DELEGATED DECISIONS BY CABINET MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT MANAGEMENT

27 MARCH 2025

CHERWELL & WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICTS: VARIOUS LOCATIONS – PROPOSED DISABLED PERSONS PARKING PLACES

Report by Director of Environment & Highways

RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet Member is RECOMMENDED to:

Approve the following:

- a) The proposed provision of Disabled Persons Parking Places (DPPP) at: Station Road, Alvescot; Abbey Road, Banbury; Crouch Hill Road, Banbury; Foscote Rise, Banbury; Kings Road, Banbury; Mold Crescent, Banbury; Withycombe Drive, Banbury; Woodgreen Avenue, Banbury; Blake Road, Bicester; Hertford Close, Bicester; Leach Road, Bicester; Wear Road, Bicester; Little Green, Bloxham; Orchard Rise, Chesterton; Cornish Road, Chipping Norton; Walterbush Road, Chipping Norton; Cleveley Court, Enstone; Merton Close, Eynsham; Saywell Crescent, Eynsham; Marlborough Avenue, Kidlington; North Green, Kirtlington; Troy Lane, Kirtlington,
- b) The proposed removal of Disabled Persons Parking Places (DPPP) at: Cromwell Road, Banbury; Hailey Road, Chipping Norton,
- c) To not approve the provision of a DPPP at the following location: Church Street, Deddington; The Village Close, Upper Arncott; Mill Farm Lane, Witney,
- d) To not approve the removal of a DPPP at the following location: Honor Close, Kidlington.

Executive Summary

2. The provision of Disabled Persons Parking Places is reviewed when requested by members of the public. Specific proposals are assessed applying national regulations and guidance on the suitability of providing new bays or amending or removing existing ones.

- This report presents objections received in the course of the statutory consultation on the proposals to remove, amend and introduce disabled persons parking places (DPPP's) at various locations in the Cherwell and West districts.
- 4. The proposals have been put forward following requests from residents, including where a new place has been requested an assessment of eligibility, applying the national guidelines on the provision part of such parking places. Annexes 1 to 28 provide plans of the locations for which objections have been received or concerns raised.

Financial Implications

5. Funding for the proposed waiting restrictions has been provided from the County Council's revenue budget.

Legal Implications

- 6. The consultation that has been undertaken complies with the consultation requirements for the various elements as required by law including under the Highways Act 1980, the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and any other relevant regulations.
- 7. The scheme has been promoted by Oxfordshire County Council as the Highway Authority under the Highways Act 1980, and the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

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Equality and Inclusion Implications

8. The provision of disabled persons parking places assists those with a mobility impairment.

Sustainability Implications

9. The proposals would help facilitate the mobility of disabled persons in the vicinity of their places of residence.

Formal Consultation

- 10. Formal consultation was carried out between 6 February 2025 and 7 March 2025. A notice was published in the Banbury Guardian and the Bicester Gazette, an email sent to statutory consultees & key-stakeholders, including Thames Valley Police, the Fire & Rescue Service, Ambulance service, Bus operators, countywide transport, access & disabled peoples user groups, Cherwell District and West Oxfordshire District Councils, and the relevant local County Councillors representing the divisions affected.
- 11. Letters were also sent to approx. 400 properties in the immediate vicinity, and public notices were also placed on site adjacent to the proposals.
- 12. Sixty-nine responses were received from members of the public during the course of the consultation, and these are summarised in the table below:

Town	Location	Support	Object	Concerns
Alvescot	Station Road	1	1	
Banbury	Abbey Road		2	
	Cromwell Road	1		
	(Removal)			
	Crouch Hill Road			1
	Foscote Rise	2	3	1
	Kings Road		1	
	Mold Crescent	1	1	
	Withycombe Drive			1
	Woodgreen Avenue		1	
Bicester	Blake Road			1
	Hertford Close		1	
	Leach Road	1		2
	Wear Road		6	1
Bloxham	Little Green		2	2
Chesterton	Orchard Rise	1	1	1
Chipping Norton	Cornish Road			2
	Hailey Road (2 x Removal)	1		
	Walterbush Road		1	
Deddington	Church Street		1	
Enstone	Cleveley Court	1		
Eynsham	Merton Close		4	
	Saywell Crescent	1	1	
Kidlington	Honor Close		1	
	(Removal)			

	Marlborough Avenue			1
Kirtlington	North Green	1	7	1
	Troy Lane	1		
Upper Arncott	The Village Close		8	
Witney	Mill Farm Lane		1	

- 13. Thames Valley Police responded expressing no objection.
- 14. The County Cllrs responsible for the Banbury Ruscote, Bicester West and Witney West & Bampton supported all the proposals within their divisions. Witney Town Council and Cherwell District Council expressed no objections. Unlimited Oxfordshire supports the proposals.
- 15. Kirtlington Parish Council responded, supporting the proposal on Troy Lane, but objected to the proposal for North Green on the grounds that they believe the road in the location is too narrow to accommodate a disabled parking space., coupled with the fact that there is no pavement at the roadside for safe entry/exit of a vehicle by a disabled person without stepping into the road.
- 16. The responses are shown in **Annex 29**, and copies of the original responses are available for inspection by County Councillors. Any comments received that contain personal abuse and/or other personal information will be redacted as appropriate.

Officer Response to Objections/Concerns

- 17. Comments and recommendations are provided in response to the concerns and objections as given in Annex 29 in respect of each of the proposed sites in the following paragraphs.
- 18. The eligibility for a blue badge is determined by teams at the County Council following thorough assessments, which are separate to the process for Disabled persons parking places applications (DPPP's). If through the DPPP application process evidence is provided that a valid blue badge is being used by the applicant this is deemed acceptable for the purposes of promoting the introduction of a DPPP.
- 19. If a member of the public believes that a blue badge is being misused or someone is committing benefit fraud, they should report it to the department for work and pensions (DWP) or the county council's blue badge team.

Alvescot - Station Road: proposed new DPPP

20. One objection and one expression of support was received; the positioning of the proposed DPPP could cause an obstruction to traffic and pedestrians in the area; it is recommended that this proposal is approved, but consideration needs

to be taken into the most suitable safe location for a DPPP, so as not to cause any obstruction.

Banbury - Abbey Road: proposed new DPPP

21. Two objections were received; parking is problematic here and there is no room for another disabled bay, given that the applicant already parks in Abbey Road, it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place.

Banbury - Cromwell Road: proposed removal of DPPP

22. One expression of support to the removal was received; it is recommended to approve the removal of the disabled parking place.

Banbury - Crouch Hill Road: proposed new DPPP

23. One expression of concern was received; concerns over the location were received; the positioning of the DPPP is proposed to be outside the applicant's house, it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place.

Banbury - Foscote Rise: proposed new DPPP

24. Three objections, one expression of concern and two expression of support was received; concerns were received that there is a drive available for the resident and concerns over inconsiderate parking in the street; the applicant's disability prevents him from using the driveway, therefore it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place.

Banbury - Kings Road: proposed new DPPP

25. One objection was received; concerns were received over another DPPP in the vicinity that is not utilised, it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place and advertise the existing DPPP for removal.

Banbury - Mold Crescent: proposed new DPPP

26. One objection and one expression of support was received; concerns were received over delivery drivers and visitors not being able to park in the road, as well as driveways being obstructed; it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place, locating the DPPP so as not to obstruct adjacent drives.

Banbury - Withycombe Drive: proposed new DPPP

27. One expression of concern was received; there is already an unused DPPP in the road, there are no parking issues, another DPPP would take away a place for everyone to park, it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place and advertise the existing DPPP for removal.

Banbury - Woodgreen Avenue: proposed new DPPP

28. One objection was received; lack of parking places is an issue in this part of the road, given that the applicant already parks here, it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place.

Bicester - Blake Road: proposed new DPPP

29. One expression of concern was received; parking is very limited, commuters and shoppers park in the road; given that the applicant already parks in this location, it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place.

Bicester - Hertford Close: proposed new DPPP

30. One objection was received; none of the residents need a DPPP, given that the applicant reached the criteria for a DPPP, it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place.

Bicester - Leach Road: proposed new DPPP

31. One expression of support and two expressions of concern was received; the location is not suitable, the road is very busy, speeding is an issue, there is no need for a DPPP; given that the applicant already parks in this location, it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place.

Bicester - Wear Road: proposed new DPPP

32. Six objections and one expression of concern was received; parking is at a premium with no places available most of the time, there are no residents with disabilities; given that the applicant reached the criteria for a DPPP and already parks in the road, it is recommended to approve the disabled parking places.

Bloxham - Little Green: proposed new DPPP

33. Two objections and two expressions of concern was received; parking is an issue, the roads are narrow, it appears that no residents have a disability; given that the applicant reached the criteria for a DPPP and already parks at the location, it is recommended to approve the disabled parking places.

Chesterton - Orchard Rise: proposed new DPPP

34. One objection, one expression of concern and one expression of support was received; concerns were received over the proposed location in the layby, parking is an issue with cars parking on paths and verges throughout the day; given that the applicant has agreed the location would be suitable and would park at this location, it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place.

Chipping Norton - Cornish Road: proposed new DPPP

35. Two expression of concern was received; concerns were received over the proposed location; given that the applicant has requested this location, is it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place.

Chipping Norton – Hailey Road: proposed removal of two DPPP's

36. One expression of support was received; the applicants no longer require disabled parking places; it is recommended to approve the removal of the disabled parking places.

Chipping Norton - Walterbush Road: proposed new DPPP

37. One objection was received; grass verges should be turned into parking areas instead of providing DPPP's; there are no plans to remove grass verges to create more parking in this area at this current time, it is recommended to approve the disabled parking places.

Deddington - Church Street: proposed new DPPP

38. One objection was received; concerns were received over the proposed location of the DPPP outside a residential property, it is recommended to not approve the disabled parking place and look at a more suitable location closer to the retail premises.

Enstone - Cleveley Court: proposed new DPPP

39. One expression of support was received; a DPPP would be beneficial as parking is a real issue; it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place.

Eynsham - Merton Close: proposed new DPPP

40. Four objections were received; concerns over road safety issues with the applicant's vehicle being a high sided van and obscuring the view for vehicles; further road safety investigations were carried by Officers on site, and no issues were raised, it is therefore recommended to approve the disabled parking place.

Eynsham - Saywell Crescent: proposed new DPPP

41. One objection and one expression of support was received; there is parking available behind the property; given that the applicant is unable to use the parking, it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place.

Kidlington – Honor Close: proposed removal of DPPP

42. One objection to the removal was received; the DPPP is still needed and used by a resident for their children who are blue badge holders; it is recommended to not approve the removal of the disabled parking place.

<u>Kidlington – Marlborough Avenue</u>: proposed new DPPP

43. One expression of concern was received; parking is always difficult, please ensure the DPPP is located in such a way that it respects how others park; it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place with Officers to take into consideration how other vehicles are parking, so a further parking place is not lost.

Kirtlington - North Green: proposed new DPPP

44. Eight objections (including the Parish council), one expression of concern and one expression of support was received; parking is very limited in the area around the green, concerns over the DPPP causing reduced road width and poor visibility from nearby accesses, concerns were also raised over the need of a DPPP; given that vehicles already park in this location and that the applicant reaches the criteria for a DPPP, it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place, taking in to account the nature of traffic using the road, the overall carriageway width. Officers could consider providing a narrower DPPP than the recommended dimensions.

<u>Kirtlington – Troy Lane</u>: proposed new DPPP

45. One expression of support was received; it is recommended to approve the disabled parking place.

Upper Arncott - The Village Close: proposed new DPPP

46. Eight objections were received; parking is available to the rear of the property and is used by the applicant, the applicants house has recently been put on the market; it is therefore recommended to not approve the disabled parking place at this time.

Witney - Mill Farm Lane: proposed new DPPP

47. One objection was received; the applicant has informed us that the DPPP is no longer required, it is recommended to not approve the disabled parking place.

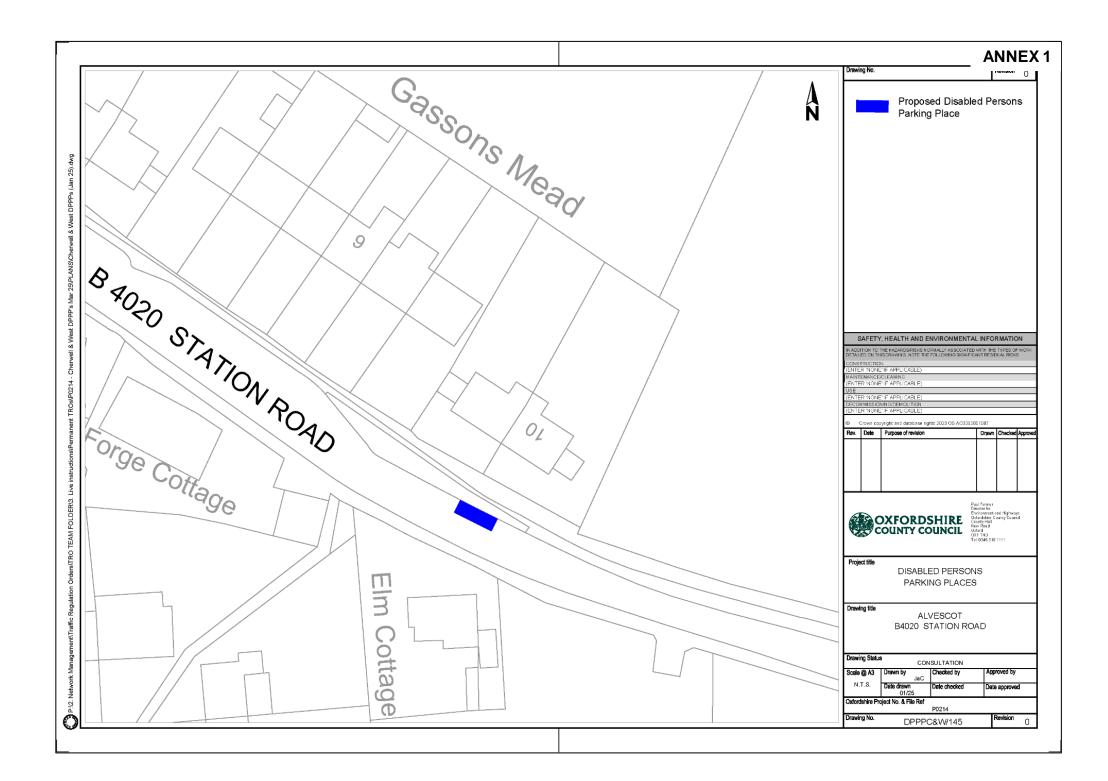
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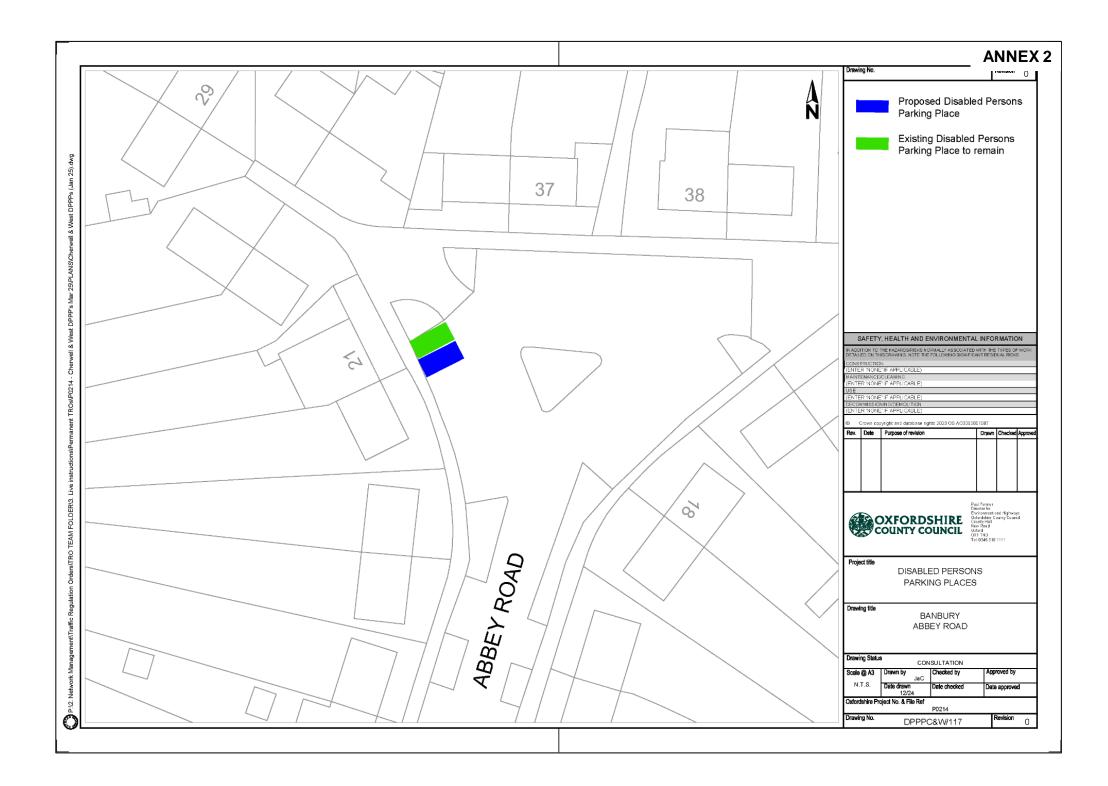
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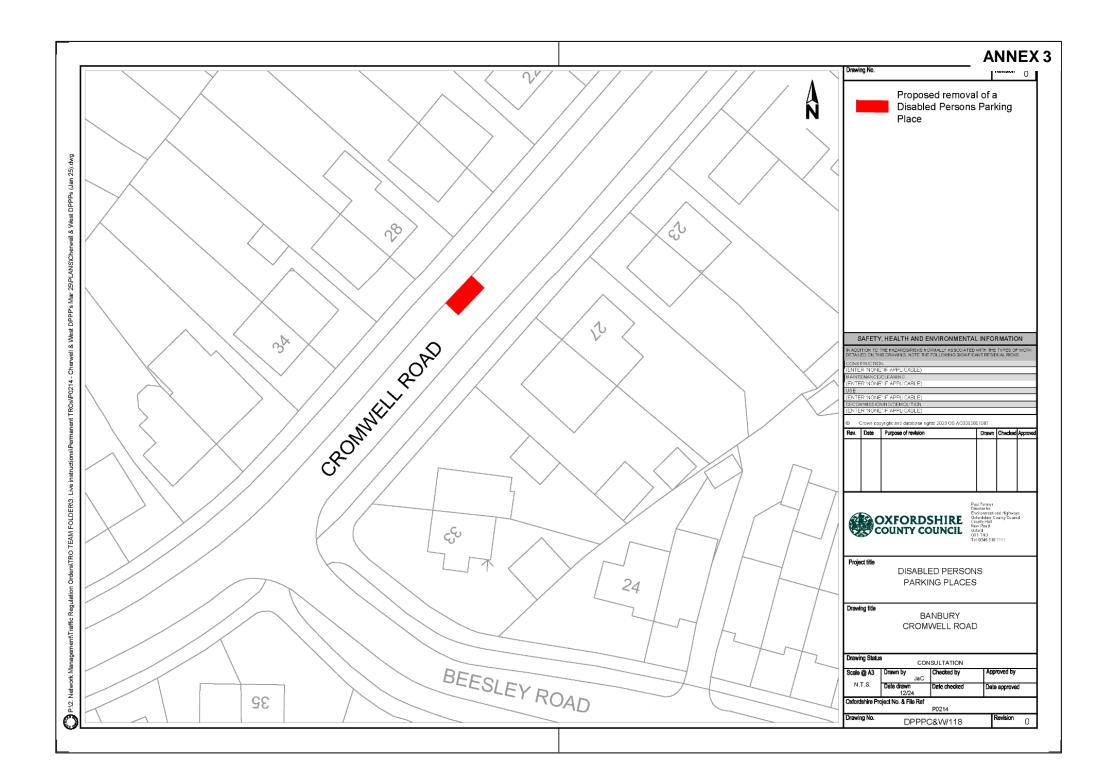
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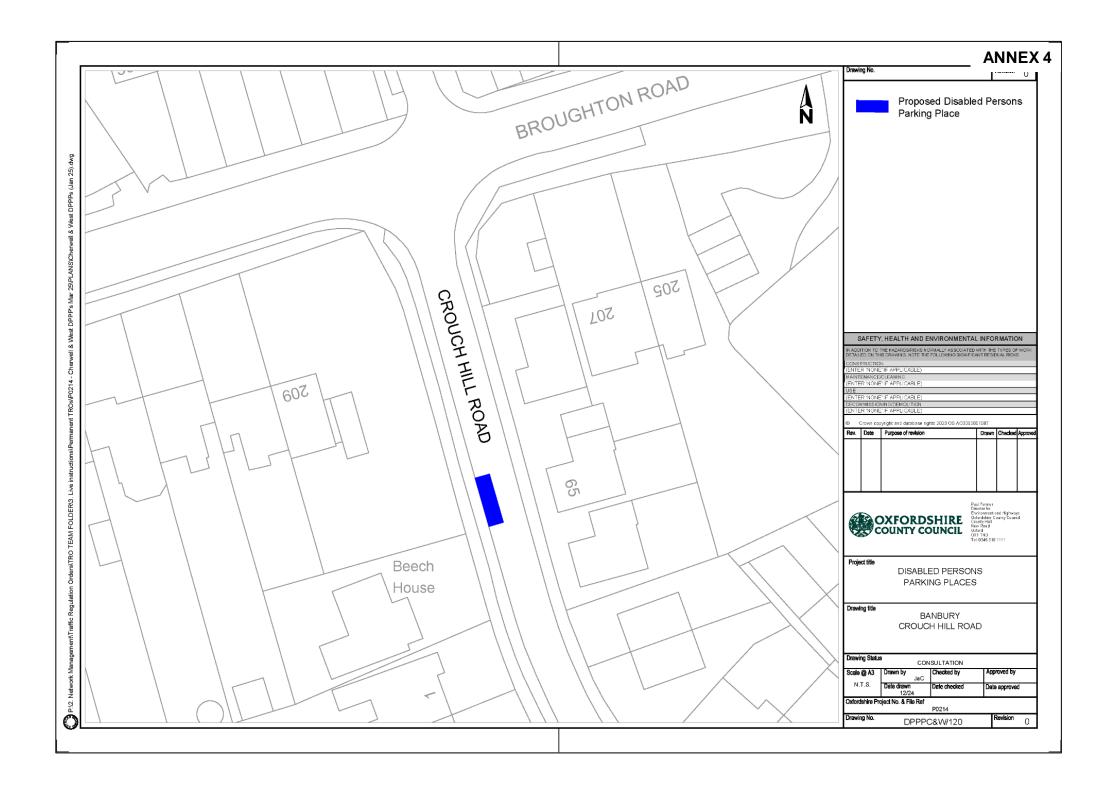
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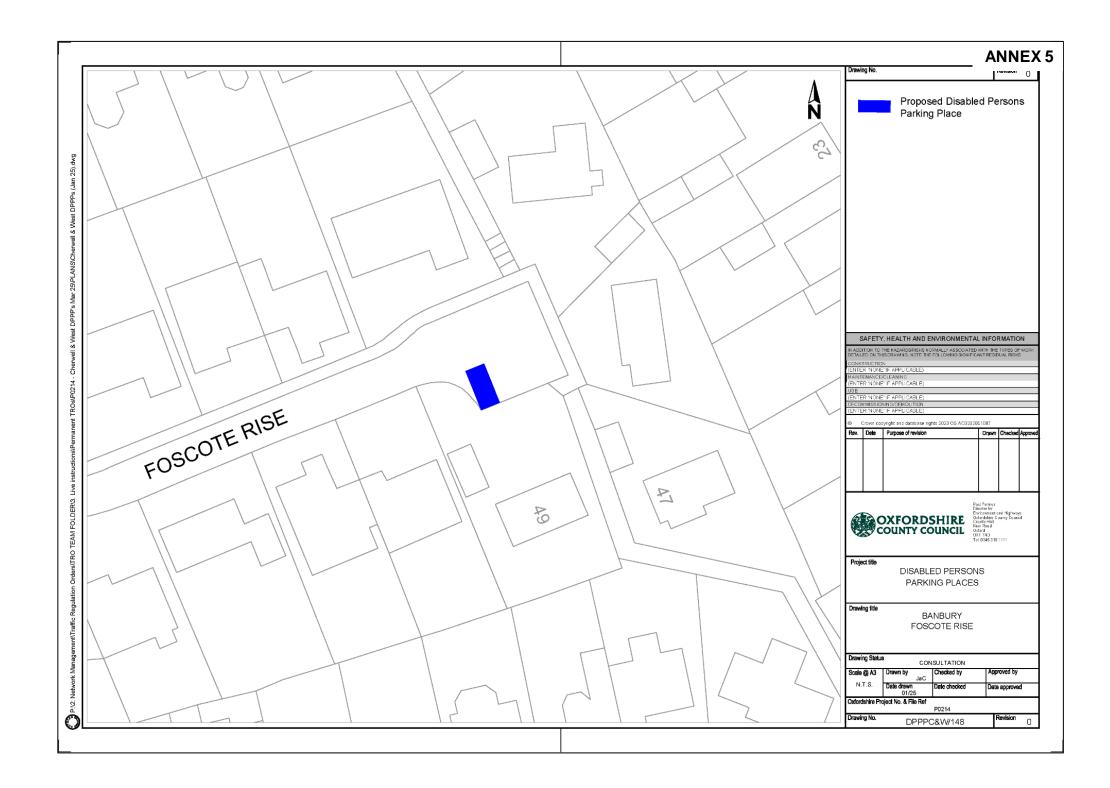
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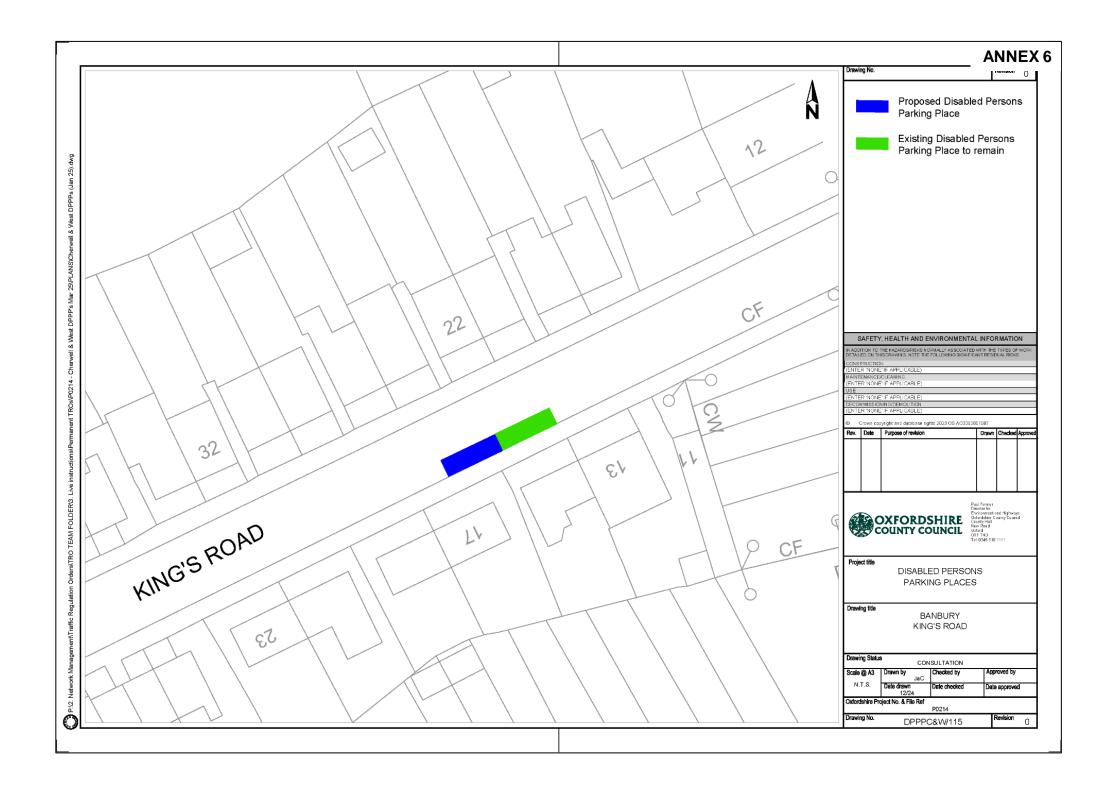


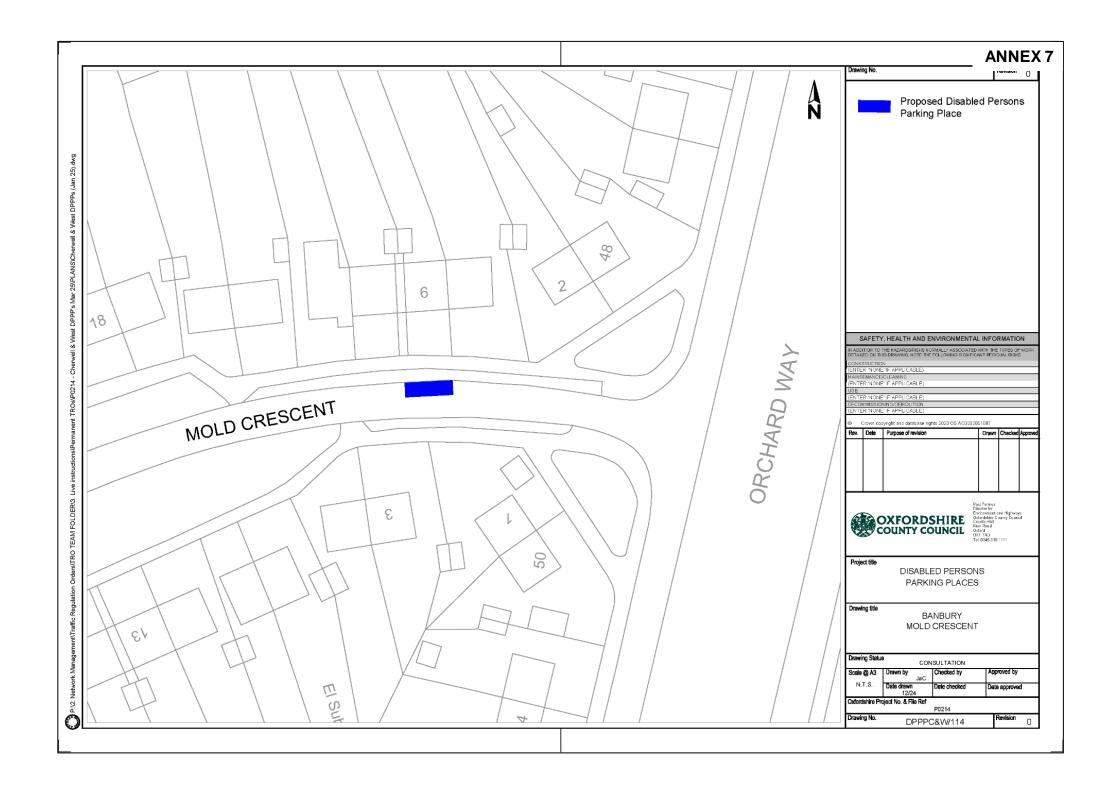


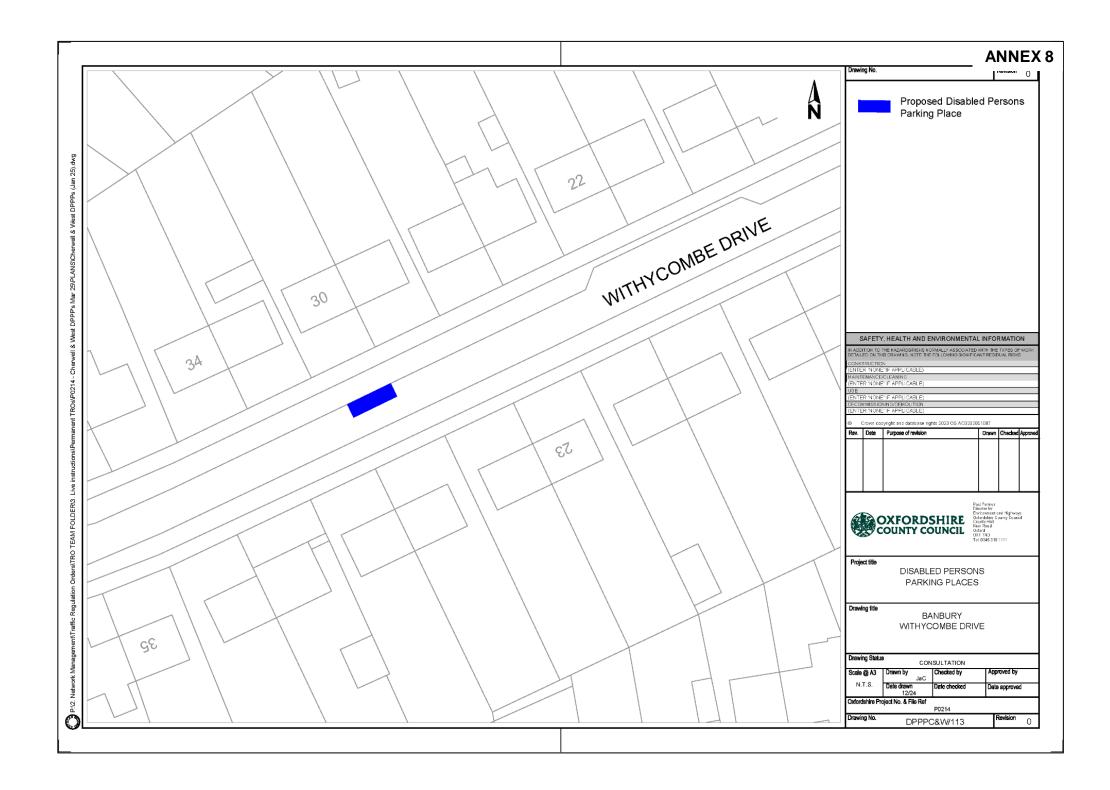


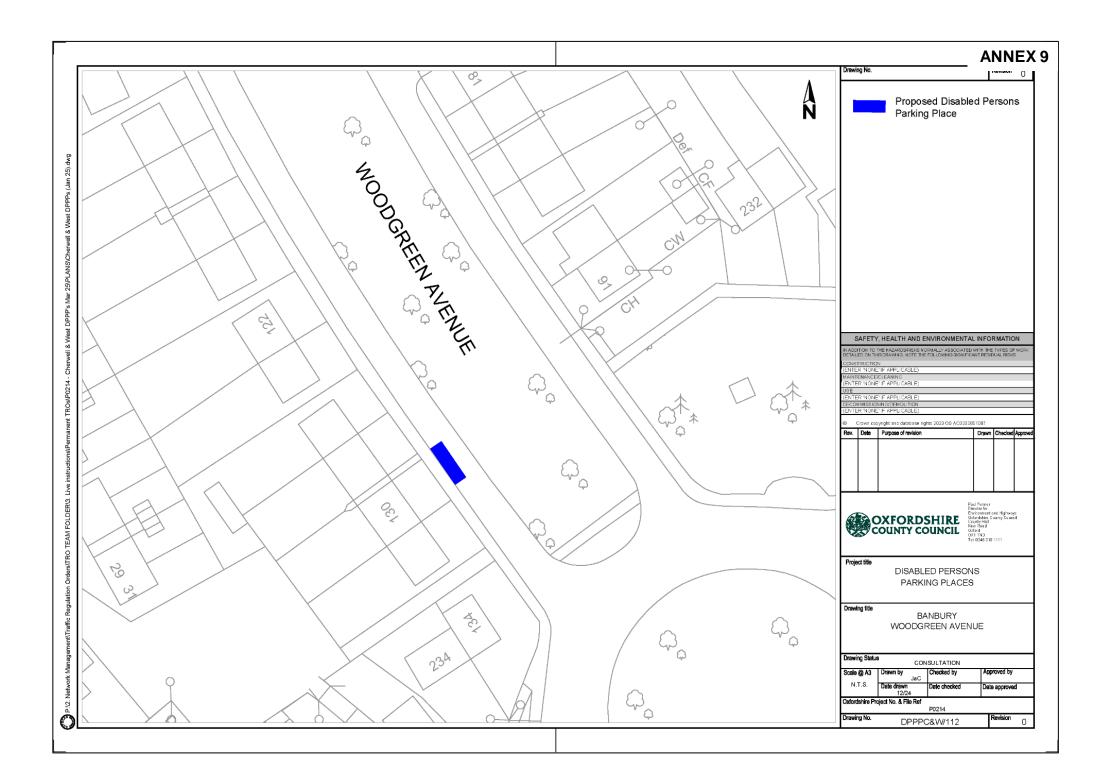


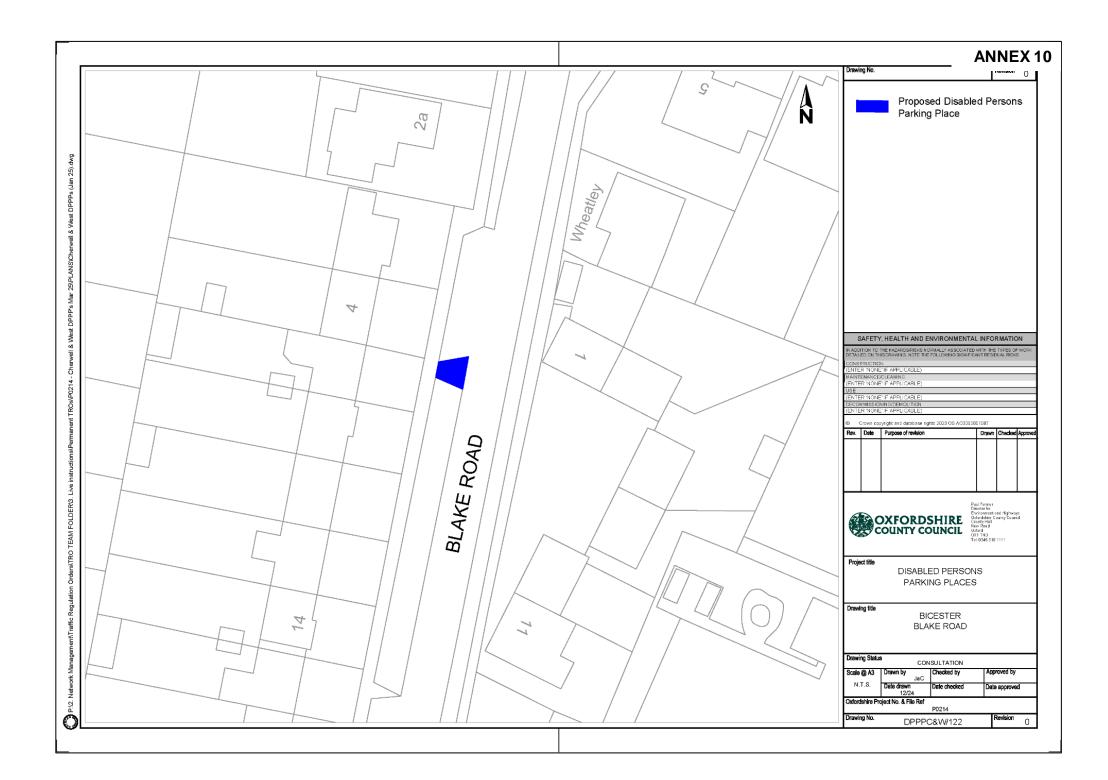


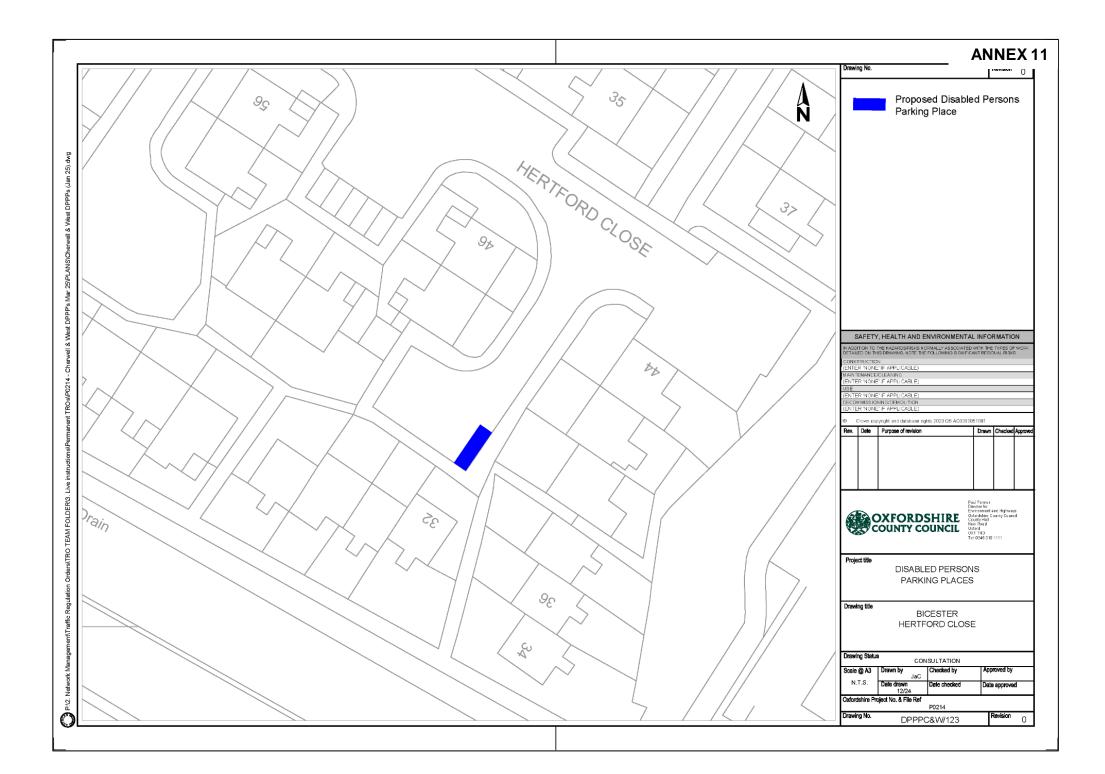


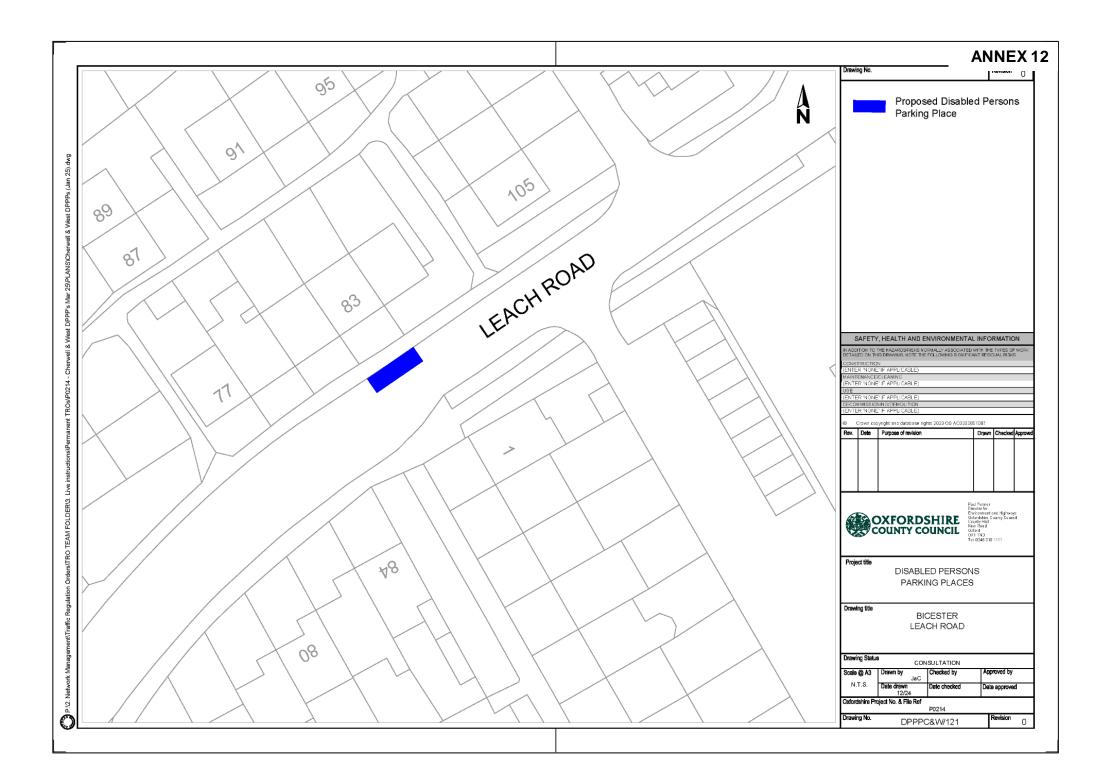


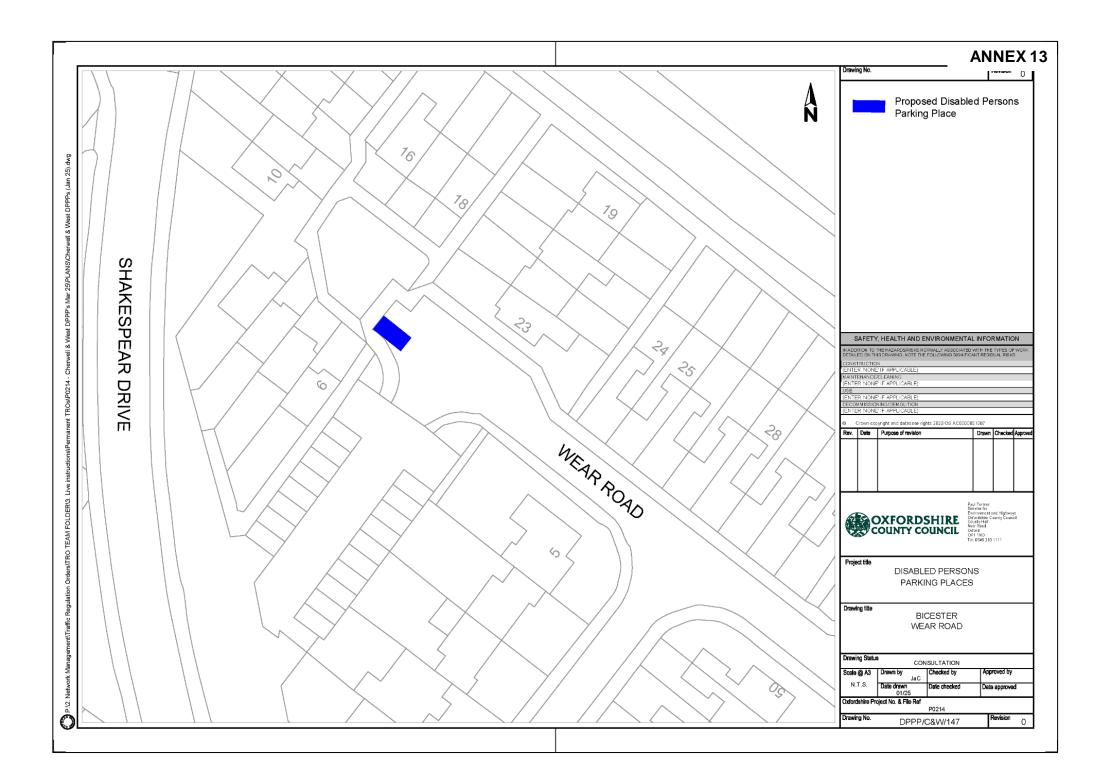


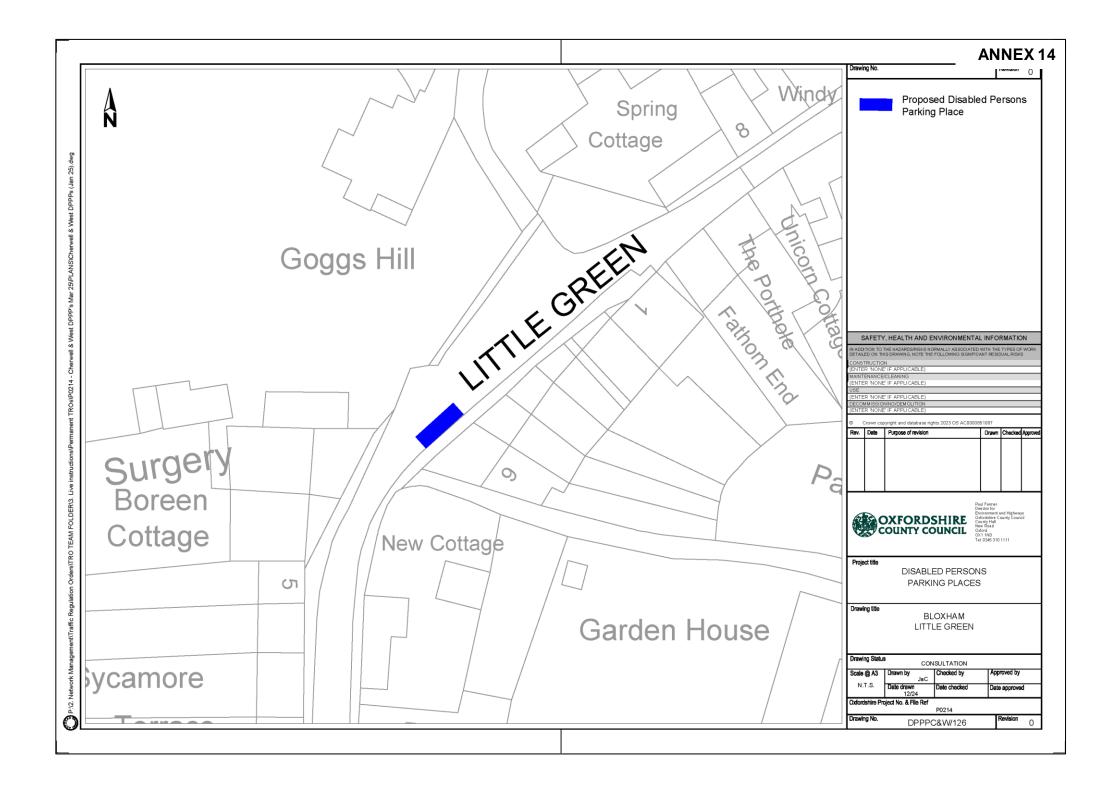


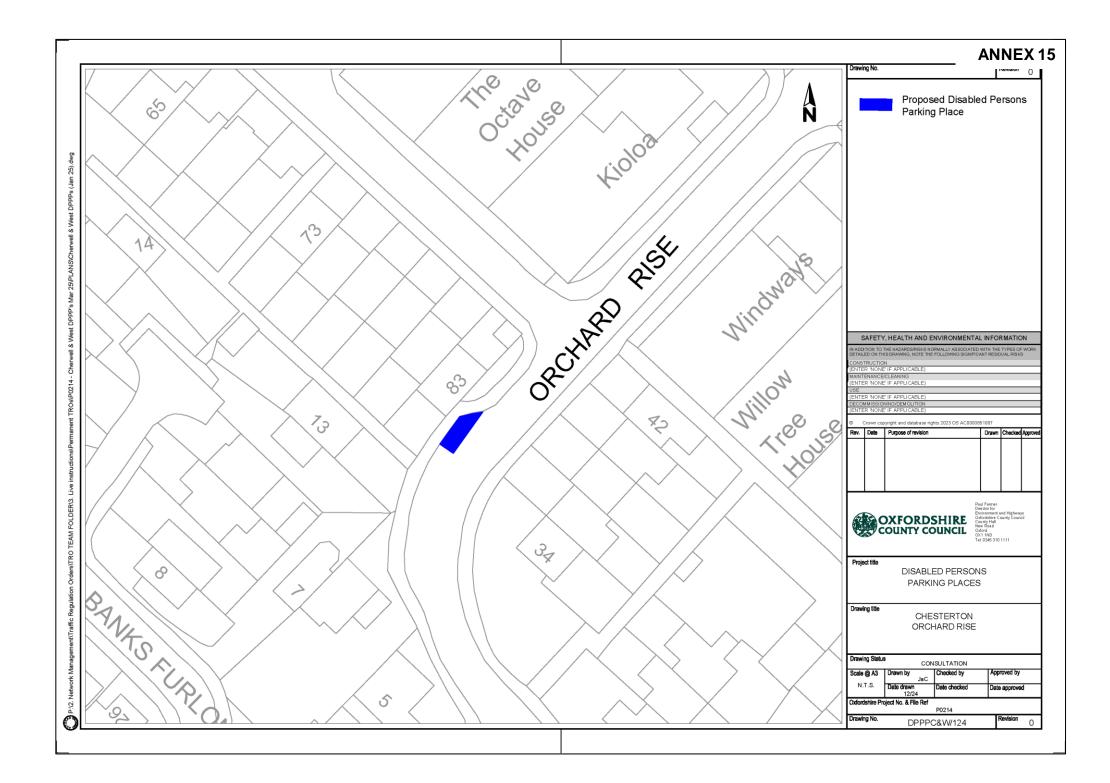


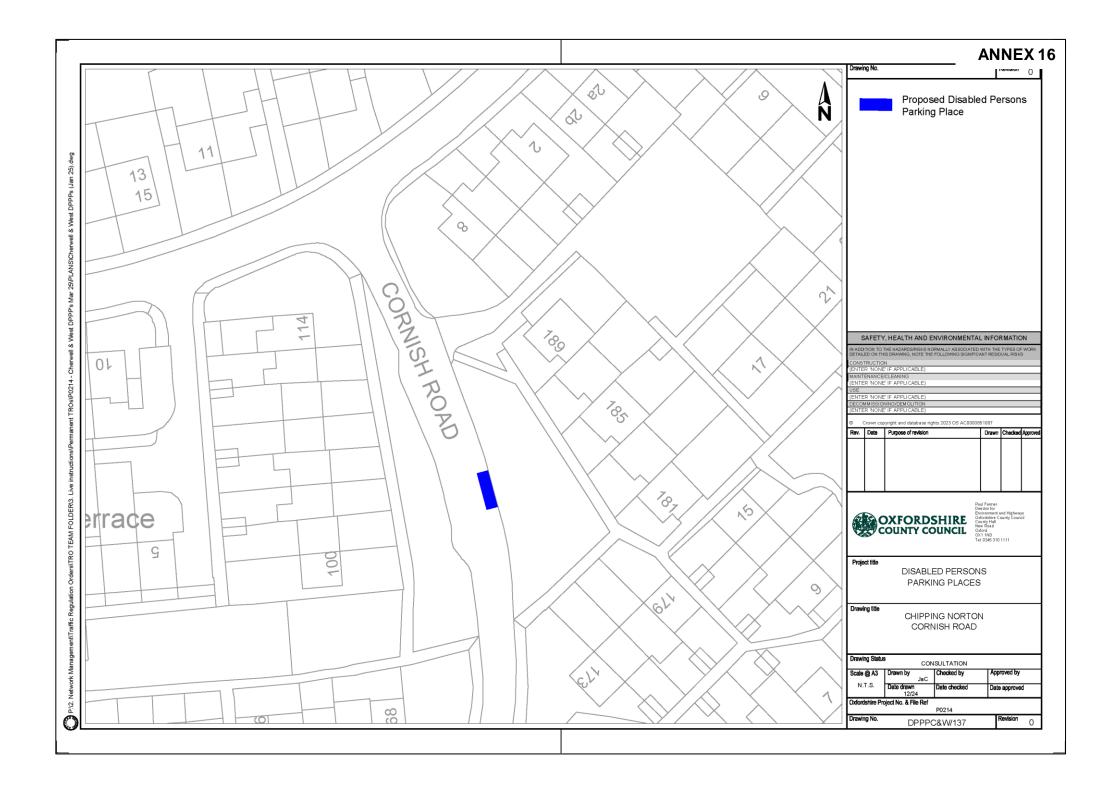


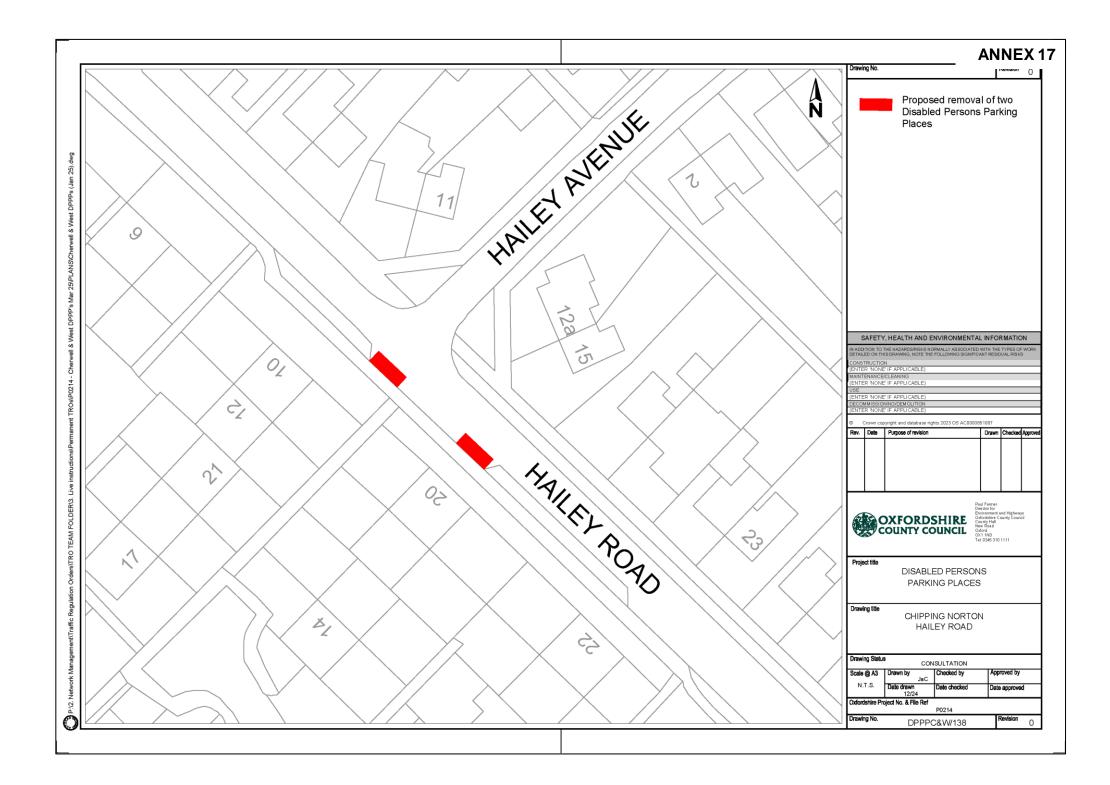


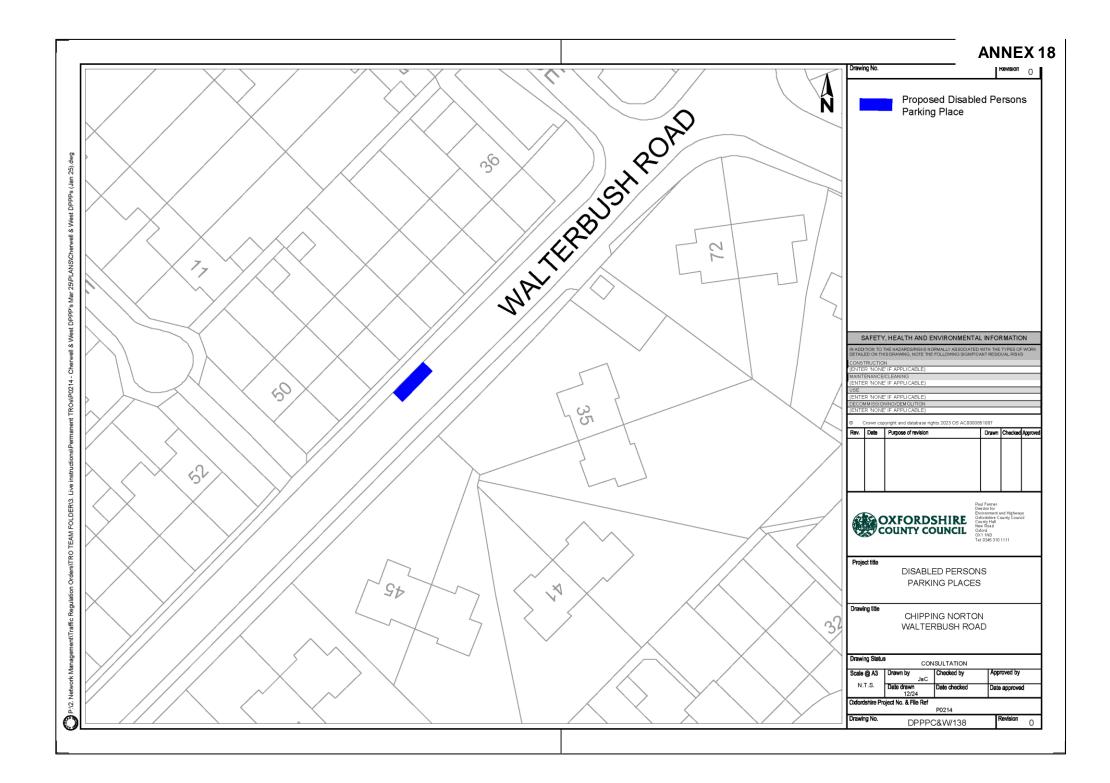


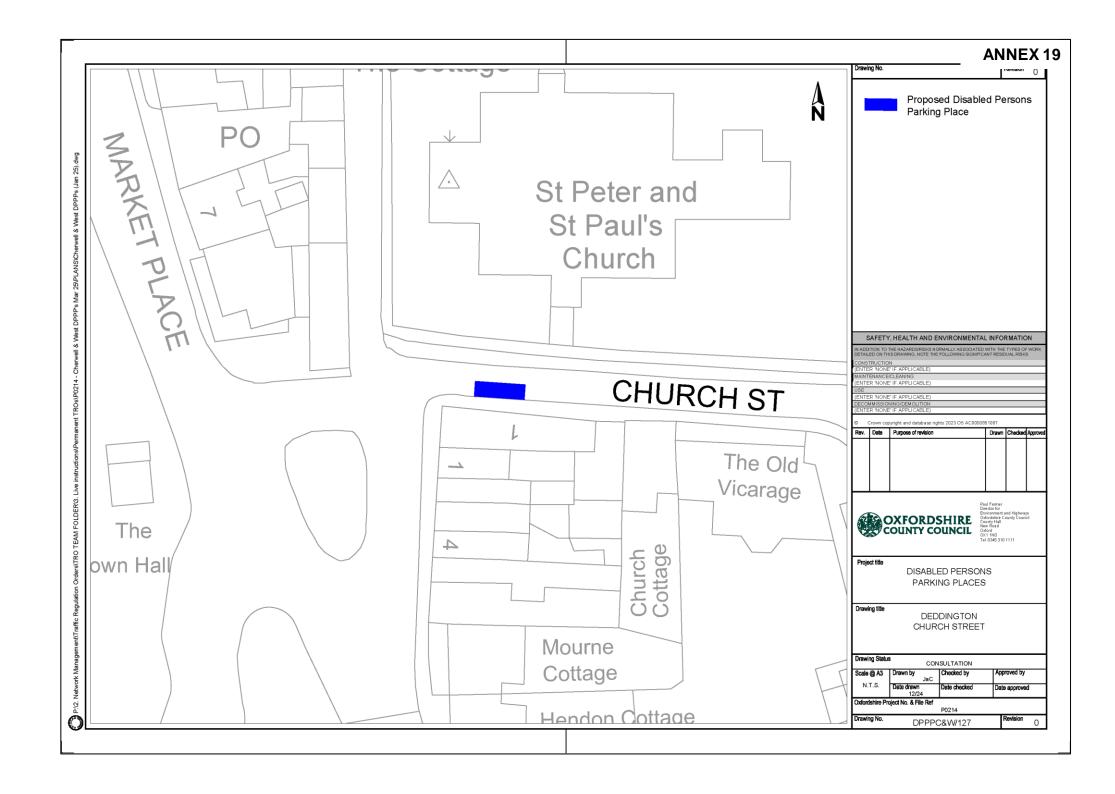


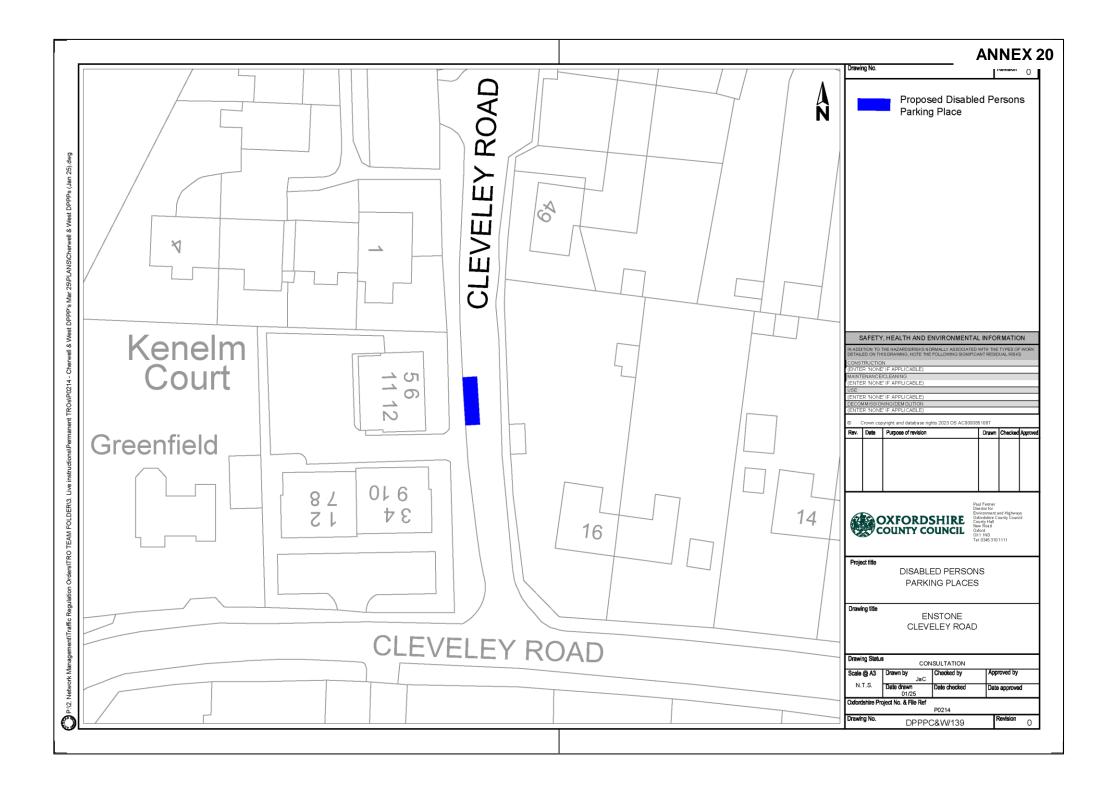


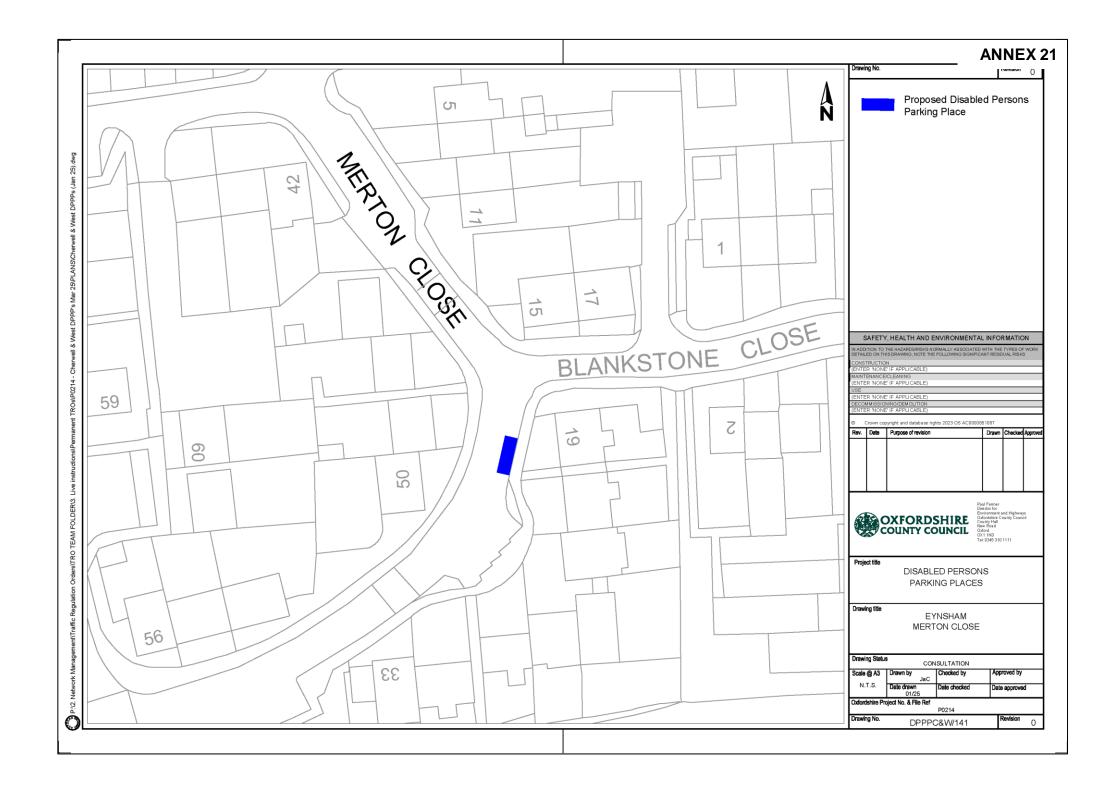


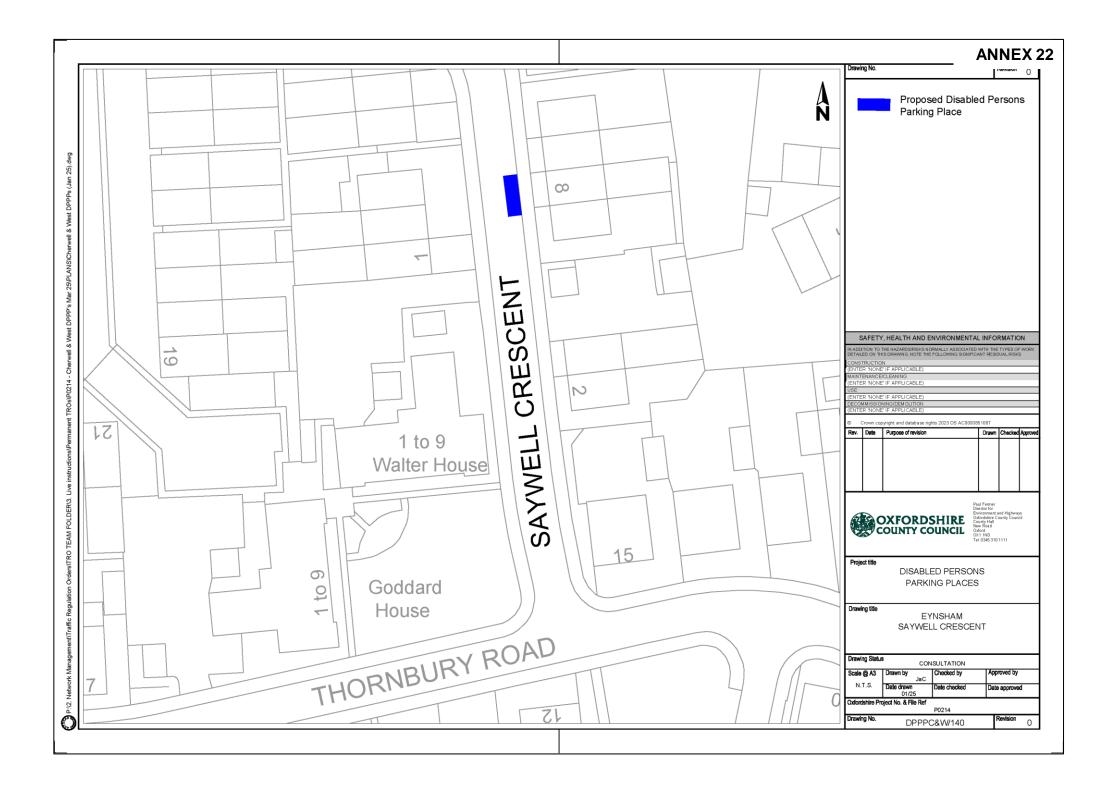


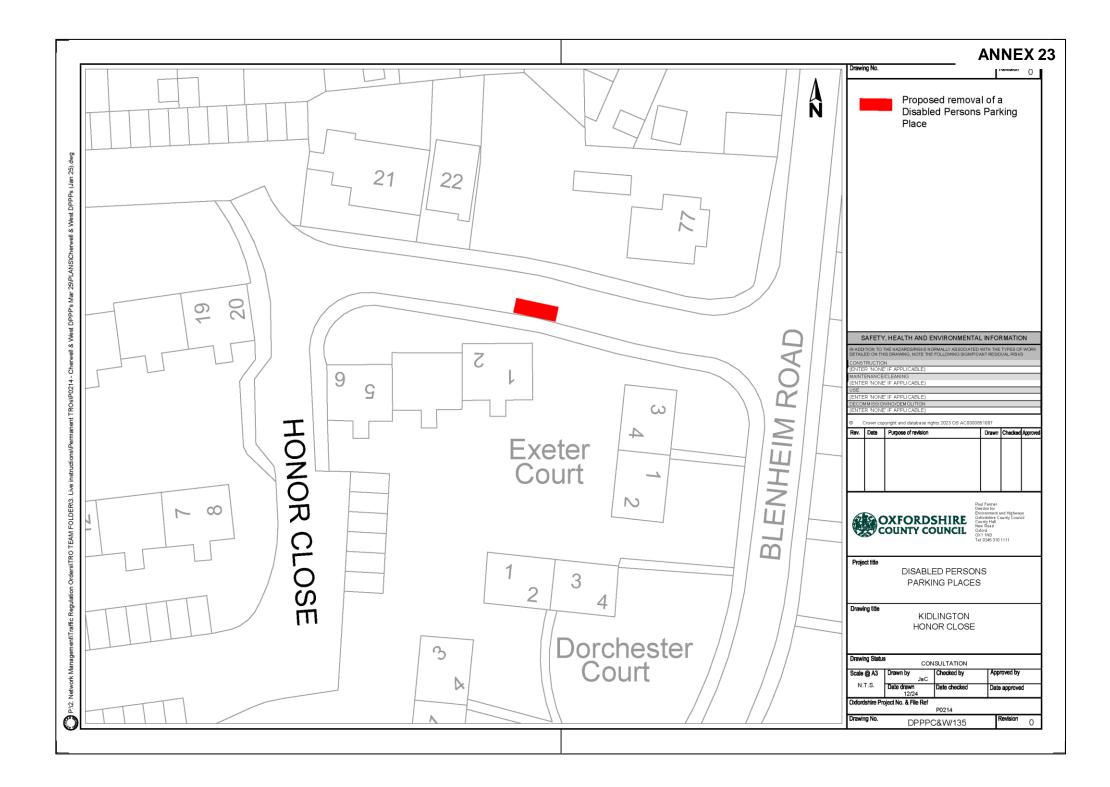


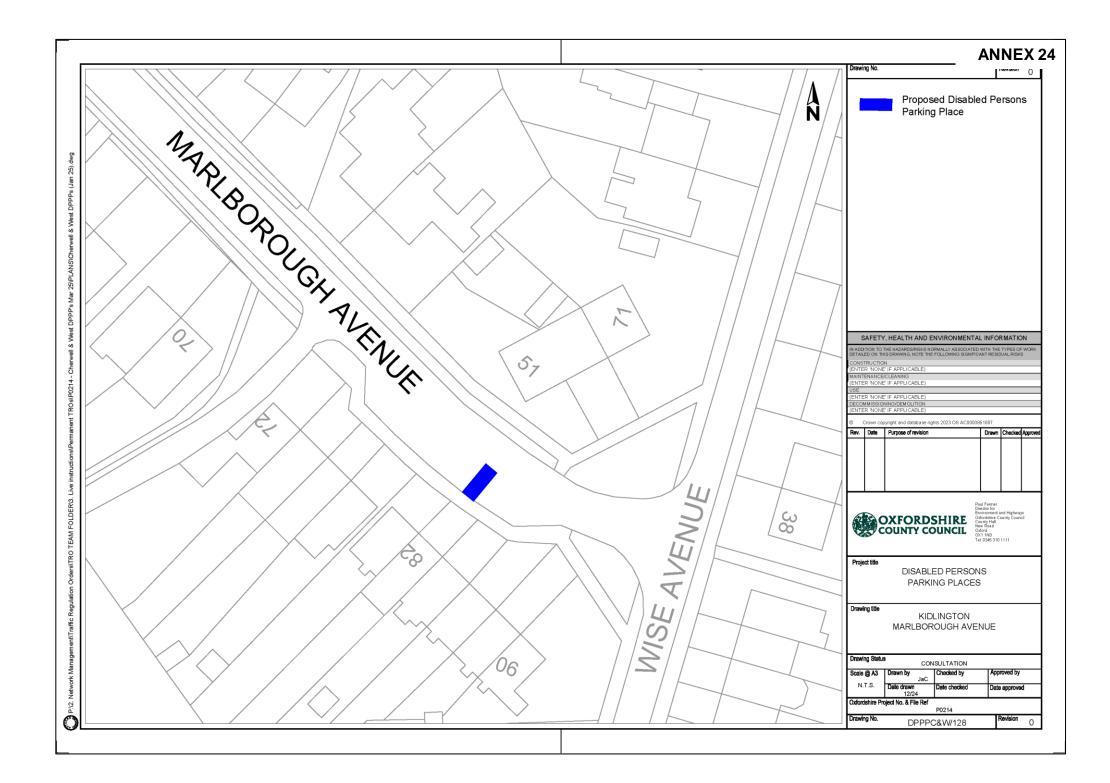


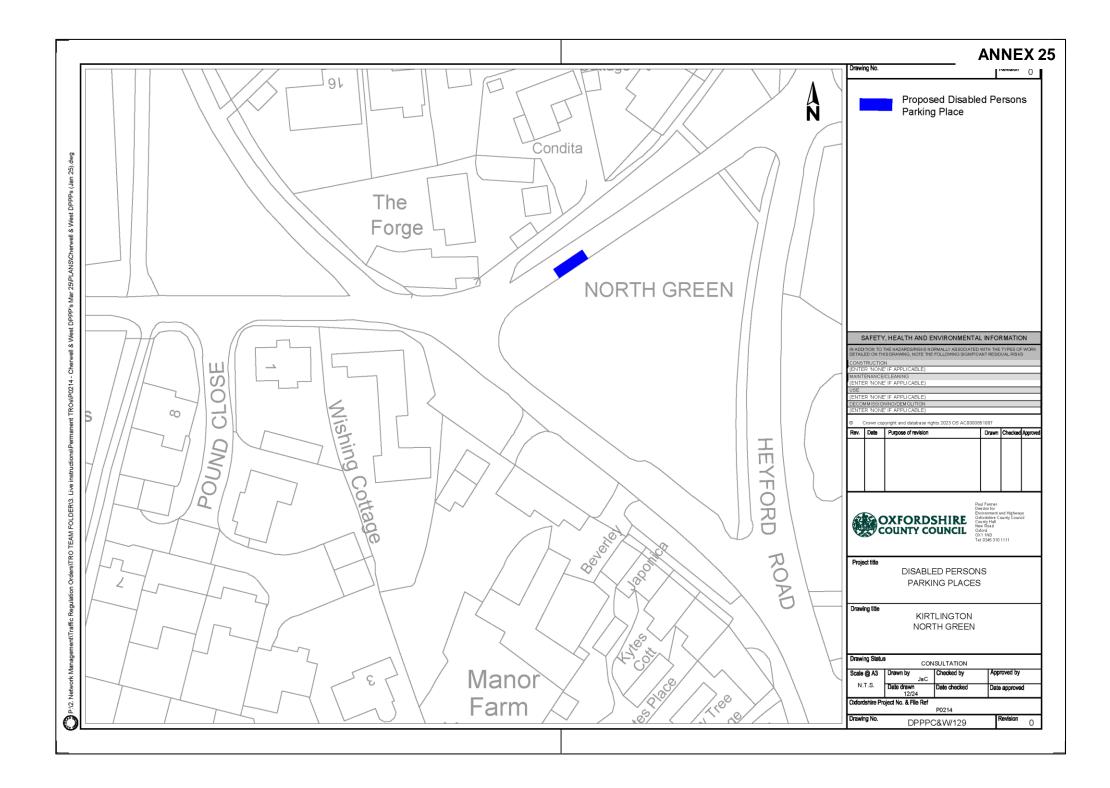


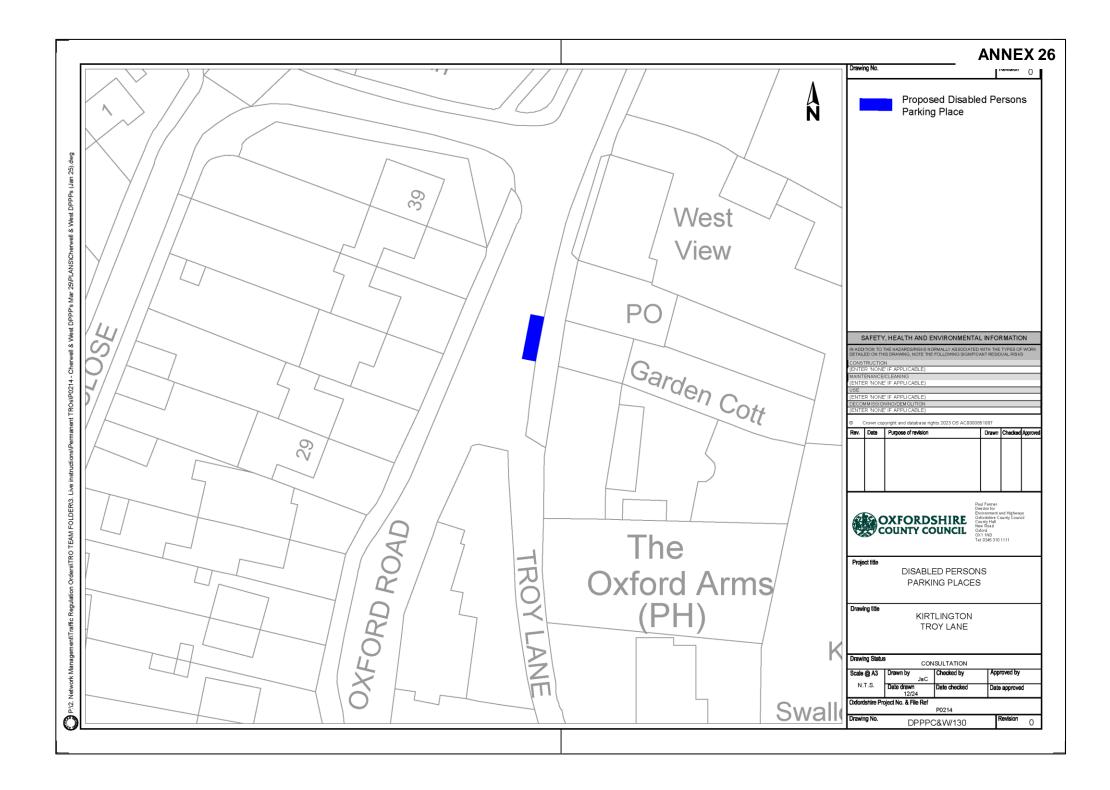


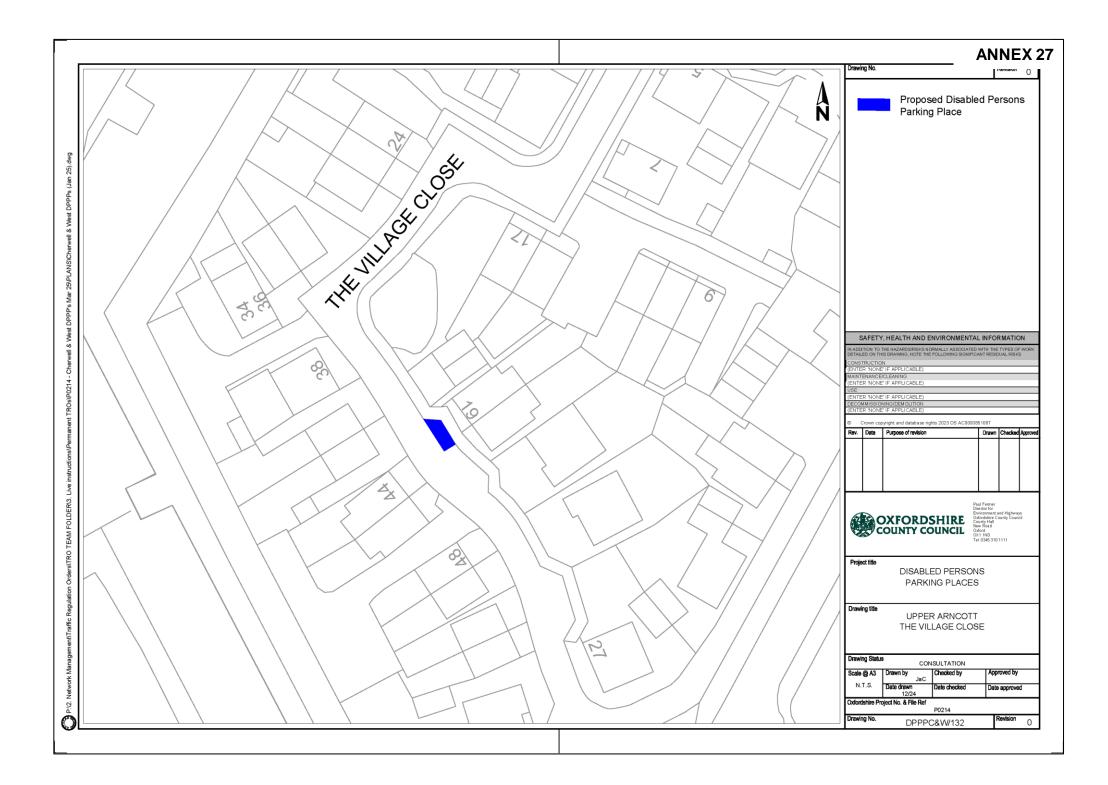


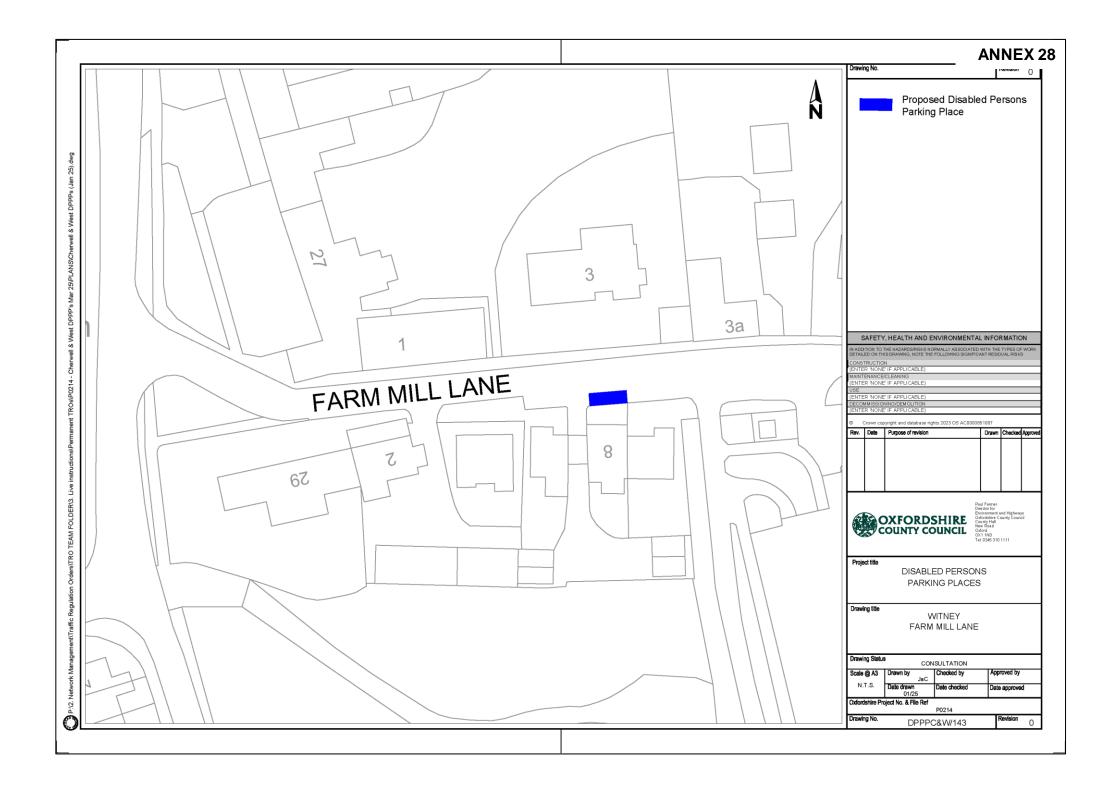












RESPONDENT	SUMMARISED COMMENTS
(a) Traffic Management Officer, (Thames Valley Police)	No objection
	Kirtlington Parish Council (KPC) supports OCC's initiatives to provide appropriate parking for disabled persons with mobility needs. KPC has therefore adopted the following two criteria as policy for considering all applications for disabled parking spaces in Kirtlington:
	 Is there a need for the disabled parking space requested. (Either at a relevant person's home or for access to an amenity)? Is the location requested for the disabled parking space safe and suitable for a disabled parking space?
	KPC has applied these criteria to the two current applications in Kirtlington as below:
(b) Kirtlington Parish Council	Garden Cottage (New application) Need? Yes. The applicant is nearly 85 years of age, is registered disabled on health and mobility grounds and has a blue badge. His wife drives him everywhere as DVLA has refused him a licence on health grounds for some years. The space requested is directly in front of his home, which is next door to the Oxford Arms where there is regular competition for parking with customers visiting the pub. The village bus also uses this parking area. Safe, suitable location? Yes. The road in the location requested is wide enough for a disabled space. There is a wide pavement at the roadside here for safe boarding of a vehicle by a disabled person without stepping into the road. The location is not in the village conservation area (although it is only just on the outside edge of it) so harm to local rural character here is low.
	Conclusion: KPC supports the application at Garden Cottage.
	North Green (Repeat application for North Green. Different location from application previously refused by OCC and to which KPC objected) Need? Unknown. No amenities nearby. No known need at a relevant person's home.

	Safe, suitable location? No. The road in this location is too narrow to accommodate a disabled parking space. There is no pavement at the roadside for safe boarding of a vehicle by a disabled person without stepping into the road. Parked cars along this side of the Green reduce all traffic to a single lane for both directions. The location is an unsafe exposed corner of the Green directly opposite the wide access gate to the farmyard at 'The Forge'. (Farm currently unoccupied following owner's death). North Green is in the village conservation area and, to preserve its rural character, the Green and its verges have no kerbs and there are no road markings. Conclusion: KPC objects to the application at North Green.
Station Road (Alvescot)	- Proposed new DPPP
(1) Local Resident, (Alvescot)	Object (Station Road) – We welcome the proposal to provide parking for those with a permanent or substantial disability but see the actual positioning of the proposed bay is critical to road and pedestrian safety. The DPPP is positioned on the B4020 Station Road where all other parking places are set back, off the highway. The DPPP when a vehicle is parked there, will cause an obstruction to traffic and will significantly increase the risk of a Road Traffic Accident (RTA). The DPPP, when a vehicle is parked there, will cause an obstruction to cars turning into the driveway of Elm Cottage, therefore increasing the risk of an RTA. The DPPP will also impact pedestrians. A parked car in this location will increase the risk of an RTA. In particular, those pedestrians using this route are Primary School Children walking between St Peter's CofE School and residences in the eastern part of the village. Move the DPPP 10-15 metres east, along the B4020. Ideally, set back off the highway and on the verge / roadside. With some sensible design, the DPPP could sit off the highway and create a natural 'end' to the footpath in front of Gassons Mead.
(2) Local Resident, (Alvescot)	Support (Station Road) - We have no objection to this as long as it stops the obstruction of the Footpath that parking at present is causing.
Abbey Road (Banbury) -	Proposed new DPPP
(3) Local Resident, (Banbury)	Object (Abbey Road) – the proposed bay will be alongside an existing bay, so will serve no realistic purpose as a disabled bay as vehicles either side of the bay prevent disabled access. Local parking is problematic and two bays for the same household seems unnecessary.

(4) Local Resident, (Banbury)	Object (Abbey Road) – the reason for my objection is that there is no need for another disabled parking space as it is only one household that uses the current one. There is no room to have another disabled parking space next to an existing disabled parking space, not only that there is limited parking down here as it is. This will make it harder for other residents to park within the distance of their homes. It is not needed.
Cromwell Road (Banbury	v) - Proposed removal of a DPPP
(5) Local Resident, (Banbury)	Support (Cromwell Road - Removal) - Since this disabled spot has been in place people have been parking on what was the grass now mud and it make the street messy and dangerous for people on 2 wheels. Furthermore, i have not seen it used at all.
Crouch Hill Road (Banbu	ry) - Proposed new DPPP
(6) Local Resident, (Banbury)	Concerns (Crouch Hill Road) –Your diagram i.e. map is incorrect. I do not want the bay opposite. I am also not sure why a disabled parking space is required as each of our houses has a driveway.
Foscote Rise (Banbury)-	- Proposed new DPPP
(7) Local Resident, (Banbury)	Object (Foscote Rise) – I do not see why this is needed by the resident who drives the car as her drive is next to where you are proposing the disabled bay. She does not use her drive out of choice rather than necessity. I believe this would have been requested on grounds of her husband; however he is able to and has used the drive to get out of the car and walk into his house on occasion the applicant has not been able to park in the spot she prefers. Parking has always been an issue in this road due to some of the neighbours choosing to keep their drives vacant and parking on the road.
(8) Local Resident, (Banbury)	Object (Foscote Rise) – I object to this proposed disabled parking space because it will be next to the property owner's drive. There is no need for this space when they have a drive that can be used.

(9) Local Resident, (Banbury)	Object (Foscote Rise) – The person who is requesting the disabled parking has a driveway adjacent to the requested spot which they do not use, and parking is already difficult in the close.
(10) Local Resident, (Banbury)	Concerns (Foscote Rise) - I am emailing with some concerns for the disabled parking space that has been requested by a resident in the street. I just want to make it clear from the outset I'm not against any resident from having a dedicated disabled space but in this instance I'm struggling to understand how it would benefit them when the unused drive they have seems to be a much safer option.
	My first concern is we have a number of households that have spaces on their drives for their cars but choose to park on the street, unfortunately this seems to be done out of spite towards other residents. Fortunately, we are not involved in this childish behaviour but have seen firsthand the arguments and had the police visit the street due to this situation. Many households have more than one vehicle these days and find it extremely hard to park safely in the street due to the actions of a few.
	My seconded concern, which I previously touched on is the location on the proposed disabled space, this would block the pathway leading to the residents front door, which means the disabled gentleman would have to walk across a grassed area to access the pathway.
	If all of the consideration mentioned above have been covered and the council are satisfied then I have no issues, however i do feel these points mentioned need to be addressed as it seems this is a reason to reserve a parking space in a street which resembles a car park most days rather than a benefit to her disabled husband.
(11) Local Resident, (Banbury)	Support (Foscote Rise) - I wish to express my full support as presently there is no provision for this in Foscote Rise.
	However, when disabled with mobility and other health issues, level access to their nearest pathway is required even though a driveway may be available. Owing to the large number of cars and vans parked on the highway, this is not always possible as a disabled person needs to have the passenger door fully open to alight to enable assistance from their carer. Unfortunately, cars parked alongside, park too close and there is insufficient space to receive assistance from a carer and use any mobility equipment to access the nearest pathway. There is also no pavement and access across the grassed areas are unsuitable for people with limited mobility.

(12) Local Resident, (Banbury)	Support (Foscote Rise) - I fully support the proposal for a disabled parking place outside number 49 Foscote Rise. It would enable the disabled gentleman to access his pathway safely without fear of falling.
Kings Road (Banbury) – F	Proposed new DPPP
(13) Local Resident, (Banbury)	Objection (Kings Road) - I'm unsure why we need another disabled parking bay? The one outside number 13 is rarely used, I'm surprised this was allowed to go ahead, when they are a two person household with one car and a driveway. There was absolutely no need for the household to have a disabled bay so I'm unsure why there would be another one needed next door for a family that doesn't even own/have use of a vehicle? Parking is already an issue in this area, this will compound the problem. I'm emailing as the link included in your letter does not work, but please accept this email as an objection.
Mold Crescent (Banbury)	- Proposed new DPPP
(14) Local Resident, (Banbury)	Object (Mold Crescent) - We have received the new proposal for the disabled bay, we have a few concerns. If you were to place it where you intend to, this would leave no space for delivery drivers to park and people visiting to park as this is the last space available on a first come basis and this will also lead to delivery drivers and other people parking and blocking our drives, so I am against the proposal. As you are aware of how difficult it is to park on this road and if you place a disabled bay this will take away another place to park for everyone else.
(15) Local Resident, (Banbury)	Support (Mold Crescent) - I have received a letter for the proposed disabled person parking place in the front of my house. I am fine with this, but can you please confirm if the space will be put in the middle of where the grass bit is? I only ask because if this is put right to where my drop curb is it is then difficult trying to get my car on and off my drive. There is not enough room there for two cars to park so feel if it is in the middle will give enough room for myself to get on/off my drive and also my next-door neighbour at number 6. I will attach a photo of how a car is now parked there which is fine because it is in the middle so has left room for me to be able to get out. I hope this doesn't sound like I'm being petty at all it's just if cars are too close to the drop curb, I end up having to reverse up the curb on the opposite side to avoid car/lampposts and I don't want to be doing that.

Withycombe Drive (Banbu	ıry) - Proposed new DPPP
(16) Local Resident, (Banbury)	Concerns (Withycombe Drive) - If this is supposed to be a public place for disabled people, I say it is unnecessary. We already have one such place on the street and I have never seen anyone park there. There is plenty of space for everyone to find a place for their car. Blocking the space only for disabled people will mean that no one will use this place, and now everyone can use it.
Woodgreen Avenue (Bank	oury) - Proposed new DPPP
(17) Local Resident, (Banbury)	Object (Woodgreen Avenue) - I live in the area of the proposed disabled bay and in this stretch road from the Broughton Road roundabout to the Bretch Hill junction, there is already 2 disabled spaces. There is no need for more disabled spaces in the area, the parking in this area is ridiculous already for non-badge holders do we really need to make it worse.
Blake Road (Bicester) - Pr	roposed new DPPP
(18) Local Resident, (Bicester)	Concerns (Blake Road) - I would like to raise a concern about limited parking spaces on Blake Road, and how much is affecting residents. We have few parking bays outside homes, people are taking an advantage of walking distance to the train station, local shops, nursery on Buckingham Road, Victoria House surgery. On a number of occasions, I had to ask people if they live here, and explained to them how rude it is to block a parking space, but they can park on Blake Road as residences are not protected and parking bays are not reserved for residents as they should be. This year we will be asking for planning permission to have a driveway done, I do not want any Disabled parking bay on my side of property and possibly of not be able to access my property. I'm caring for my 82 year old mother with epilepsy and my son on autistic spectrum disorder. The driveway way is essential for our existence.

Hertford Close (Bicester) -	Proposed new DPPP		
(19) Local Resident, (Bicester)	Object (Hertford Close) - They do not even have a car so why the bay, if it is for another person in the close they do not need a disabled bay as can walk perfectly well always out doing gardening even other people's so it's definitely not necessary we all have a problem parking round the close so it's unfair to give someone a bay when it's not needed at all.		
Leach Road (Bicester) - Pr	Leach Road (Bicester) - Proposed new DPPP		
(20) Local Resident, (Bicester)	Concerns (Leach Road) - The proposed site is both unnecessary and not suitable for disabled. Leach Road is a very fast, busy road which takes buses, lorries and school traffic. A more suitable site would be the two lay-bys in the area or the car park by the side of the allotments. There is no general need for a disabled bay but there are people who wish for a personal parking bay in a road where finding parking space is problematic.		
(21) Local Resident, (Bicester)	Concerns (Leach Road) — I agree there is a large increase in demand for parking along this road and an allocated disabled parking bay, for anyone with a blue badge, would help those that may need it. The proposed spot outside number 83 is not an ideal location for this. This part of the road is the most congested and busiest part of the whole of Leach Road. It is dangerous and cars often speed down without giving way causing wing mirrors to constantly be knocked off and putting traffic at a standstill in peak times. It is also a main busy route for the local town bus and double decker buses from Oxford. I have had my own car door wrapped round me when putting my daughter in her car seat when she was younger causing injury as the driver did not give way to oncoming traffic. My sister-in-law was also hit outside my property when getting back in her car and had her ribs broke due to the same reason. Therefore, I think a safer option would be to put an allocated disabled parking bay on the lay-by on the opposite side so that at least it would not be directly on the road.		

	Personally, this road is a death trap. Ideally a speed hump needs to be placed outside to slow people down as it is also on a slight bend so often people don't see what's coming. It is also used by most of the school children, primary and secondary, as it is the main journey to 3 of the local schools and 2 nurseries, sports centre and to the town centre. There is a large car parking area with garages that are hardly used. I'm pretty sure most of them are empty. It would be beneficial to knock these down which would create a huge amount of parking spaces for this entire street and free up the road to ease congestion and create more safety for people accessing their cars.
(22) Local Resident, (Bicester)	Support (Leach Road) – As a disabled driver living in this area, I would find this designated parking bay very useful. Just would like confirmation that any disabled driver could use this space.
Wear Road (Bicester) - F	Proposed new DPPP
(23) Local Resident, (Bicester)	Object (Wear Road) – Regarding the proposal for disabled parking in Wear Road Bicester, I object. My reason for this is that of an evening all spaces are already filled by the residents that live here. There is already a struggle to find parking on occasion. If you were to put this bay in place and no other places were available to the local residents, would that person be subject to a fine if this bay was used by them?
(24) Local Resident, (Bicester)	Object (Wear Road) – We already have a significant parking issue and the removal of a space for general use will further impact this issue. All residents have a garage which can be used to park your car in a block right next to houses. Additionally, there are no current residents displaying a disability badge and therefore indicating a need for this. I strongly object to this proposal for reasons stated.
(25) Local Resident, (Bicester)	Object (Wear Road) – There are already serious parking problems in Wear Road. Is the council fulfilling a quota or have they received information that a disabled place is required? Creating a disabled space which will not be used is totally unnecessary.
(26) Local Resident, (Bicester)	Object (Wear Road) – I strongly object to a disabled parking bay in Wear Road. I live in the area. At 81, I consider myself the only candidate for such a space at some stage in the future, but I am currently capable of walking my two dogs daily. Another gentleman is older than me, but he plays several rounds of golf every week. We are a friendly, helpful group who feel quite free to ask for help with garden maintenance or gutter clearance, as needed. We certainly do not need a disabled parking space which none of us would be entitled to use!

(27) Local Resident, (Bicester)	Object (Wear Road) – there currently isn't enough parking for all the residents as it is at the minute, so unless the space is to be used by a resident with a disability who needs the space every day, then this is a terrible idea and residents without disabilities will just park there anyway.
(28) Local Resident, (Bicester)	Object (Wear Road) – Nobody in the street has a disability that justifies having a personal parking spot, due to the volume of cars already in the street it's hard enough to find a place to park. Other residents living opposite are in total agreement, as are all the other neighbours I've spoken with.
(29) Local Resident, (Bicester)	Concerns (Wear Road) – I know of no-one that either lives or visits the area that uses / needs any walking aids, parking in the area is of a premium, and we really cannot afford to lose a valuable parking space on the off chance that a disabled person may visit. Yes, we all have garages, but most people nowadays don't use their garage for parking their vehicle in, because most people's cars are a lot bigger today and will not fit it their garage, so they have no option to park in the lay-bys noted on your diagram, which are nearly always full at any time of the day. If this is a legal requirement, then of course it will have to happen, but if it is not, then in this time of economic recession, I would have hoped our council tax money could be better spent.
Little Green (Bloxham) - F	Proposed new DPPP
(30) Local Resident (Bloxham)	Object (Little Green) – I received your letter regarding the proposed disabled person parking place on Little Green in Bloxham. We have lived here for almost ten years, in that time there has always been an issue with lack of parking in our area. This is mainly because not only residents of Little Green, park here, but also residents of Unicorn St and Kings Rd. Most families have two cars and therefore the parking we do have is used up quickly, particularly at weekends and when people have returned from work. I have been in a position a number of times where I have come back with my young children to find no parking and needing to hunt for a space elsewhere in Bloxham. I can only assume whoever has come up with the idea of the disabled bay here does not live locally and does not have any relevant experience of Little Green or they would know that such a place is not appropriate. A few years ago there was a disabled bay put into place for one of the residents of LG, it was a complete waste of council money because the young lady it was in place for promptly moved out of the property, we were then one space down with no one being able to utilise the space (as there were no residents that required it) until the council came and removed it. Looking at the residents of LG/US/KR there are no residents that require disabled parking, none have a badge, given that there is already not enough parking it would greatly have an impact on residents losing a space for a purpose that doesn't exist. Obviously, we all know that taxpayer's money is precious, I would believe this to be a waste of money given that we have zero disabled residents.

	Thank you for reading my reasons to oppose the proposed bay, I hope common sense will prevail.
	Object (Little Green) – Width of roadway. Proposed position on a blind bend. General layout/geography of the area. Existing severe lack of parking spaces/options for other residents. Previous application for parking in same location refused, alternative installation caused untold problems, effectively resulting in loss of several other parking spaces due to placement. Lack of notification to/consultation with all interested and affected parties. Parking in this area works 'as is' only with co-operation/consensus of all residents concerned. Vast majority of the time this ensures most are able to park outside their properties, or in their 'usual' spot. Having been notified by a neighbour of this application, and having completed the online questionnaire, I wanted to expand a little on the brief details given there. Road Safety - This is the second such application to add a disabled parking space in this location - albeit with different applicants. The previous application was rejected, largely, we understand, due to the proposed location on a blind bend, coming out of one of the narrowest parts of a road within the Conservation Area. Nothing whatsoever has changed. This remains a dangerous place to park, particularly for anyone with restricted mobility. Despite the 20mph limit, as a resident in this area for the past 33 years, I can confidently state that a considerable proportion of drivers pass through at greater speed.
(31) Local Resident (Bloxham)	Geography - The historic and unique geography of this area means only a very small proportion of properties have their own parking option. The road width is such that a number of properties don't even have a pavement onto which the residents themselves can step, let alone anywhere to park their vehicle(s). For many, parking in Little Green is the only realistic option, as the narrow streets in this part of Bloxham do not allow for much else.
	Parking hereabouts relies on co-operation/consensus of residents. It has largely worked very well over the years we have been here. Everyone does their best to park considerately, so that those fortunate enough to have road frontage are generally able to park immediately in front of their properties. The width of the road here, with parking both sides, means unless vehicles are parked at an angle to the pavement on the north side, vehicles parked behind them on the south side can (and have) prevented those on the north side being able to manoeuvre out. Some years ago, residents got together and agreed to park at an angle. Despite changes of residents over the years this continues to work well 99% of the time.
	Previous disabled bay - The only major 'blip' was when the original placement for the earlier application was rejected. The disabled bay was instead installed north side, at right angles to the verge. With side hatches, this effectively took out 2 of the precious spaces, as well as making life extremely difficult for anyone lucky enough to find an empty slot. The placement of the bay meant everyone had to park at the same right angle. With vehicles parked parallel along the

	south side, it became nigh on <i>impossible</i> to get out of those spaces, given the restricted width. This was NOT an efficient or effective solution for anyone and caused huge problems for residents where previously there were none. Appropriate notification - There is - if everyone parks sensibly - an absolute maximum of 12 parking spaces available in Little Green. At a conservative estimate there are 12 properties in Unicorn Street, the end of King's Road and Little Green who regularly use this parking. Others in the immediate area also do so on occasion, given restricted availability of parking in this part of Bloxham. Yet we understand very few of our neighbours have been directly notified of this application. We learned of the application only through one such neighbour, despite having used Little Green parking every day for the 33 years we have been here.
	Anything which might reduce the already limited availability of parking spaces, when there is little or no alternative parking <i>for anyone</i> in this area, should receive very careful consideration indeed, particularly as this has already been tried and - in all honesty - caused more problems than it solved.
	Whilst I do genuinely appreciate the needs of residents with restricted mobility - I am one of them - sadly, this area does not readily lend itself to this provision. The knock-on effect for other residents would be - yet again - considerable.
(32) Local Resident (Bloxham)	Concerns (Little Green) – It will be dangerous on that corner cars speeds round the corner. It will block the corner There is no one here who has a blue badge. We had one before it was in the corner where the dog and litter bins are.
(33) Local Resident (Bloxham)	Concerns (Little Green) – We don't think this would be good for any of the residents and from my knowledge everyone is able bodied. You could not get a worse place to live for parking and most people park courteously, but lots do not. Many times the road is blocked and would never be able to get Emergency Vehicles through. A Fire Engine got stuck in Kings Road one year when there was a chimney fire.
	We had a Disabled place previously and the people that applied for it didn't get removed when there was no requirement for it, leaving to others to ask for it to be removed. We also had to put up with the inconvenience of not being able to park there even though it was never sued.
	It feels more like a way to get a reserved space outside the house.

	Parking is really bad in Kings Road and Little Green, by all means put it outside the Church on the main road as this is less congested. People that visit us will not even drive down this road. No bin collection this week as the lorry cannot get down the road, this happens frequently with bins left outside for days. It would be a lot easier if the person talked to their neighbours and explains and we would keep that free, I have never parked in that place in 15 years, as I know they want to park outside their house, I respect that. 99% of the time their car is parked there all day every day anyway.
Orchard Rise (Chesterton)	- Proposed new DPPP
	Object (Orchard Rise) – I am writing to oppose the proposal for a disabled parking space on Orchard Rise.
	Nobody on Orchard Rise are blue badge holders that are in close proximity to the bay. There are already issues with parking during school drop off, throughout the day (buildings and school staff) and drivers lack of following the restrictions currently in place. We also have drivers parking on paths and verges throughout the day.
(34) Local Resident (Chesterton)	Most residents with blue badge holders park along the back of the bungalows on Banks furlong while their visitors take up valuable spaces on Orchard rise both in the week and at the weekend. This causes residents with young children to park further from their houses while having to carry items back and forth from cars.
	By restricting access to a valuable parking space on Orchard Rise I think this would further encourage more inconsiderate parking and hazards for both pedestrians and road users. As well as the potential for an accident.
(35) Local Resident (Chesterton)	Concerns (Orchard Rise) – I would like to voice my concern regarding yet another disabled parking area. There are already a number of these parking spaces, some are necessary and are used daily. Other spaces are not, for whatever reason. This area is already highly congested for residents parking. The school has now 26 staff members, due to its recent expansion, and very limited staff parking. The consequence of this is that the staff park on the road outside residential houses, from 8am till often 5.30pm. School drop off & pick up is chaos, the parents park literally anywhere, including disabled spaces. There are also residents that require 24-hour care, this also add to the parking pressure of the residents. I feel strongly that yet another area where residents are unable to park will cause more congestion. I have approached Chesterton Parish Council about having residents only parking, as this situation is becoming increasingly difficult for the residents.

(36) Local Resident (Chesterton)	Concerns (Orchard Rise) – I support the need of the applicant to have a designated parking place but question the wisdom of placing it in the lay-by. The tenants currently park their car, responsibly, behind their bungalow, in the lane between them and Kioloa. Their main reason being that the back access to their home from there, is more direct and easily accessible than it would be from the lay-by to either their front or back entrance (see map) as mobility poses an increasing problem. There is adequate space for them to park in the lane and plenty of room for cars and the refuse lorry to pass them with ease. Although the space is at the end of the lane, vision is not obstructed as their car is tucked well in from the junction. Consequently, I see no issue with an allocated spot being there and not taking a space in the lay-by, also needed by other residents and which is unlikely to be helpful the applicant. But they do need a designated parking space.
Cornish Road (Chipping No	orton) - Proposed new DPPP
(37) Local Resident (Chipping Norton)	Concerns (Cornish Road) – In my opinion more parking spaces are needed in the town to help disabled people when shopping. I have adequate parking space for overnight behind my bungalow.
(38) Local Resident (Chipping Norton)	Concerns (Cornish Road) – I have reviewed the plans online and wondered if you would be able to tell me how the location has been decided? The area marked on the maps falls in the middle of the area adjacent to the grass. If this space was to be used for disabled parking, the person would be either stepping out on to the road or onto the sloped grass. Neither option seem very sensible for someone which you have described in your letter as " with a permanent or substantial disability, such that walking is not possible or presents a considerable difficulty over longer distances". Would it not be better to put the bay a little further up where the parking bay would be next to the pavement therefore having hard standing on both sides of the vehicle? I have marked on the attached image of your map where this is. Are you also able to tell me if this parking space has been applied for by one of the residents? At present there is only one person who resides in this area with a disabled badge, they never choose to park next to the grass because of the risk of the grass and their mobility scooter - they park further up next to the path. In my attached image, I have highlighted in yellow where I think the bay should go. Alternatively, the disabled bay may be better to be in the parking bay opposite the blue proposed space rather than just on the road.

Hailey Road (Chipping Norton) - Proposed removal of two DPPP's	
(39) Local Resident (Chipping Norton)	Support (Hailey Road - removal) — I support the removal of the disabled parking places at Hailey Road as they the residents they were put in for are 1 no longer living at the address and 2 no longer drives. I feel that the removal on one disable parking place would be the best solution as this way it will free up potential 2 parking spaces as parking around Hailey Road can be difficult. I feel that leaving one disabled parking place would benefit some of the residents who have carers and family who have use of the residents' disabled badges when collecting them to take them out. This is why the removal of one disabled parking place would be in the best interest of all residents in this block of bungalows so we can cater for all.
Walterbush Road (Chipping Norton) - Proposed new DPPP	
(40) Local Resident (Chipping Norton)	Object (Walterbush Road) – Council should look at grass areas that could be turned into parking bays - they don't cut the grass anyway and it looks terrible. Especially on bus routes or when not many residents have drives and more than one car per household. Cottsway could also look at areas to help residents.
Church Street (Deddington) - Proposed new DPPP	
(41) Local Resident (Deddington)	Object (Church Street) – I am writing to say that I am shocked and anxious about the proposed disabled parking space directly outside my house. There are currently spaces for three cars outside my house, but the two other spaces not discussed here (I.e. further back from the market square) are often blocked by the Coop van, which drives backwards up Church Street and parks to do its deliveries to the shop via an alley next to my house. This means that I often have to use the proposed disabled parking space to park, to ensure that I will be able to exit when necessary. Limiting this parking space to only disabled permit cars will hugely affect my access to and from my house. As a single parent with two young children, I need to be able to park on Church Street so that I can ferry my children into the house and then get all their paraphernalia etc from the car while keeping an eye on them in the house. If I were to park elsewhere - for example if I managed to find somewhere to park on the market square - this would mean having to leave my young children in the house while running back and forth to fetch stuff from the car. Obviously, I don't feel the safety of my

	children is guaranteed if this were the case. It is already difficult to find a parking space that would not become blocked at certain (unpredictable) times by the Coop on Church Street, and your proposed disabled parking space is literally the only spot that ensures access to my house while keeping my children in eye's view. I suggest that the proposed space be moved somewhere such as around the village green, or in front of the (unused!) Otters Restaurant, or indeed anywhere near the Town Hall - I.e. not in a place directly outside someone's house, which will limit safe access for me and my children to our house!
Cleveley Court (Enstone	e) - Proposed new DPPP
(42) Local Resident (Enstone)	Support (Cleveley Court) – I am a disabled resident and requester of the above application. I am in receipt of your letter. In support of my request for a dedicated disabled space I would like to submit the following. Over the last year two out the block of four flats have been sold and are now holiday lets (one on Air Bnb and another on Cottages.com) which are marketed as being convenient for The Soho Club at Great Tew. This now causes some parking issues especially at weekends and some late-night noise (that I know is a separate issue). I have politely spoken to the owners of the flats asking that "Guests" are made aware that this is a residential area and to park considerately, some do some don't. I am not against these holiday rentals but would just like to be certain of a parking space close to my front door when I return home, that's all. I attach a recent picture to highlight my point of one incident where the opposite happened, and I was boxed in.
Merton Close (Eynsham) - Proposed new DPPP
(43) Local Resident (Eynsham)	Object (Merton Close) —I recall that this request was made back at a similar time in 2023. Most of text of the email that I sent back then is repeated here, as the issues are still the same as they were then. In fact, currently, the resident who has applied is parking not one but two vehicles of similar size on the roadside, and as far as I can tell, neither of these are frequently used, nor are there any difficulties in finding sufficient parking. The picture attached shows this, shot from outside the and facing south-west further into the close. In addition to this, the past couple of years has seen 2 residents whose properties are on the opposite side of the junction into Blankstone close park high sided vans for business purposes outside their properties, straddling the pavement, and further compounding the visibility issues around the bend on the road.

For your records, I have copied and pasted the following from my email back in 2023, all of which is still relevant to this proposal: There are a number of parking / road safety issues that we have raised concerns about to the Eynsham Parish council and Cottsway Housing in the past about regulations regarding parking on this stretch of Merton Close. These concerns relate to the nature of the vehicles being parked at this 'pinch point' in the close; concerns which have in the past led to actual collisions or dangerous situations arising for pedestrians and road users. To clarify the safety issues: 1) The size of the vehicle currently being parked in the space you indicate is a high sided van with blacked out windows. This blocks visibility for those exiting Blankstone close, including those on mobility scooters, children on bicycles and cars. It also blocks visibility for anyone trying to pull out of the parking spaces allocated for #23, #25, #27 etc. This combined with a restricted view of vehicles approaching from the entrance to the Close (due to vehicles, bushes etc at the front of properties across the street) combines to create a number of hazards. 2) Due to the nature of the vehicle being parked, delivery trucks, refuse vehicles and other larger vehicles such as firefighting trucks mount the pavement on the opposite side of the road in order to navigate the bend. This not only has damaged the kerbstones but presents an additional hazard to pedestrians. In additional to this, we have also pointed out a number of times to all concerned that there is a parking bay which is available but never used by the residents in question at the rear of their property. To request an additional designated space seems totally unnecessary, given that one is already provided. We feel strongly that these issues need careful consideration by those in Cottsway and County Council prior to any further action. **Object** (Merton Close) – Regarding the above reapplication, this was first applied for in 2023. The same criteria applies now as then. The difference being they now have 2 high vans to park and climb into, with no (44) Local Resident difficulty whatsoever. Which are parked, without any difficulty on the street. One outside his bungalow and one down (Eynsham) the road outside a neighbour's bungalow. At no time does he try to park either van in his designated parking space at the side, which gives him back access to his bungalow. Or the pavement to the front. I'm sure if you find the reply I sent back in 2023 the same issues apply.

	We now also have obstructed views in the evening due to other work vans being dangerously parked on corners and paths. Our objections are as valid today as they were in 2023.
(45) Local Resident (Eynsham)	Object (Merton Close) – After sending in my objections regarding the disabled parking space. I've been asked by a neighbour to please add his name to the objections. He is registered blind and has himself a blue badge. His friends when taking him shopping and returning, park alongside his bungalow. He feels the same as we all do that it's not a necessity to have a marked disabled parking area right outside his bungalow.
(46) Local Resident (Eynsham)	Object (Merton Close) – The proposed Eynsham disabled space is in no way appropriate for the type of road it is on (a small village close) due to the fact that the resident requesting said space has one, sometimes two, large van vehicles. These vehicles are already a huge safety risk as they completely obstruct all vision up the road when coming round the corner from either direction. This has been reported multiple times to local council, with no action being undertaken to increase safety. Furthermore, the resident requesting this parking space has no need for the vehicle he has, as he is the driver and does not actually use the disabled access part of the vehicle. Along with this, he often has a second vehicle of similar size that he parks along the same street, increased danger to the public through obstruction of view. Lastly, this resident has absolutely no issues obtaining this parking space without it being marked as a disabled space, as no one else ever parks there. There is no need for government money to be spent on this.
Saywell Crescent (Eyns	ham) - Proposed new DPPP
(47) Local Resident (Eynsham)	Object (Saywell Crescent) – House nr 8 have 2 assigned spaces on the car park a few meters from front door and they never use them. The person never parks in the front of the house where you are planning the space.
(48) Local Resident (Eynsham)	Support (Saywell Crescent) – I live near to the proposed disabled bay and have no objections to the planned disabled parking i think it's a great idea as parking can be difficult.
Honor Close (Kidlington) - Proposed removal of a DPPP	

(49) Local Resident (Kidlington)	Object (Honor Close) – I am objecting to removing the bay at Honor Close. After our neighbour who the bay was registered to passed away last year the bay was empty as we didn't really know if we can use it. Yet, since around summer 2024 it started to be much more difficult to find space to park at Honor Close. Lots of residents from Honor Close area park in Honor Close and often residents from Honor Close cannot find parking place. That's why we started to use the bay because our son who is known to Oxfordshire County Council is a blue badge holder. Having the bay allows our family to find a safe and close space to our home for our son. Please have this is mind while deciding about future of the bay.
Marlborough Avenue (Kid	dlington) - Proposed new DPPP
(50) Local Resident (Kidlington)	Concerns (Marlborough Avenue) — I am writing to you regarding the proposed disabled person parking place outside 82 Marlborough Avenue. You are probably aware that there are already three disabled person parking places between numbers 72 and 86, and that would make it the fourth one. While we obviously understand why these are needed and we would not want to go against these, as a family with very young children, we are feeling very frustrated with the parking situation outside our house. Since it's not a permit restricted area, anyone can and does park there, making it difficult for us to find a space at times. Also, when the latest disabled person parking place was added in front of number 78, it was done in a way that did not respect the way people were parking, removing space for cars and reducing the number of cars that could park there. If a new disabled place is added in front of number 82, could it please be done in a way that still enables cars to park properly around it. There is currently space to fit five cars between the disabled person parking places between numbers 78 and 84. It would be great if it could remain that way, including the new disabled person parking place. We would still like to be able to park our cars in front of our house, making it as safe as possible for our children.
North Green (Kirtlington) - Proposed new DPPP	
(51) Local Resident (Kirtlington)	Object (North Green) – I have recently become aware of the above application for a "proposed disabled persons parking place" opposite 'The Forge' entrance on North Green. Parking has always been difficult around the Greens in Kirtlington, this proposed side of North Green is no exception. Homeowners who buy properties in these areas are fully aware that they have no priority for parking when purchasing their homes. This application would take up a very large section of the available parking area alongside the

	Green. Disabled parking spaces are typically larger than regular parking spaces, measuring 2400mm x 4800mm with a 1200mm wide marked access zone on either side and at the rear, consequently reducing the sought-after spaces for all other residents and restricting the width of an already narrow road, potentially causing damage to the verge etc. by a huge amount of commercial vehicles travelling around the Green throughout the day. As far as I am concerned the creation of a disabled space in this area of North Green would put all the local residents at a disadvantage where parking is very limited. There are many residents that use the spaces mentioned on a first come first serve basis with an overflow very close by on Heyford Road. There are many other appropriate places in Kirtlington where this parking area could be positioned. One of which is on the Heyford Road just a few steps away where the road is much wider, it is a public highway and not part of the narrow road and green rural space of North Green in Kirtlington. For these reasons I place my objection to the above application.
(52) Local Resident (Kirtlington)	Object (North Green) – Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this proposal which we strongly oppose. We are aware that accessible parking bays are essential for disabled motorists who need extra room to safely get into, and out of, their vehicles. As you will know, disabled parking spaces are wider and longer than the average car parking space. Disabled parking bays should be at least 2.4m wide, 4.8m long with a 1.2m "access zone" around each side of the bay. The proposed disabled person parking place would, therefore, using these measurements, protrude dangerously into a very busy narrow road. We are interested to know whether Kirtlington Parish Council has been consulted over this proposal. Also, has a public survey been conducted in Kirtlington to explore suitable sites for a disabled person parking space? In your letter seeking our views, you state that the proposal is being put forward in response to increased local demand for parking for those with a permanent or substantial disability. Any disabled parking bay must, of course, be made available for use by all members of the public with a substantial disability, not solely for the use of any one local individual. Finally, an application for the same proposal, sited on the opposite side of North Green (Ref: JaC.12.6.P0134) was made in April 2024. Could you please let us know what decision was made, about this proposal, by OCC?

We would appreciate confirmation that our opposition to current proposal will be submitted as part of the statutory consultation process.
Object (North Green) – With reference to your letter regarding the above matter, I would like to confirm my objection to this proposal on the following grounds:
1. North Green highway is a narrow residential road 5450mm wide (the width is less then Kytes place) and has a high bank onto the 'Green' on the right side which does not allow for exiting a vehicle on this side of the highway. On the left side of the highway, you have a mix of banked grass and private driveways. To necessitate a disabled person's parking bay (Minimum dimensions are 2700mm wide) this would place the disabled person when exiting their vehicle onto the narrow highway, so with that said the Disabled person's bay should be 3300mm, is my understanding. To establish this width, it would require excavation of the 'Green' at additional costs.
 I would also have a concern over the health and safety of any disabled person exiting in this narrow residential road as only last Friday we had an incident whereby a car went into two parked vehicles caused by the road being congested with all parking spaces full.
 It should be noted that 'The Forge' vehicle access is sited very close to the proposed disabled person's bay which again is a potential health and safety issue as a high wall obstructs their view of the road whilst exiting their premises.
 I note some of the residents on that part of the highway have medical vehicles in attendance and I wonder if the said vehicles and emergency vehicles would be able to attend if the proposed Disabled person bay was constructed.
5. The reduced width will deny access for the two school buses (Marlborough and Cokethorpe) that pickup/drop off school children during term time will impact this service to local children.
6. The resident applicant does not show signs of difficulty in walking when she resides at her property and therefore it is my opinion, they do not necessitate a disabled parking bay around the green, furthermore, I do not believe that the 'Green' is an appropriate place for a disabled person's parking bay.

(56) Local Resident (Kirtlington)	Object (North Green) – The houses on that side of North Green all have driveways and they appear to use them. This isn't a suitable location near any of the amenities in Kirtlington, the pubs both have car parks and then Quarry has plenty of parking much closer to it. I don't think there would be enough space width wide to fit a disabled bay in without causing issues for other traffic to get past it. There is always space to park cars along that side if needed.
(57) Local Resident (Kirtlington)	Object (North Green) – I am objecting the north green, Kirtlington disabled bay as I believe that it is the wrong location for the bay, I suspect it has been requested after a previous request was denied. I see very similar issues with that one as with this. A few months ago, a disabled space was requested outside 6 Kytes place which is the opposite side of the green. This new request is on the north side of the green which arguably has even less space to offer for a disabled spot. The physical requirements of a disabled spot would cause a narrowing of the road preventing such vehicles as ambulances or fire engines from being able to pass. I also wonder who this space would benefit as it is further away from amenities such as the school, village hall or local pub. All houses on the north side of the green have personal driveways and so if the request belongs to those houses, I'd suggest there is ample room already on their property. If it does not serve those houses, then I believe this space would be too far away from any other dwelling to efficiently serve anyone else. Parking is limited on the green and it was made very clear when buying houses around it that parking is a first come first serve basis. I believe that the disabled space system is being taken advantage of to essentially claim a 'personal' parking space for the requester. If it was truly to benefit everyone who may require it, then I'd suggest a more appropriate location would be closer to south green (centre of the village) or mill lane (near to the nature reserve).
(58) Local Resident (Kirtlington)	Concerns (North Green) – I do not agree regards the "distance walking" as a case for the space. I assume is for a property within North Green without a drive or garage. If this is the case, then most properties are only 50 meters away from the highways on flat level ground. I am also aware there is no residents within the North green roadways that need walking aides. Secondly the area marked up is a very narrow highway so potentially could become a potential hazard.

	I would however be happy to consider the area of North green to be listed and signed posted as residents only parking and given to those properties without driveways or garages. For your information we have one property that has a driveway with the owner placing a Bollard on the road opposite, so no one parks in front. Could this be delt with please.
(59) Local Resident (Kirtlington)	Support (North Green) – I have no objection to the above proposal because I would be one of the beneficiaries as I hold a blue badge. I have a disability and find it difficult to carry things a long way. Since you last consulted on this issue the parking situation around North Green has worsened with there often being no parking spaces for residents. This, as you can
	I understand that when you previously consulted the position of the proposed space was on the Parish Council's land. Could you please ensure the bay be positioned somewhere where Highways have authority rather than the Parish Council that way the previous consultation issues do not arise for a second time. Finally, I urge you and the Cabinet Member to reconsider the proposal to allow a disabled space somewhere on highways around the Croop. Thank you for your attempt to assist me
highways around the Green. Thank you for your attempt to assist me. Troy Lane (Kirtlington) - Proposed new DPPP	
(60) Local Resident (Kirtlington)	Support (Troy Lane) – No objection
The Village Close (Upper Arncott) - Proposed new DPPP	
(61) Local Resident (Upper Arncott)	Object (The Village Close) – I am writing to formally oppose the proposal in its entirety regarding the request for a Disabled Persons' Parking Place (DPPP) in our area (The Village Close, Upper Arncott).

Firstly, the individual requesting this space currently has their house on the market, as evidenced in the attached photo. This raises a fundamental issue—once they move, the allocated space would become redundant, rendering it completely unnecessary. A DPPP should serve a long-term essential need, not a temporary request that will soon be irrelevant.

Additionally, the applicant has an abandoned car occupying the very space they wish to claim. This vehicle has been left stationary for months and is not in active use. If this parking space were truly necessary for the family, it would be in regular use rather than simply holding a place that has remained empty except for an unused vehicle.

Furthermore, this household already benefits from a private off-road parking space located behind their property, which they actively use. According to the Oxfordshire County Council website, a DPPP can only be granted under specific conditions, one of which is:

"There is no access to off-street parking (unless the applicant is the vehicle driver, and their disability prevents them from using the off-street facility)."

Since this family has a private off-street parking space that they use, they do not meet the necessary qualifications for a DPPP. Allowing this application to proceed would contradict the stated eligibility criteria and set an unfair precedent.

If the current abandoned vehicle were removed, the space could be used efficiently by myself, my partner, our visitors and every other visitor for families across this extremely busy street. Instead, we are forced to navigate around this abandoned car, making parking unnecessarily difficult.

Given these factors, I strongly urge you to reject this proposal. It does not meet the eligibility requirements, it is not a genuine necessity for the applicant, and it unfairly impacts those of us who actually need and use parking in this area.

I appreciate your time and consideration in reviewing this matter. Please confirm receipt of this objection and do let me know if you require any further information.

To clarify, the house at No. 44 The Village Close is indeed for sale, and the family has been actively hosting viewings for prospective buyers. Given this, the request for a Disabled Persons' Parking Place (DPPP) appears unnecessary, as the applicants may no longer reside in the property in the near future.

Furthermore, the household currently makes full use of their private off-road parking space. The parking area they claim to be unsuitable is, in fact, actively used. The space in question, which they have requested be designated as a DPPP, currently has one of their cars abandoned on it and has remained there for several months. It is clear that this space is not being reserved for a disabled individual's use but rather to prevent myself and my partner from parking there. I want to emphasise that I have a family member with a disability, and under normal circumstances, I would not object to a DPPP being installed where it is genuinely required. However, in this case, we have recorded footage on our security camera capturing the resident stating that they are pursuing this request out of malicious intent, rather than genuine necessity. This raises serious concerns about the legitimacy of the application. Given the above, I strongly urge you to reconsider granting this DPPP request. I appreciate your time in reviewing this matter and would be grateful for an update on the next steps. Object (The Village Close) – I'm writing to formally object to this proposal, as I strongly believe it is completely unnecessary and unfair. Firstly, the family applying for the space already has private off-road parking behind their house, which they actively use. According to Oxfordshire County Council's own guidelines, a DPPP should only be granted where there is no offstreet parking available, unless the applicant is unable to use it due to their disability. Since they do have off-street parking and are clearly using it, they do not meet the requirements for a DPPP. On top of this, their application doesn't make sense in the long term, as their house is currently on the market (as (62) Local Resident shown in the attached photo). If they move, the space will serve no purpose, making it a waste of a designated parking (Upper Arncott) spot. Another issue is that the very space they are trying to claim is currently occupied by an abandoned car that has been sitting there unused for months. If this space was genuinely needed, it would be in regular use, rather than just holding an unused vehicle. This car is just taking up valuable parking space, making things harder for those of us who actually need to park here. For all these reasons, I strongly urge you to reject this proposal. It doesn't meet the council's own criteria, it's not needed, and it unfairly impacts others in the area. I would appreciate confirmation that my objection has been received, and please let me know if you need any further information.

	Object (The Village Close) – I am writing to formally object to the proposal for a Disabled Persons Parking Place (DPPP) in The Village Close, Upper Arncott, OX25 1QU as outlined in the recent consultation letter I received. While I fully support accessibility measures for residents with permanent or substantial disabilities, I believe that this specific application does not meet the necessary qualifying requirements under the UK's DPPP guidelines. According to UK regulations, a DPPP should only be granted if the applicant meets specific conditions, which I'm sure you are aware of and can be found here: https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/transport-and-travel/street-maintenance-z/disabled-parking-places#paragraph-9791
	This explains the following: • Possession of a valid Blue Badge.
(63) Local Resident	 Proof that the applicant has significant mobility impairments that prevent them from walking or pose a considerable difficulty over longer distances.
(Upper Arncott)	A demonstrated <i>need</i> for a dedicated parking space due to the absence of existing suitable parking.
	The resident applying for this space – House number 44, currently has off-street parking available, meaning that there is no genuine necessity for an additional designated bay. Furthermore, the resident has previously abandoned a vehicle in the proposed space, which raises concerns regarding the responsible use of parking facilities within the area.
	Additionally, the applicant's property is currently on the market, meaning that any space allocated for their use would potentially become redundant soon. It would be inappropriate to designate a permanent DPPP for a resident who may no longer live at the property, limiting availability for others who may have a genuine and long-term need for accessible parking in the area.
	Please see the link to the property's estate agency in which the property is currently listed as for sale. https://www.bartonfleming.co.uk/property-details/5828/oxfordshire/bicester-88
	Approving this request could unfairly monopolise valuable parking space that is shared among residents. Given that the applicant already has private parking, granting them an additional designated bay would place unnecessary strain

on the limited number of available spaces, potentially disadvantageous to other residents who also require access to parking. The proposal, if approved, may set a concerning precedent, where individuals with existing parking solutions seek to claim additional spaces that are meant for those in genuine need. This could lead to misuse of disabled parking provisions, undermining the purpose of the DPPP scheme. Furthermore, an unoccupied or misused space could pose a safety risk, increasing congestion and potential disputes among residents. In light of these points, I strongly urge the council to reconsider granting this DPPP request. Remembering that at this crucial time financially, this could be seen as wasting council money and resources. The application does not align with the necessary qualifying criteria, and approval could create unnecessary limitations for other residents while enabling the misuse of shared parking resources. Instead, I propose that the council prioritise DPPP requests for individuals who genuinely lack accessible parking options and whose needs are permanent and substantial. Object (The Village Close) – I am writing to formally object to the proposal to provide a 'disabled persons parking place' within my area, as outlined in your recent correspondence for The Village Close, Upper Arncott. I believe this is located outside Number 19 for the Applicant of Number 44. While I fully support initiatives that assist individuals with disabilities, I have concerns regarding the specific location of the proposed parking space and its potential impact on residents and the wider community. My objections are based on the following points: 1. Impact on General Parking Availability – The introduction of a designated disabled parking space may further (64) Local Resident reduce the already limited parking options available to local residents, many of whom rely on on-street parking. (Upper Arncott) 2. Alternative Solutions – There may be more suitable locations for such a parking space that would have less impact on existing parking and traffic flow. I urge a reconsideration of alternative sites that could better accommodate the needs of all members of the community. 3. Traffic and Safety Concerns – Depending on the proposed location, the new parking space could contribute to congestion, visibility issues, or access restrictions for other road users and trying to get on and off drives where high volumes of traffic pass through here daily narrowingly missing small children. 4. Existing Off-Street Parking for Applicant – The applicant at Number 44 already has access to two off-street parking spaces, meaning that the proposed additional space would further limit available parking for residents who are already struggling to find adequate parking in the area. Allocating an additional space may not be the most efficient use of parking resources.

	 Property on the Market – The applicant's property is currently on the market, meaning that the designated parking space may soon become obsolete. This raises concerns that council funds and resources would be wasted on an allocation that may no longer be necessary in the near future. These funds could be better utilized elsewhere to support long-term community needs. I respectfully request that my objection be considered during the consultation process, and I would appreciate further details on how objections will be reviewed and addressed. Additionally, I would welcome the opportunity to discuss potential alternatives that balance the needs of disabled individuals while minimizing disruption to residents.
(65) Local Resident (Upper Arncott)	Object (The Village Close) – I am writing to express my concern about the proposal to add a disabled parking space on The Village Close, Upper Arncott, OX25 1QU (Ref: JaC / 12.6.P0214). We also opposed the previous request and many of the reasons for our opposition remain the same. While I understand the importance of accessible parking, I believe the proposed space is unsuitable due to the following reasons: 1. Accessible Off-Street Parking: The household requesting the disabled parking spot already has access to two off-street parking spaces. Since our previous opposition, where we stated the spaces were not being used at all, the individual has started using one of the spaces around the back of the house. However, despite only having a single driver at the moment, the household currently owns two cars, with the second car being left stagnant in the layby opposite the house and not moved for months on end. I would argue that, if the individual really struggled to access the car at the back of the house, then they would move the unused car to the back and use the space opposite the house for easier access. As they have been using the space at the back of the house for some time now we would argue the reasons for requesting a disabled space in the layby are not sufficient enough.
	2. Limited street space: The street is already overcrowded, making parking for visitors etc. difficult. The layby is open for use and therefore allows visitor cars and delivery vans to park there when necessary. Removing one of these spaces for the requested disabled space will significantly hamper this and lead to further obstruction of pathways and green areas. The grass areas on our street are already turned up because of people parking on them due to lack of available space - with the nearby park gates often being blocked by visiting vehicles. This will only get worse. Removing a space from a street that is already busy would cause significant issues, which could easily be avoided by use of the available off-street spaces from the requesting household.

	3. The requesting house being up for sale: The requesting household currently has their house on the market (see: https://www.primelocation.com/for-sale/details/67981848/?search_identifier=a31f40d991aaca00464fc12edb2eeb27). Our worry is that if the household gets granted the space, and then manages to find a buyer, the street will be left with an unused disabled space for an extended period until it can be removed. As such, we strongly oppose the proposal for the disabled parking space.
(66) Local Resident (Upper Arncott)	Object (The Village Close) – The applicants already have private off-road parking behind their house, which they actively use. According to Oxfordshire County Council guidelines, they do not qualify for a DPPP. Their house is currently on the market, meaning the space would become redundant once they move. The parking space in question is occupied by their abandoned car that has been sitting unused for months. If they genuinely needed this space, it would already be in use. This proposal is unfair and unnecessary, and I urge the council to reject it based on the above reasons.
(67) Local Resident (Upper Arncott)	Object (The Village Close) – The person applying for this has got her house currently up for sale. This makes the parking space a waste as would serve no purpose in the long term. According to Oxfordshire County Council's own guidelines, a DPPP should only be granted where there is no off-street parking available, unless the applicant is unable to use it due to their disability. Since they do have off-street parking and are clearly using it, they do not meet the requirements for a DPPP. So, they are not even eligible for this space
(68) Local Resident (Upper Arncott)	Object (The Village Close) – The road is already overcrowded with cars, the layby us used on a daily basis and still there are cars parked in the street. Having a disabled space will push more cars to park on the street. It is already hard to drive in the street and it will make it further unsafe for driving especially as you are unable to see round the park which is next to the layby to see oncoming cars. It is also making it less safe for the children playing in the street. Any further overcrowding could affect the value of the houses surrounding and driveways are the same distance as the layby to the house and this does not seem to be an issue at present. I will also go back to my last objection that too much parking will make it difficult if not block any emergency services getting down the street that is already narrow, this will also apply to rubbish collections and bulk deliveries.
Mill Farm Lane (Witney)	- Proposed new DPPP
(69) Local Resident (Witney)	Object (Mill Farm Lane) – Thank you for your letter dated 6th February regarding the proposed disabled parking space which I requested last year on behalf of my elderly mother. The parking issues in Farm Mill Lane have not improved unfortunately and parking seems to be at a premium!

In light of the fact that we will soon be putting our house on the market, I feel a designated disabled space outside our house would put an added complication in the path of a potential sale.

I think that a residents permit parking space regulation on Farm Mill Lane would be a fairer alternative for all users/residents of the lane.

I would also like to put forward the suggestion that painted "white box" parking bays be marked out on the tarmac itself to assist residents, vet surgery clients and visitors alike to park more tidily and use space more efficiently. Very often a badly parked vehicle can really inhibit the turning circle at the end of the cul-de-sac. Also, the hatch lines on the tarmac have worn away in front of the parking space I frequently use. Additionally, it would be helpful if OCC could arrange the regular clearance/ cutting back of overhanging vegetation at the end of the cul-de-sac?

Yes, it looks as though adding a disabled bay outside our house would now be unnecessary and ultimately would cause a problem down the line for the new owners.