

TEAM MANAGER, HIGHWAY RECORDS

REPORT TO HEAD OF STRATEGIC TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

9th December 2019

PROPOSED STOPPING UP OF PARTS OF FOX HILL CRESCENT AND UNNAMED FOOTPATH OFF FOX HILL ROAD.

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To seek authority to process the Highway Stopping-Up Order required to close parts of Fox Hill Crescent and an unnamed footpath off Fox Hill Road at Fox Hill, Sheffield, shown by black hatching 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.) by a developer.
- 2.2 N.T.C.T. has contacted the City Council, as a statutory consultee, in respect of the proposed closure.
- 2.3 The applicant is seeking the closure of highway, which forms parts of the footway of Fox Hill Crescent and an unnamed footpath off Fox Hill Road to facilitate the erection of 146 dwellings and 21 apartments in 1x stepped three-storey block including associated parking, access and landscaping.
- 2.4 In order to facilitate the approved development, the applicant contests that it is necessary to permanently stop up the areas 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. At the time of writing this report the Council had not received notification of any third party objections.

4.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

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

5.0 HIGHWAY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Fox Hill Crescent is an adopted public highway. The unnamed footpath is adopted and currently provides a link to definitive public path SHE\356

5.2 The closure will remove 3 areas of footway shown as stopping up areas 1,2 and 3 on the plan included as Appendix A. These areas are of varying length and width as follows:

- area 1 has a maximum length of 30 metres, with a maximum width of 2 metres
- area 2 has a maximum length of 4.3 metres, with a maximum width of 0.9 metres
- area 3 has a maximum width of 234.4 metres, with a maximum width of 2.7 metres.

5.3 A new 1.8m footway will be provided along Fox Hill Crescent fronting the development as shown cross-hatched on the plan included as Appendix B. The provision of this footway will reduce the current carriageway width from 8 metres to 6.5 metres. Officers in the Council's Highway Development Control team consider this a suitable width to accommodate the anticipated traffic usage.

5.4 A new highway and a rural standard footpath link will provide a pedestrian link between Fox Hill Crescent and definitive public path SHE\356.

5.5 On that basis, the Council is satisfied that:

- the closure of these parts of Fox Hill Crescent and the unnamed footpath should not affect the public's enjoyment of the area.
- the closure is necessary for the proposed development and it is considered that it will have no detrimental effect on the surrounding highway network and its users.

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 accruing to the Council (Highway Maintenance Division) in association with this proposal will be met by the Applicant (including commuted sums for future maintenance if applicable).

8.2 There will be no increase in liability on 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 by hatching on the plan included as Appendix A.

10.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 Raise no objections to the proposed closure of parts of Fox Hill Crescent and an unnamed footpath off Fox Hill Road at Fox Hill, Sheffield, shown by black hatching on the closure plan included as Appendix A, subject to satisfactory arrangements being made with Statutory Undertakers with regards to their mains and services that may be affected.

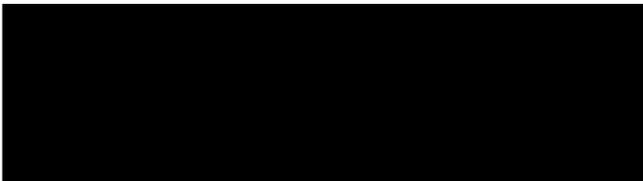
10.2 Authorise Legal Services to take all necessary action on the matter under the powers contained within the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, Section 247, and to apply to the Department for Transport for an Order to close the said area of highway.

Mark Reeder

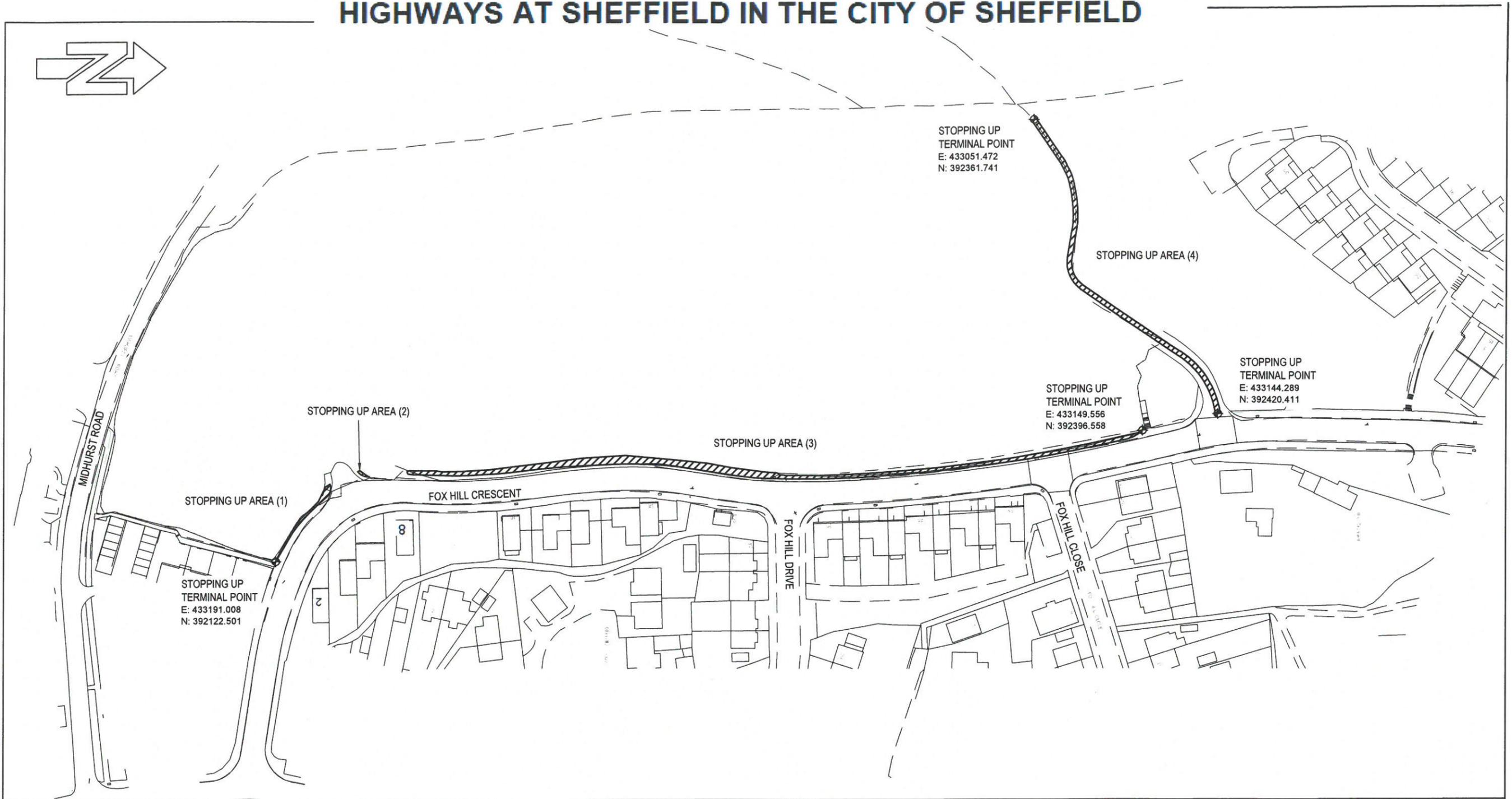
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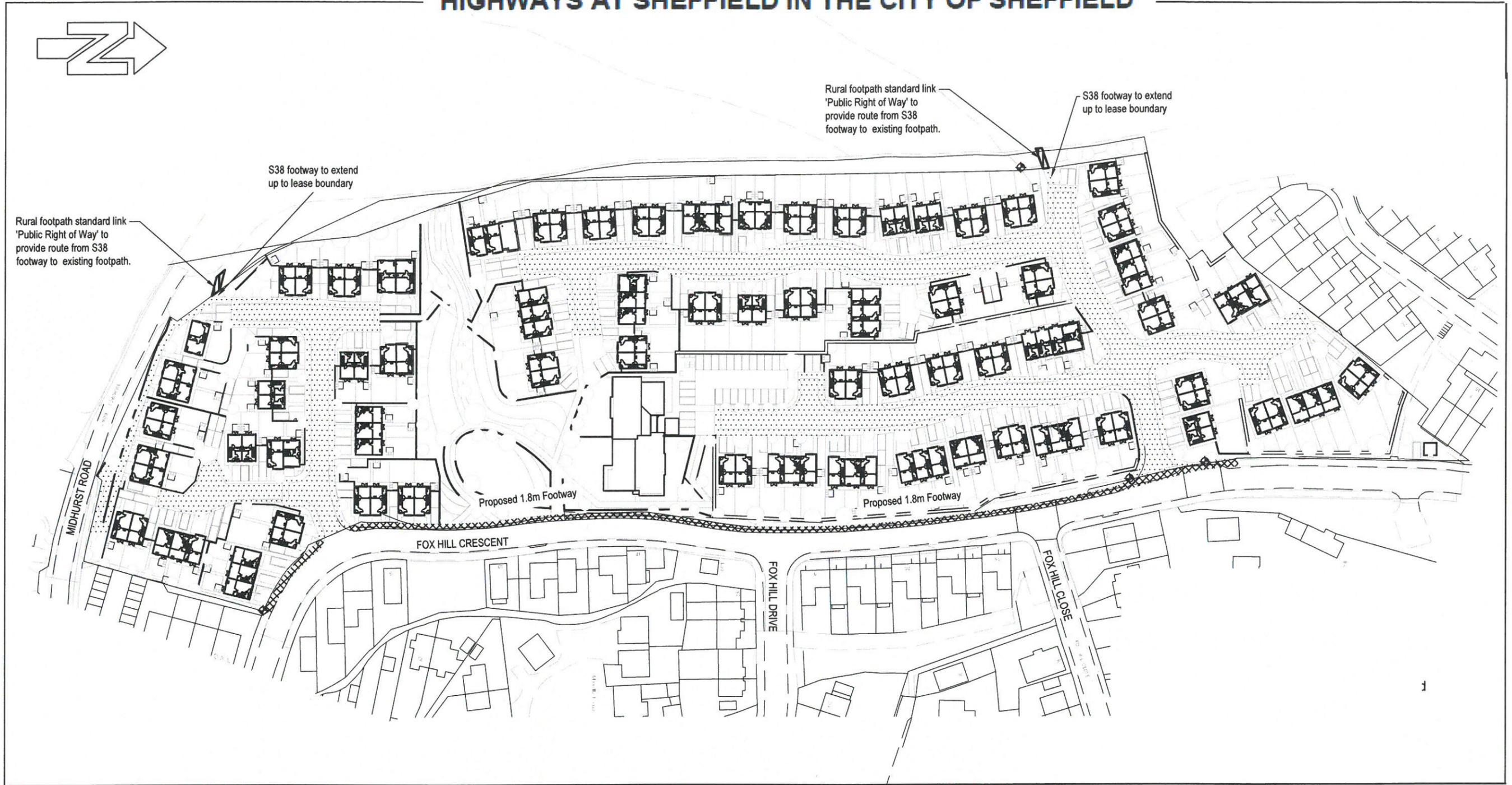


SITE PLAN 1

<p>Key Scale 1:1250 at A3</p>	<p>National Transport Casework Team</p>	<p>Signed by Authority of the Secretary of State</p>
<p>Highways to be stopped up</p>	<p>Department for Transport</p>	<p>on.....</p>
	<p>Plan No: NATTRAN/Y&H/S247/3968(A)</p>	<p>Signature.....</p>
		<p>DAVE CANDLISH An Official in the National Transport Casework Team Department for Transport</p>



HIGHWAYS AT SHEFFIELD IN THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD



SITE PLAN 2

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Proposed highway improvements		Department for Transport	on.....
Proposed new highways to be provided		Plan No: NATTRAN/Y&H/S247/3968(B)	Signature.....
Proposed new Footpath to be Provided			DAVE CANDLISH An Official in the National Transport Casework Team Department for Transport

