## **Delegated Decision**

April 2024
BARNARD CASTLE
PARKING AND WAITING RESTRICTIONS
TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER 2024
Ordinary Decision/Key Decision No.



Report of Major Projects - Strategic Traffic Management, Regeneration, Economy and Growth.

## Electoral division(s) affected:

**Barnard Castle** 

## **Purpose of the Report**

To request approval to progress a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce parking and waiting restrictions and restricted bays in Barnard Castle.

## **Executive Summary**

Reports have been received from Durham Constabulary, Local Parish Councils, Durham County Council departments and residents raising concerns regarding obstructive parking, access, visibility and safety issues within the town. It's therefore proposed to make an amendment to the Barnard Castle TRO.

The proposals are to introduce 'no waiting at any time' restrictions in multiple locations (Flatts Road, Newgate, The Sills, Vere Road) and 'blue badge holders only' bays on Baliol Street to improve road safety, access, visibility, and traffic flow whilst reducing obstructive parking and congestion issues.

The proposals were sent to Statutory Consultees (06/05/23-27/05/23) and directly affected frontages (15/05/23-06/06/23) with responses mainly in favour of the proposals, however an objection was received.

All local Members and Durham Constabulary were consulted and raised no objection to the proposals.

### Recommendation

To approve the progression of the TRO as requested.

## **Background**

## Flatts Road, Barnard Castle

Concerns have been raised about obstructive parking on Flatts Road, Barnard Castle. The current nature of the parking has caused obstruction of a local water access cover thus obstructing emergency services.

The introduction of 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on Flatts Road will prevent parking in the area highlighted, thus removing any obstruction to emergency services in the area.

Informal Consultation, conducted: 05/06/2023

Total Properties balloted	Number in favour	Number opposed
6	1	0

## Vere Road, Barnard Castle

Concerns have been raised about obstructive parking on Vere Road, Barnard Castle. The current nature of the parking has caused visibility issues on the junction with Commercial Yard to road users. Due to this, vehicles travelling up Commercial Yard have hardship getting onto Vere Road safely due to lack of visibility.

The introduction of 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on Vere Road and Commercial Yard will prevent parking in the area highlighted, thus improving road safety, reducing the number of near misses experienced at this location, enhancing road user safety.

Informal Consultation, conducted: 05/06/2023

Total Properties balloted	Number in favour	Number opposed
5	0	2

## **Newgate, Barnard Castle**

Concerns have been raised about obstructive parking on Newgate Road on its junctions with Wood Street, North View, and Hepworth Yard. The current nature of the parking has caused visibility issues to road users on these junctions. Due to this, vehicles travelling onto and off Newgate via these junctions have hardship safely doing so due to lack of visibility.

The introduction of 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on the junction mentioned previously will prevent parking in the area highlighted, thus improving road safety, reducing the number of near misses experienced at these locations, enhancing road user safety.

Informal Consultation, conducted: 05/06/2023

Total Properties balloted	Number in favour	Number opposed
10	0	0

## **Baliol Street, Barnard Castle**

Concerns have been raised about obstructive parking on Baliol Street, Barnard Castle. The current nature of the parking has caused visibility issues on the junction with Galgate to road users. Due to this, vehicles travelling down Baliol Street have hardship getting onto Galgate safely due to lack of visibility.

The introduction of 'Disabled Parking' restrictions on Baliol Street will prevent parking in the area highlighted, thus improving road safety at this location, enhancing road user safety.

Informal Consultation, conducted: 05/06/2023

Total Properties balloted	Number in favour	Number opposed
6	0	1

#### The Sills, Barnard Castle

Concerns have been raised about obstructive parking on The Sills, Barnard Castle. The current nature of the parking has caused visibility issues to road users on the junctions of The Sills, Ullathorne Rise and Gill Lane. Due to this,

vehicles navigating the junctions have hardship safely doing so due to lack of visibility.

The introduction of 'no waiting at any time' restrictions around the junctions will prevent parking in the area highlighted, thus improving road safety at these locations, enhancing road user safety.

Informal Consultation, conducted: 05/06/2023

Total Properties balloted	Number in favour	Number opposed
10	5	0

## Main implications

Consent to the progression of the following parking and waiting restrictions:-

To introduce 'no waiting at any time' restrictions on:

- o The Sills, Barnard Castle
- Newgate, Barnard Castle
- Flatts Road, Barnard Castle
- Vere Road, Barnard Castle

To introduce 'restricted parking bay' restrictions on:

o Baliol Street, Barnard Castle

#### Conclusion

It is recommended to progress to formal advertising of the TRO subject to satisfactory consultation, proceed to seal and the creation of an enforceable TRO.

From time to time consolidation of orders may be required following amendment of an Order. If this is considered necessary, then this Authority may be used for the advertising and sealing of both Orders.

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# **Appendix 1: Implications**

## **Legal Implications**

**Enforceable TRO** 

#### **Finance**

Strategic Traffic.

#### Consultation

Statutory Instrument 2489

## **Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty**

It is considered that there are no Equality and Diversity issues to be addressed.

## **Climate Change**

It is considered that there are no Climate Change issues to be addressed.

## **Human Rights**

No impact on Human Rights.

#### **Crime and Disorder**

No impact on Crime and Disorder

## Staffing

No impact on staffing.

#### **Accommodation**

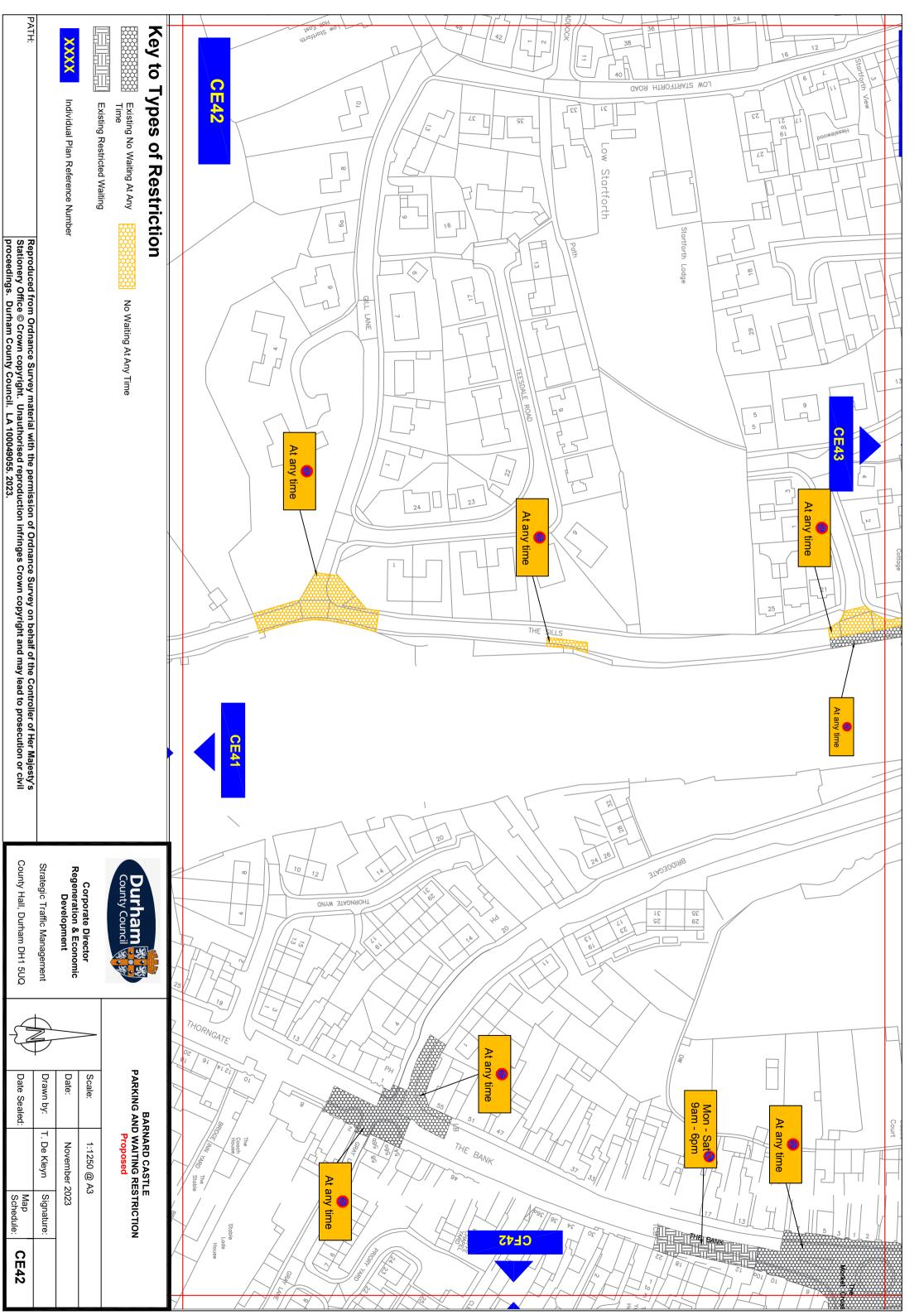
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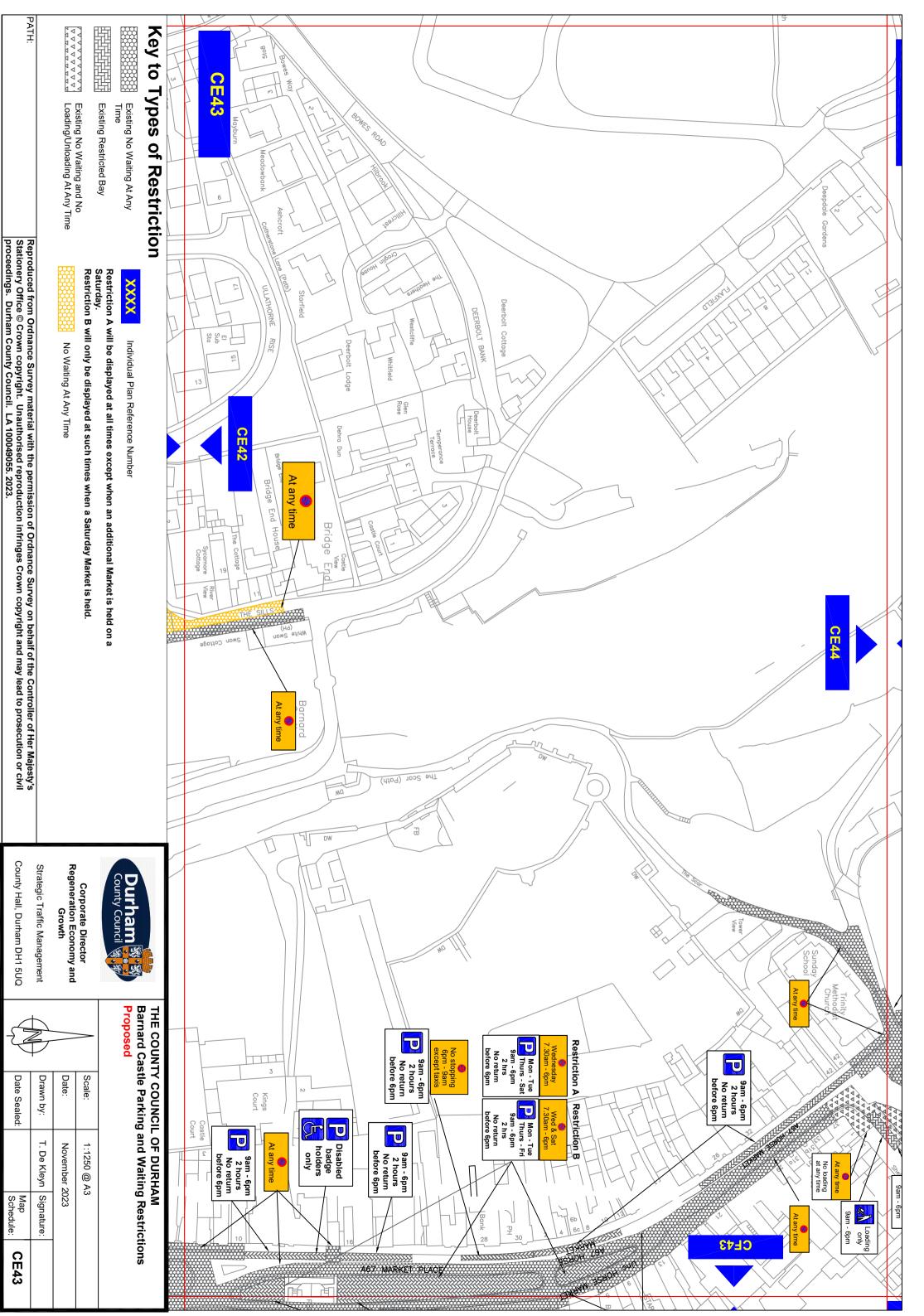
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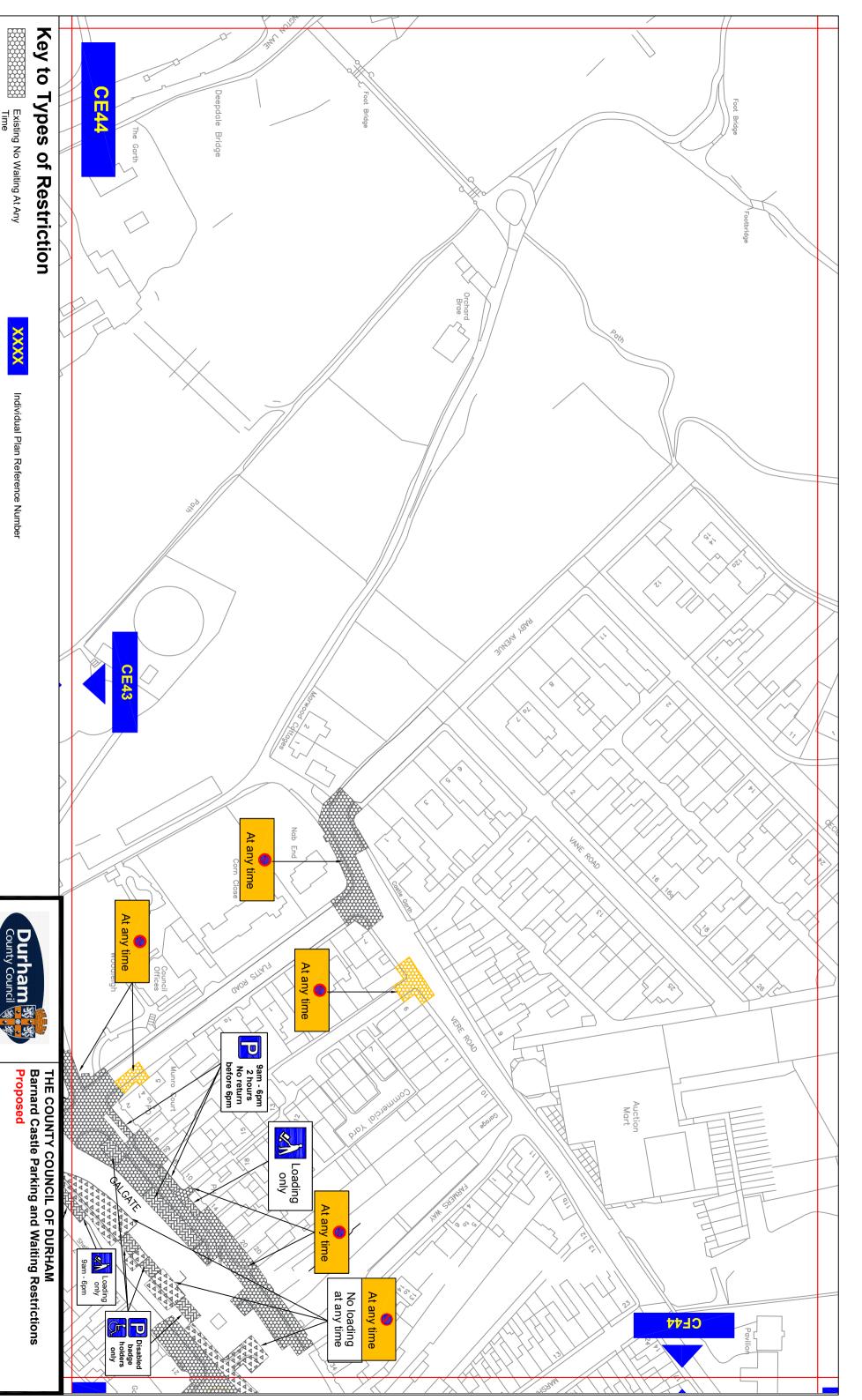
No change to the risk impact.

#### **Procurement**

Durham County Council Legal Services.







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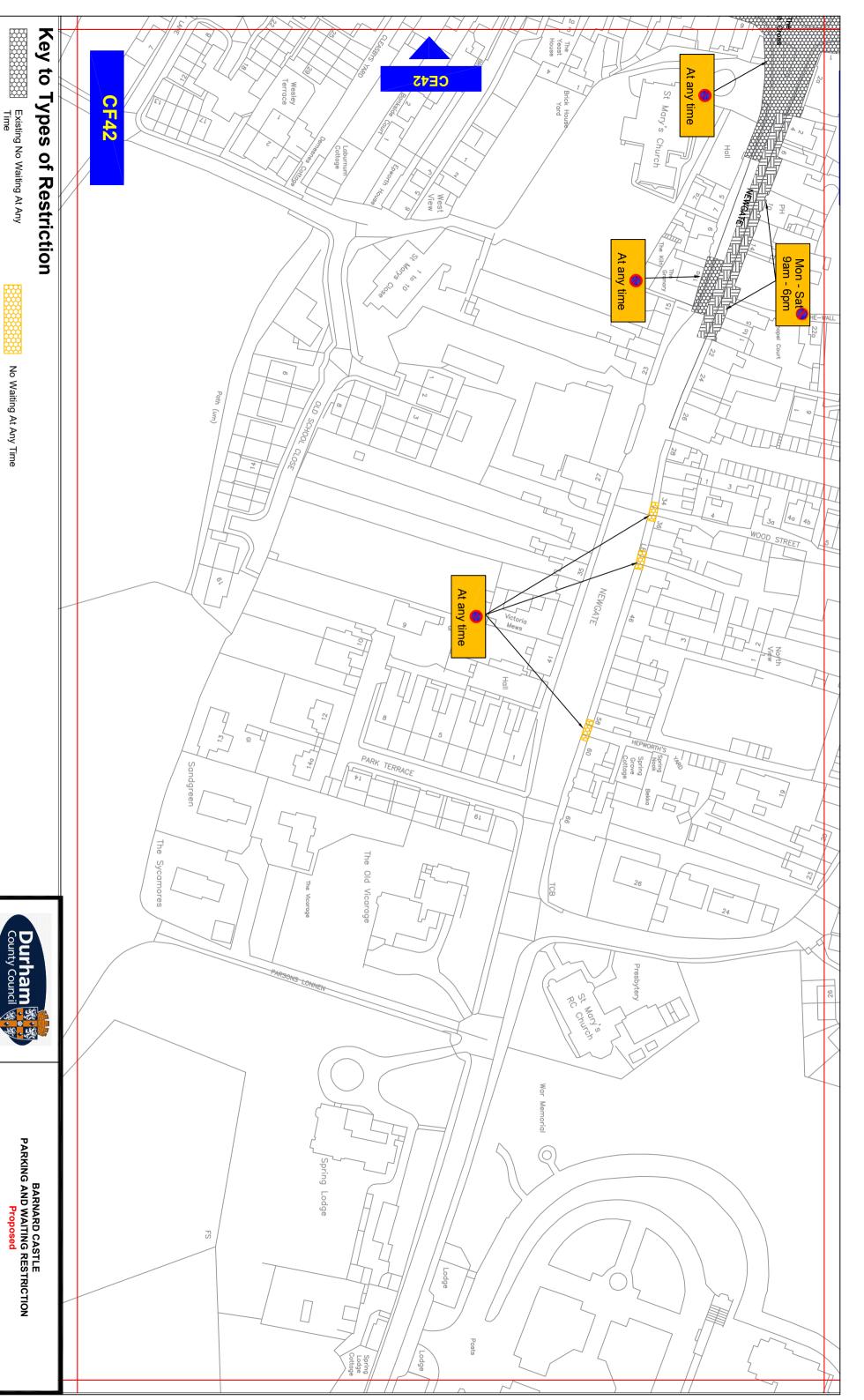
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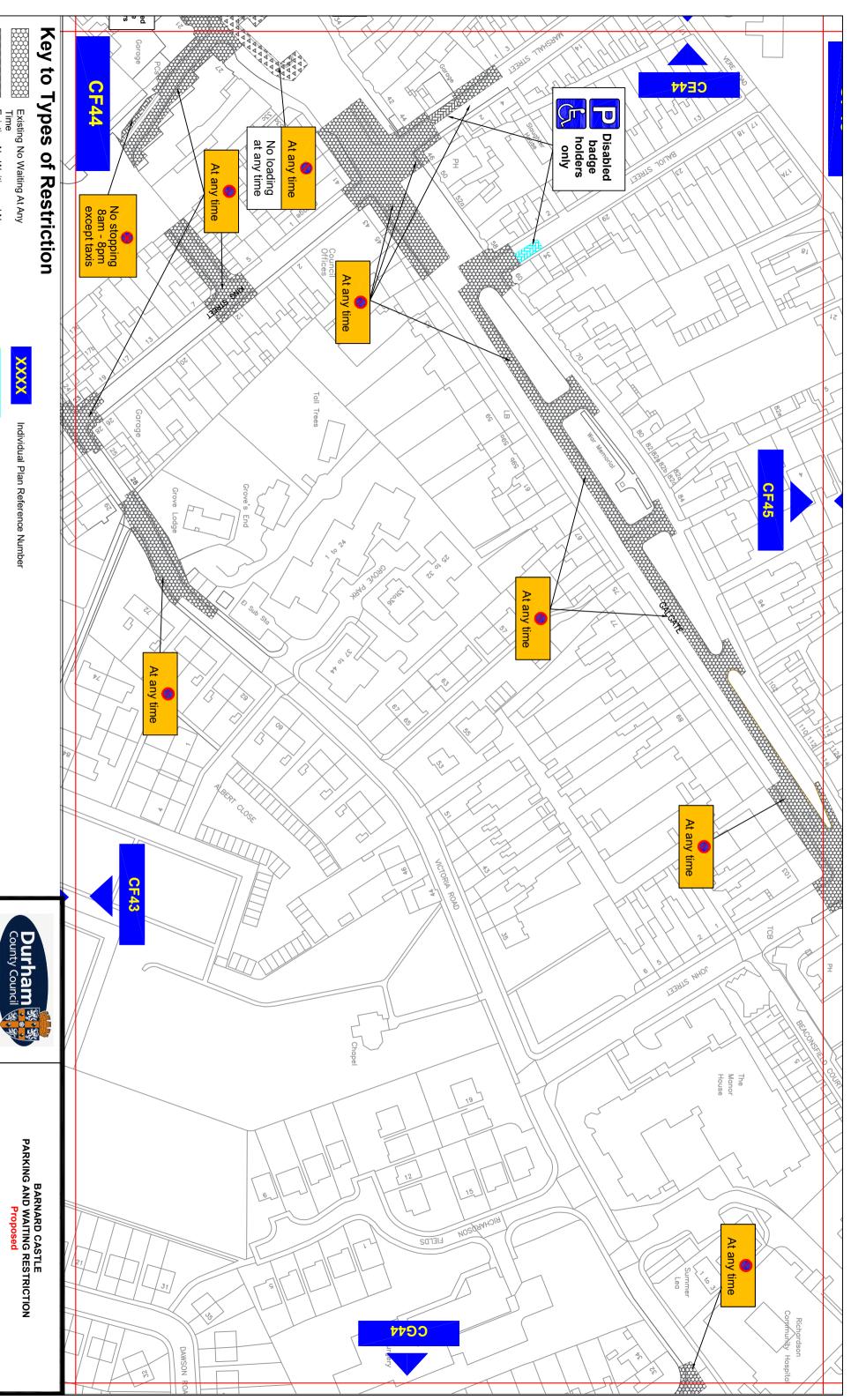
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