

TEAM MANAGER, HIGHWAY RECORDS

REPORT TO HEAD OF STRATEGIC TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

7th February 2022.

PROPOSED STOPPING UP OF PART OF WALKLEY BANK ROAD AND PART OF ARNOLD STREET AT WALKLEY, SHEFFIELD 6.

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To seek authority to approve the proposed Stopping-Up Order for part of a highway verge that forms part of the adopted public highway at Walkley Bank Road and part of the unadopted highway of Arnold Street, as shown hatched black on the plan included as Appendix A.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 An application to make a Highway Stopping-Up Order, under Section 247 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, has been made to the Department for Transport's National Transport Casework Team (N.T.C.T.).
- 2.2 Planning consent has been granted conditionally, under application number 21/04663/CHU for the use of land as domestic garden at 104 Walkley Bank Road.
- 2.3 N.T.C.T. has contacted the City Council, as a statutory consultee, in respect of the proposed closure.
- 2.4 The applicant is seeking the permanent closure of part of the highway verge at Walkley Bank Road and Arnold Street, as shown hatched black on the plan included as Appendix A.
- 2.5 The applicant contends that, to facilitate the development, it will be necessary to permanently stop up the area of highway shown by black hatching on the closure plan included as Appendix A.

3.0 CONSULTATIONS

- 3.1 In this particular case, it is not the role of the City Council to consult the statutory organisations and other relevant bodies. However, as part of the process of making the application to N.T.C.T, the applicant should have consulted the usual sources and been in discussion with affected parties concerning the resiting and protection of their equipment. It is understood that the N.T.C.T. also make their own consultations as appropriate. At the time of writing this report the Council had not received notification of any objections.

4.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The Director of Legal Services has been consulted and has advised that, assuming the subject area of highway needs to be stopped up to facilitate the development, and that planning consent has been granted, it will be appropriate to process the closure using the powers contained within Section 247 of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990.

5.0 HIGHWAY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Located in the Walkley area of Sheffield, Walkley Bank Road is an all-purpose adopted highway, whilst Arnold Street is an unadopted highway.
- 5.2 The subject area forms part of a wide verge area that is set back from the footway of Walkley Bank Road, as shown in the photo, included as Appendix B.
- 5.3 This verge area is not utilised by highway users and this proposal will not affect the general public's use of the highway of Walkley Bank Road and Arnold Street.

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 The closure will result in a slight reduction to the Highway Maintenance budget.
- 8.3 The City Council's Property Services and Facilities Management Team have agreed terms for the sale of the land. On successful completion of the highway closure process the land will be transferred.
- 8.4 All costs relating to the closure of the highway and the subsequent sale of the land will be met by the applicant.

9.0 CONCLUSION

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

10.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1 Raise no objection to the proposed stopping up of part of the public highway (verge) of Walkley Bank Road and Arnold Street in the Walkley area of Sheffield.
- 10.2 Authorise the Director of Legal Services to notify N.T.C.T. of this decision.

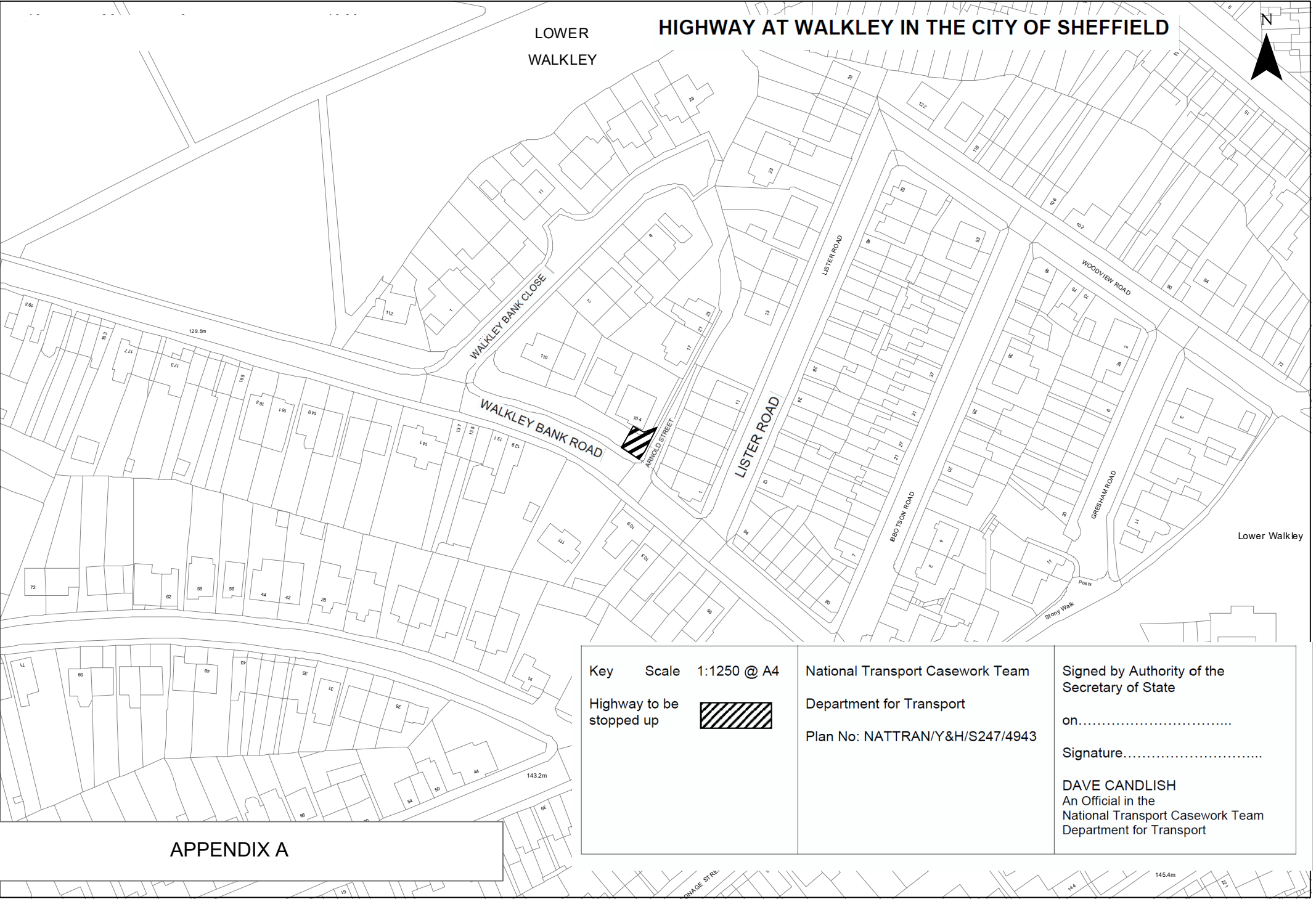
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7th February 2022

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

Signed

Date



HIGHWAY AT WALKLEY IN THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD

LOWER
WALKLEY



Lower Walkley

Key Scale 1:1250 @ A4

Highway to be
stopped up



National Transport Casework Team

Department for Transport

Plan No: NATTRAN/Y&H/S247/4943

Signed by Authority of the
Secretary of State

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Signature.....

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APPENDIX A

