

TEAM MANAGER, HIGHWAY RECORDS

REPORT TO HEAD OF STRATEGIC TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE
17th JULY 2023

PROPOSED STOPPING UP OF PART OF MARCH STREET, DARNALL,
SHEFFIELD 9.

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 To seek authority to process the Stopping-Up Order required for closing part of March Street in the Darnall area of Sheffield, as shown hatched black on the plan included as Appendix A. hereby referred to as 'the plan'.

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 The City Council has received a request to close part of March Street as shown by black hatching on the plan. It is the view of the applicant that this part of the highway is not required by the public.

2.2 The affected part of March Street serves only as access to premises owned by the applicant. An access agreement, with an adjacent landowner, has been agreed (in principle) on successful completion of the closure process, though that landowner does not currently take any access from March Street.

3.0 CONSULTATIONS

3.1 Consultations have been carried out with the Statutory Undertakers and other relevant bodies including the Emergency Services.

3.2 Cadent Gas have equipment within the area to be stopped up and have raised an objection. However, an easement agreement has been agreed with the applicant. At the time of writing this report we are still awaiting notification that the objection has been withdrawn. An application to the Magistrates' Court will not be made until the objection has been removed.

3.3 A lighting column, within the subject area, will require disconnection and removal. The applicant has agreed terms with our highway maintenance contractor Amey, and the column will be removed on successful completion of the closure process.

3.4 We have received no further objections to the proposal, though not all consultees had responded at the time of writing this report.

4.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The Director of Legal Services has been consulted and has advised that, assuming the subject area of highway is unnecessary, it would be appropriate to process a closure using the powers contained within Section 116 of the Highways Act 1980.

5.0 HIGHWAY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 March Street is an adopted all-purpose cul-de-sac highway, in the Darnall area of Sheffield.

5.2 No highway turning facility exists within the current highway layout. Therefore, it is not considered necessary that a turning-head should be provided as a consequence of the closure.

5.3 The subject highway serves only as access to RS Bruce Ltd (the applicant). There are no public rights of way that connect with the highway. It is therefore considered that the highway is unnecessary for public use. The proposed closure will not have a detrimental effect on the surrounding highway network and its users and will not affect the public's enjoyment of the area.

6.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IMPLICATIONS

6.1 No particular equal opportunity implications arise from the proposal in this report.

7.0 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 No particular environmental implications arise from the proposal in this report.

8.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 All costs associated with this application will be met by the applicant.

8.3 There will be a small reduction of approximately £257 per annum to the Highway Maintenance Revenue Budget as a result of this highway closure.

9.0 CONCLUSION

9.1 Based on the above information, I have no objections to the proposed closure, as shown on the plan included as Appendix A.

10.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1 Raise no objection to the proposed Stopping Up, required to close part of March Street in the Darnall area of Sheffield, as shown by black hatching on the plan included as Appendix A, subject to satisfactory arrangements being made with Statutory Undertakers with regards to any of their mains and services that may be affected.
- 10.2 Authorise the Director of Legal and Governance to take all necessary action on the matter under the powers contained within Section 116 of the Highways Act 1980 and to apply to the Magistrates' Court for the Order.

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17th July 2023

REPORT APPROVED BY TOM FINNEGAN-SMITH
HEAD OF STRATEGIC TRANSPORT, SUSTAINABILITY AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Signed

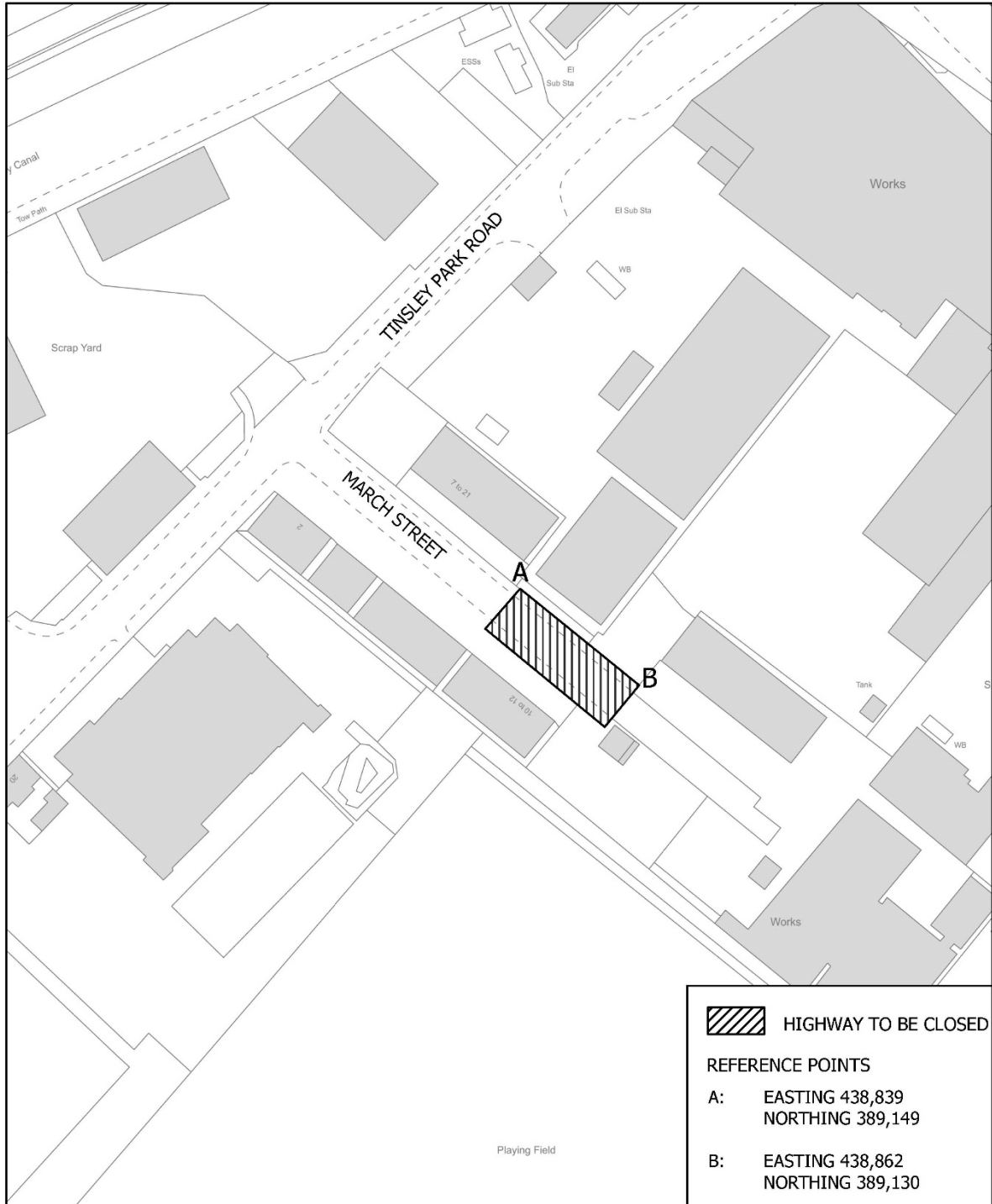
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APPENDIX A



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