. 20 metres in a southerly direction.

(ii)	On the west side of its western leg, extending from a point approx. 107.5 metres north-west of the centre of Alexandra Place for a distance of approx. 39.5 metres in a northerly direction.
(iii)	On the west side of its western leg, extending from a point approx. 156.5 metres north-west of the centre of Alexandra Place for a distance of approx. 18 metres in a northerly direction.

AUTHORITY FOR EXECUTION		
COUNCIL/COMMITTEE	MINUTE No.	DATE
DELEGATED POWER	By whom executed ENVIRONMENT	15/01/2025
	OFFICERS INITIALS	DATE
ORIGINATED AND CHECKED BY	DG	17/10/2025
APPROVED BY	AP	17/10/2025



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STATEMENT OF REASONS

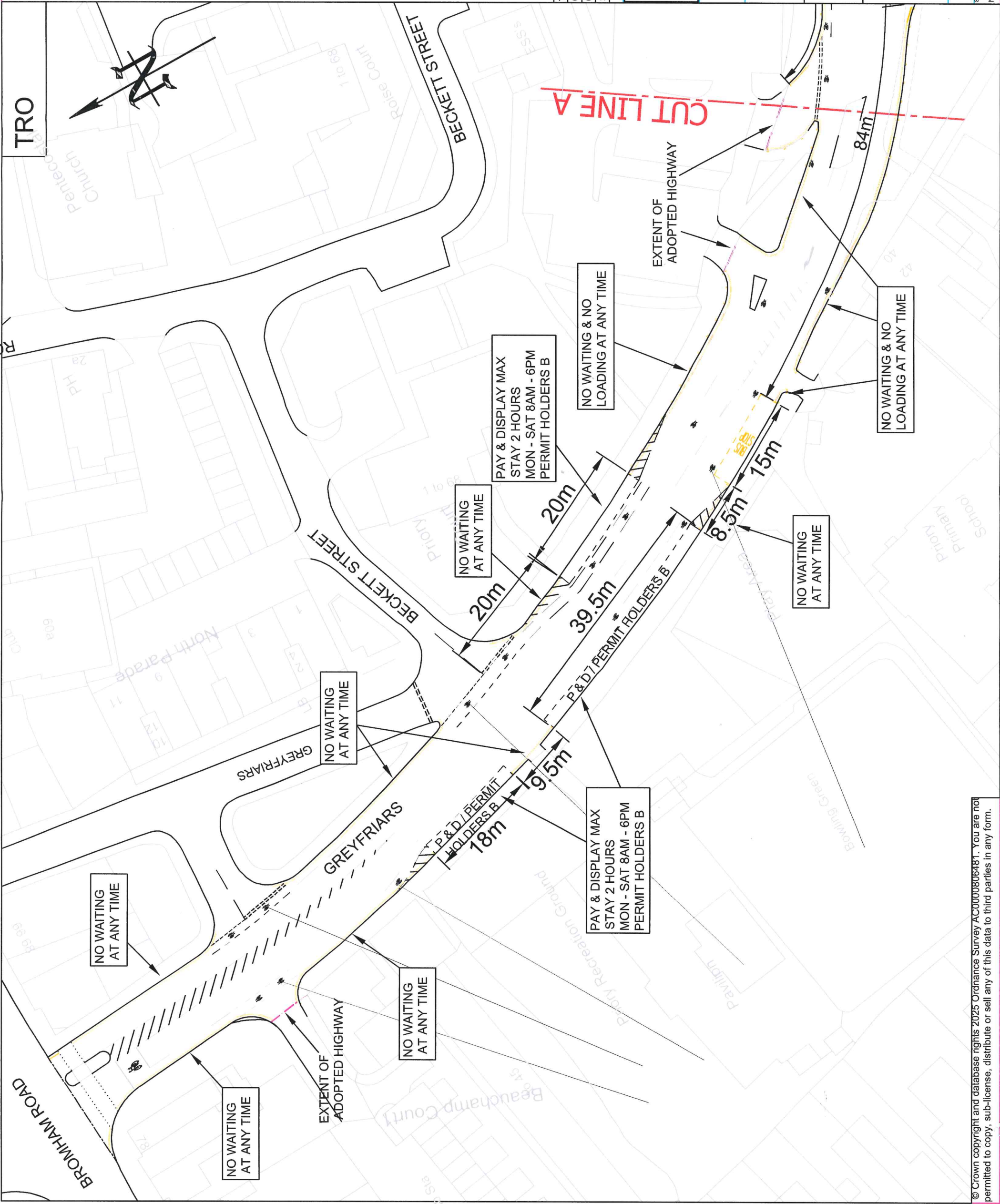
As part of the Town Deal, Bedford Borough Council proposes highway improvement works in Greyfriars. This will entail adding a signalled crossing and amending waiting restrictions.

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Existing double yellow lines

New double yellow lines (to match existing) to Diagram 1018.1 of the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016.

Prohibition of loading and unloading at any time (double blips on kerb)



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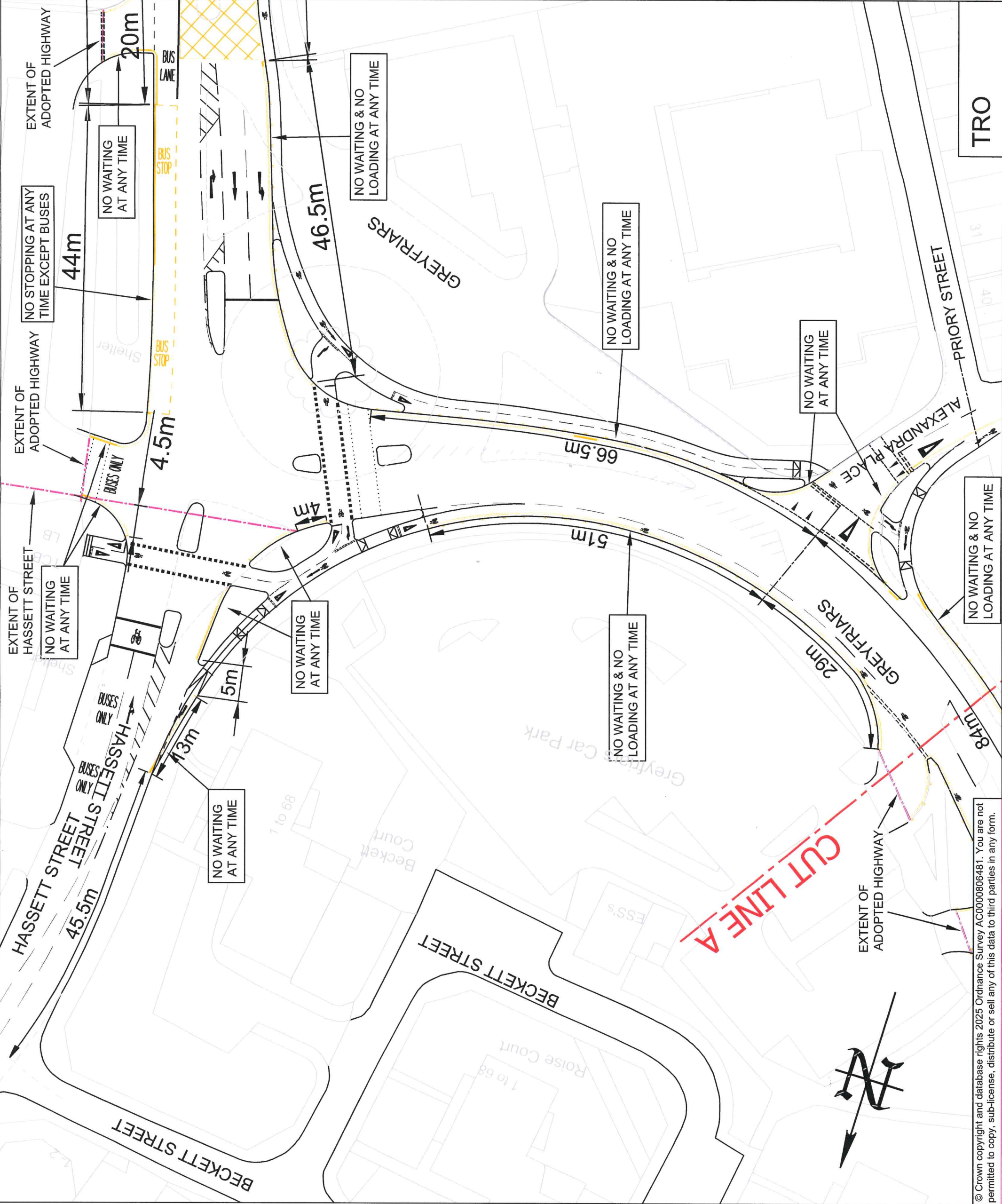
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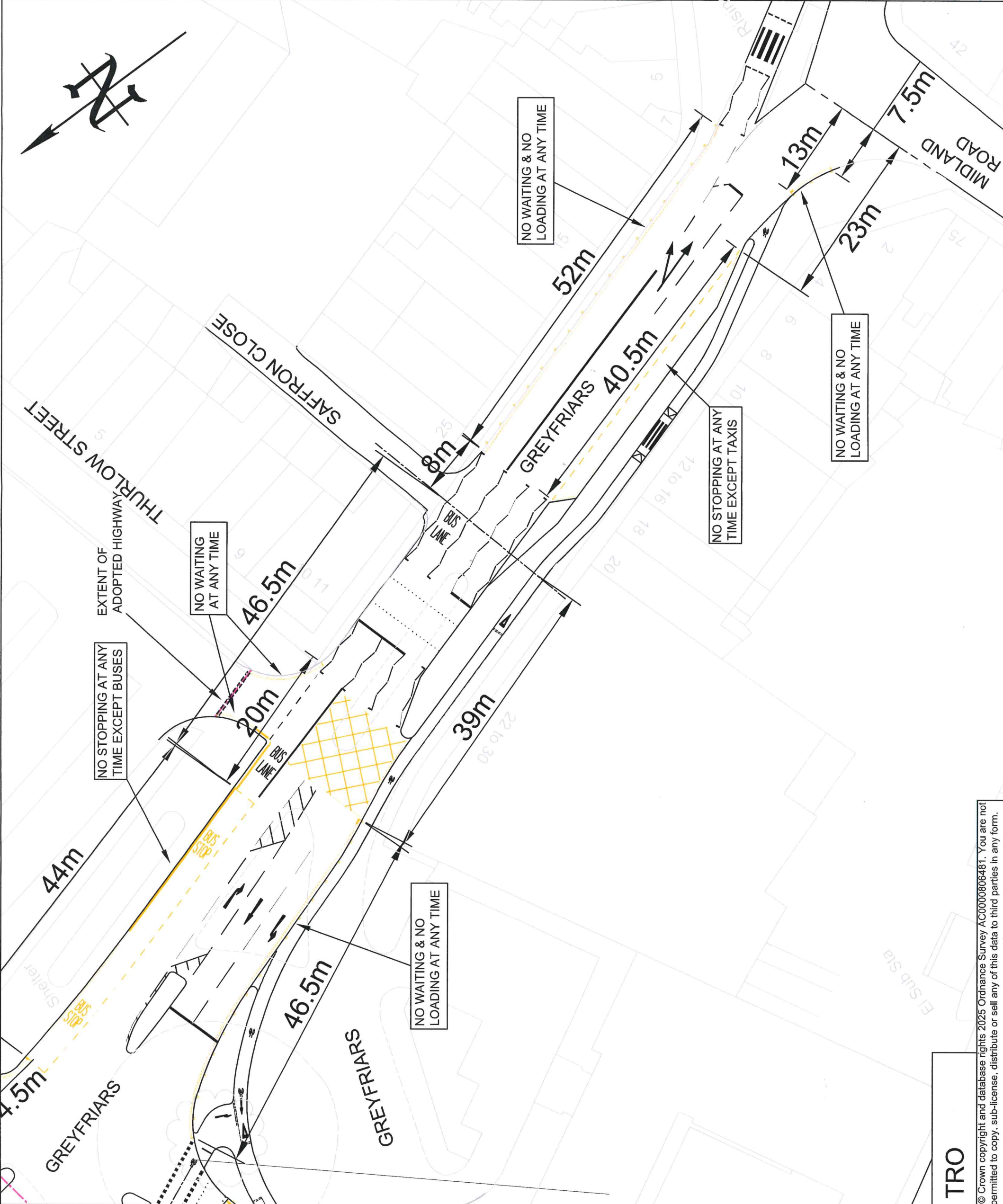
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