

Totterdown Transport issues

TRESA Public Meeting, Constitutional Club, Wells Road,
Wednesday 18th May

Clean Air Zone

No 2 bus route

HGV lorries on Wells Road

Rat running

Bristol's clean air zone



- No vehicles are banned from entering the Clean Air Zone
- Older and more polluting vehicles will pay a daily charge
- Charges apply 24 hours a day, seven days a week
- Vehicles charged only once per 24-hour period
- Charges will not apply to Euro 4, 5 & 6 petrol vehicles; Euro 6 diesel vehicles; fully electric vehicles and hydrogen fuel cell vehicles; modified/retrofitted vehicles registered with the Energy Saving Trust's Clean Vehicle Retrofit Accreditation Scheme (CVRAS); motorbikes
- Charges: **£9** for private cars, taxis, LGVs; **£100** for HGVs, buses, coaches; no charge for motorbikes
- If a vehicle has to travel into the zone because of an official diversion e.g. from M5, the vehicle will not be charged



Funding for mitigation measures

- Loan/grant scheme to assist businesses upgrade vehicles (**£32m**)
- Loan/grant scheme for people to upgrade vehicles (**£1.8m**)
- Help for people switch to public transport and make more journeys by walking or cycling with free electric bike loans, cycle training and free bus tickets (**£5.9m**)
- Maximum grants are £1,500 for cars and £4,500 for vans.



- Individuals who work in the Clean Air Zone and earn less than £26,000 p.a. will be prioritised in the first round of funding (increased to £27,000 in spring 2022)
- Small and medium sized enterprises (up to 250 employees) and self-employed people based in the zone will be prioritised for business grants
- This may be extended to other businesses and organisations in spring 2022 depending how many loans/grants have already been granted
- On Bristol City Council website
 - [Clean Air Zone charges and vehicle checker page](#)
 - [register your interest for financial support](#)

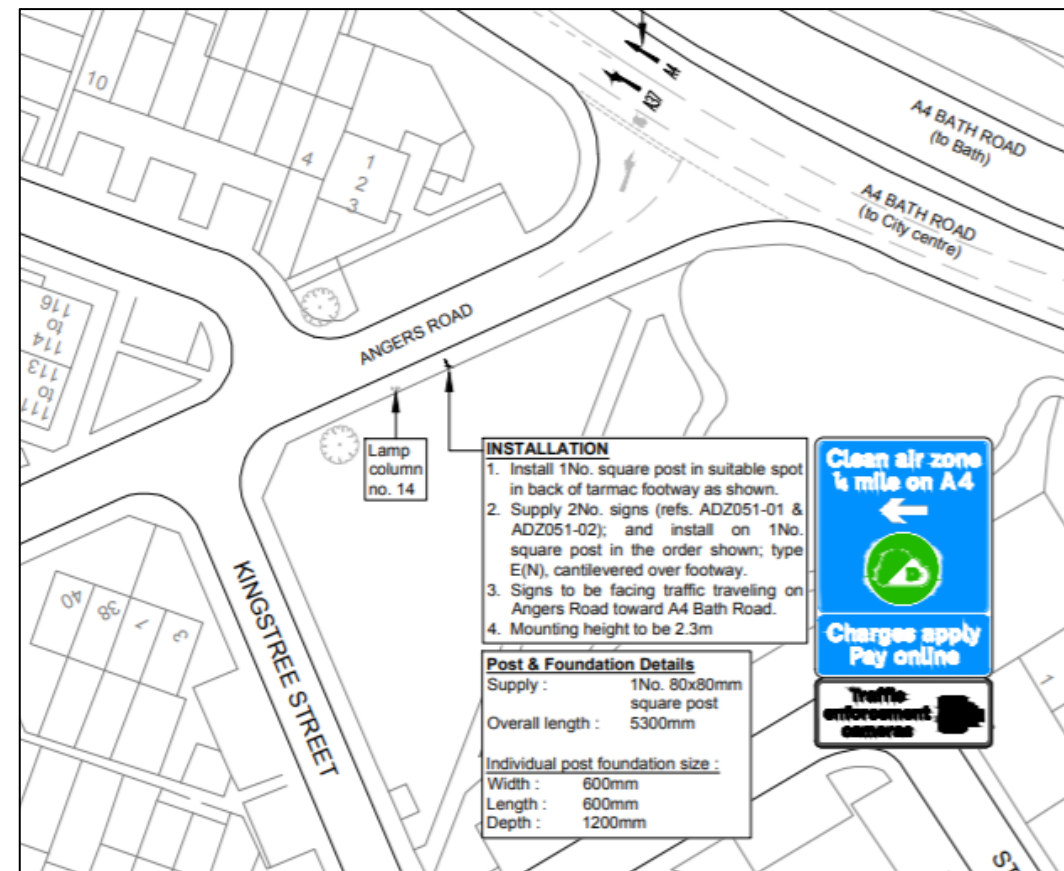
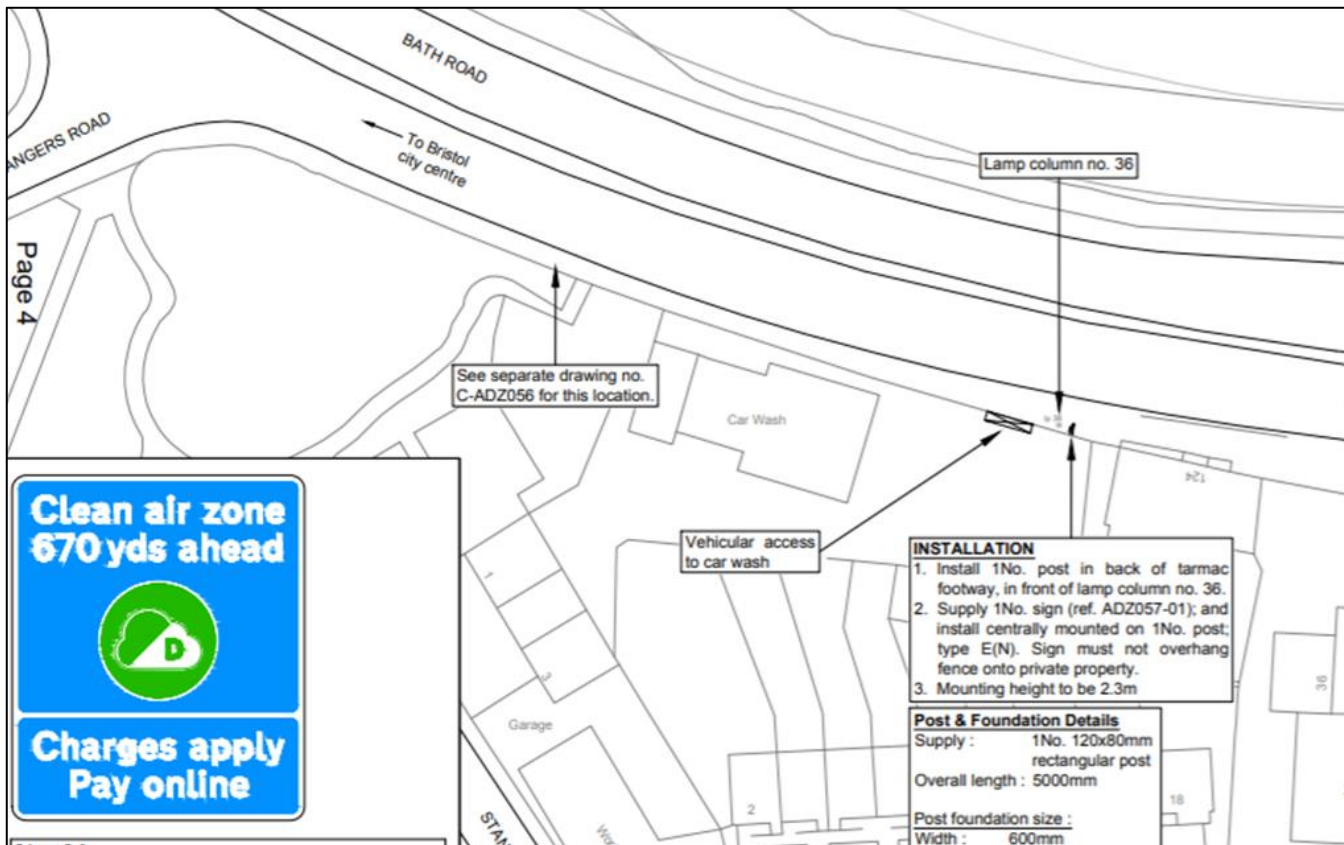


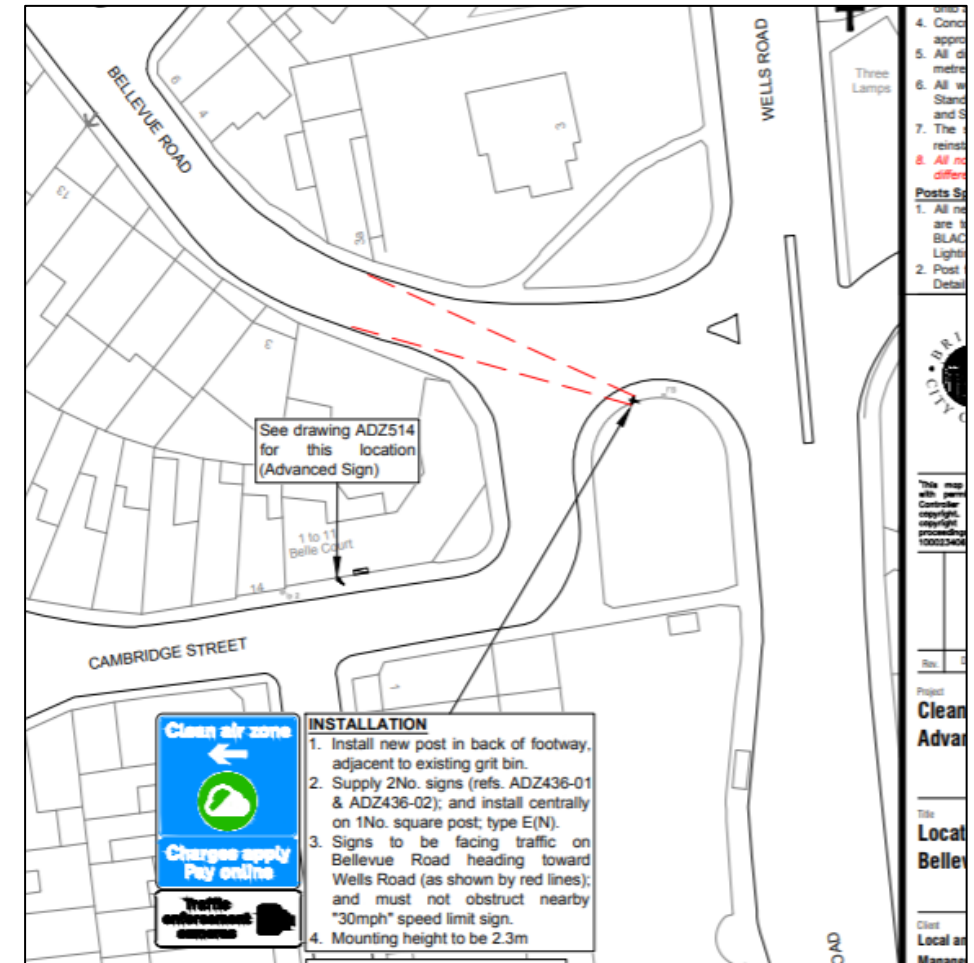
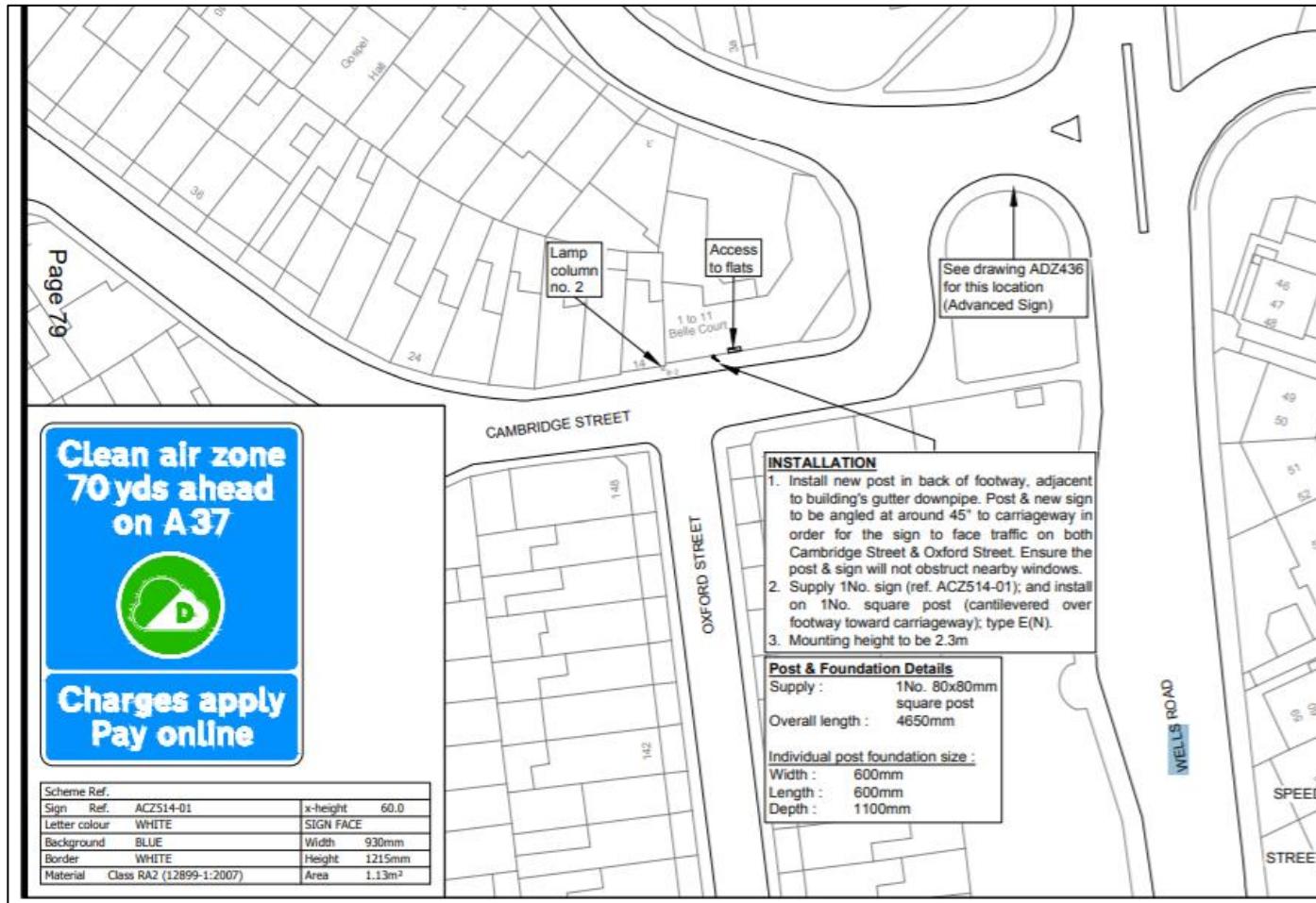
Exemptions



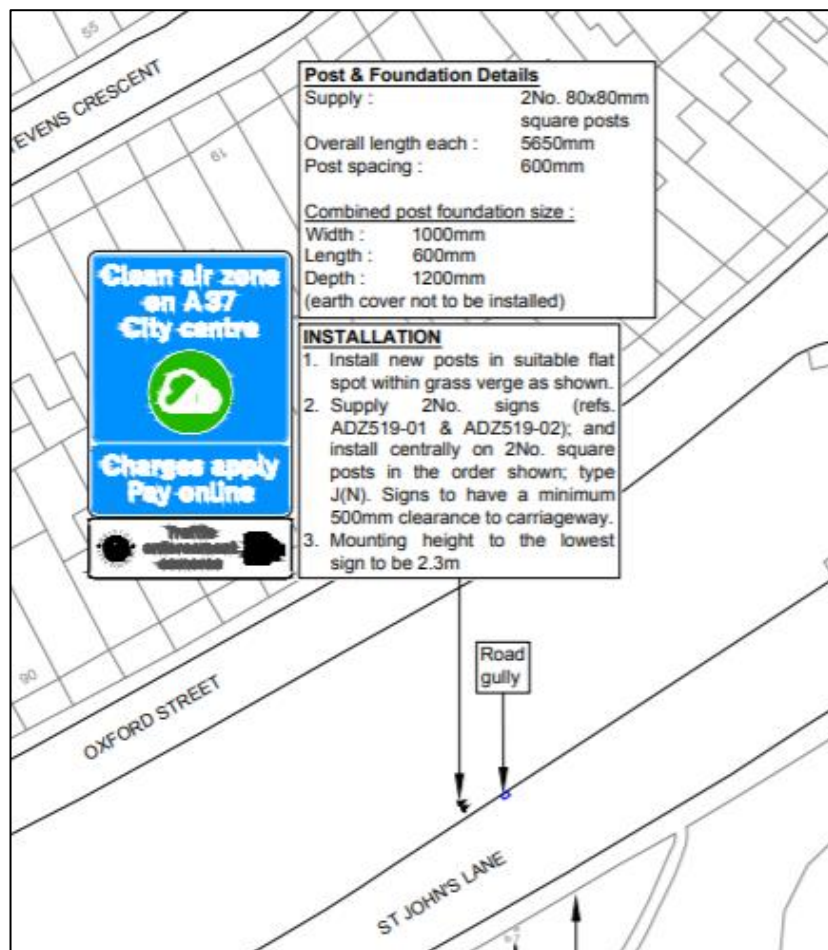
- Residents in the zone
- People working within the zone and earning less than £26,000 a year
- Blue Badge holders
- Patients and visitors attending hospitals in the zone who can register their vehicle at their appointment
- National exemptions include:
 - disabled passenger tax class vehicles
 - disabled tax class vehicles
 - military vehicles
 - historic vehicles
 - certain types of agricultural vehicles

Possible signage on Angers Road and Bath Road

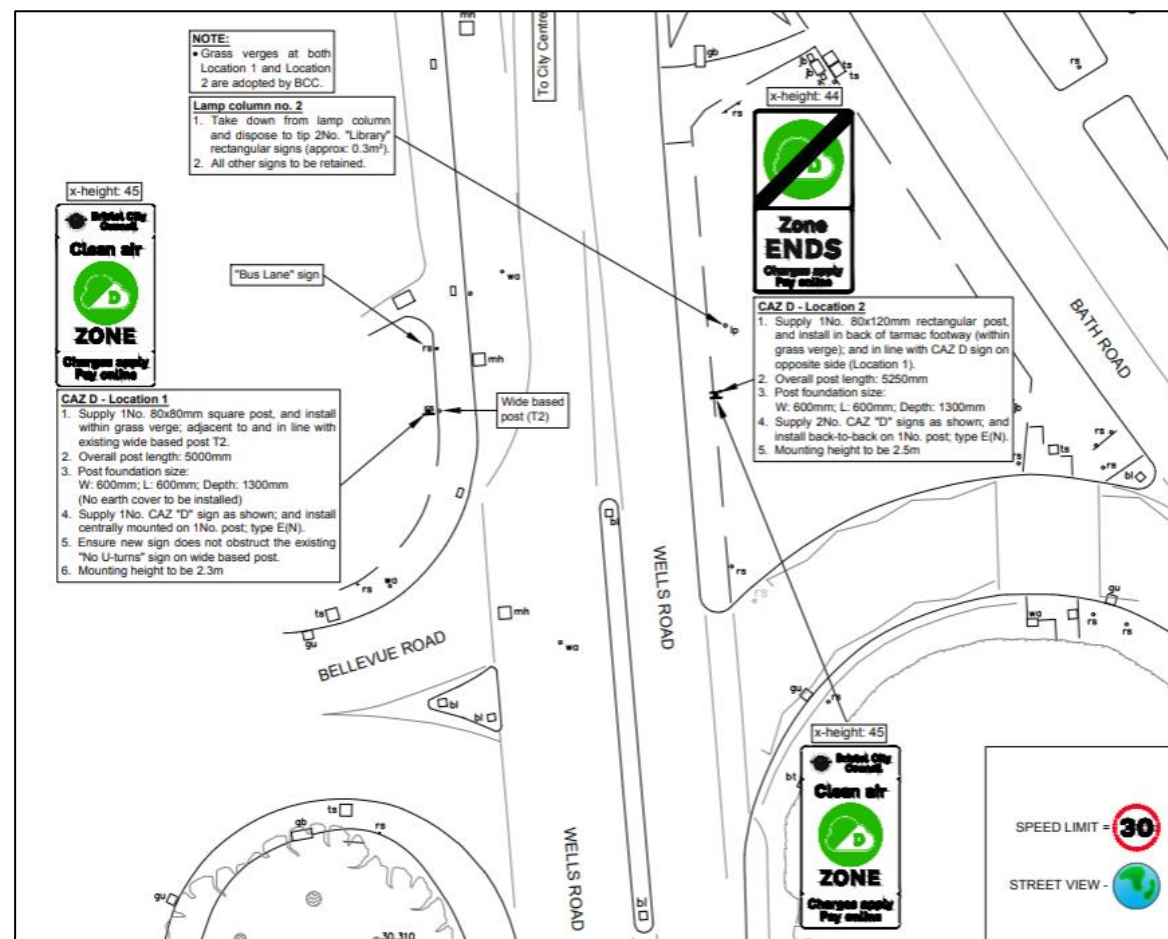




Possible signage at Cambridge Street / Bellevue Road



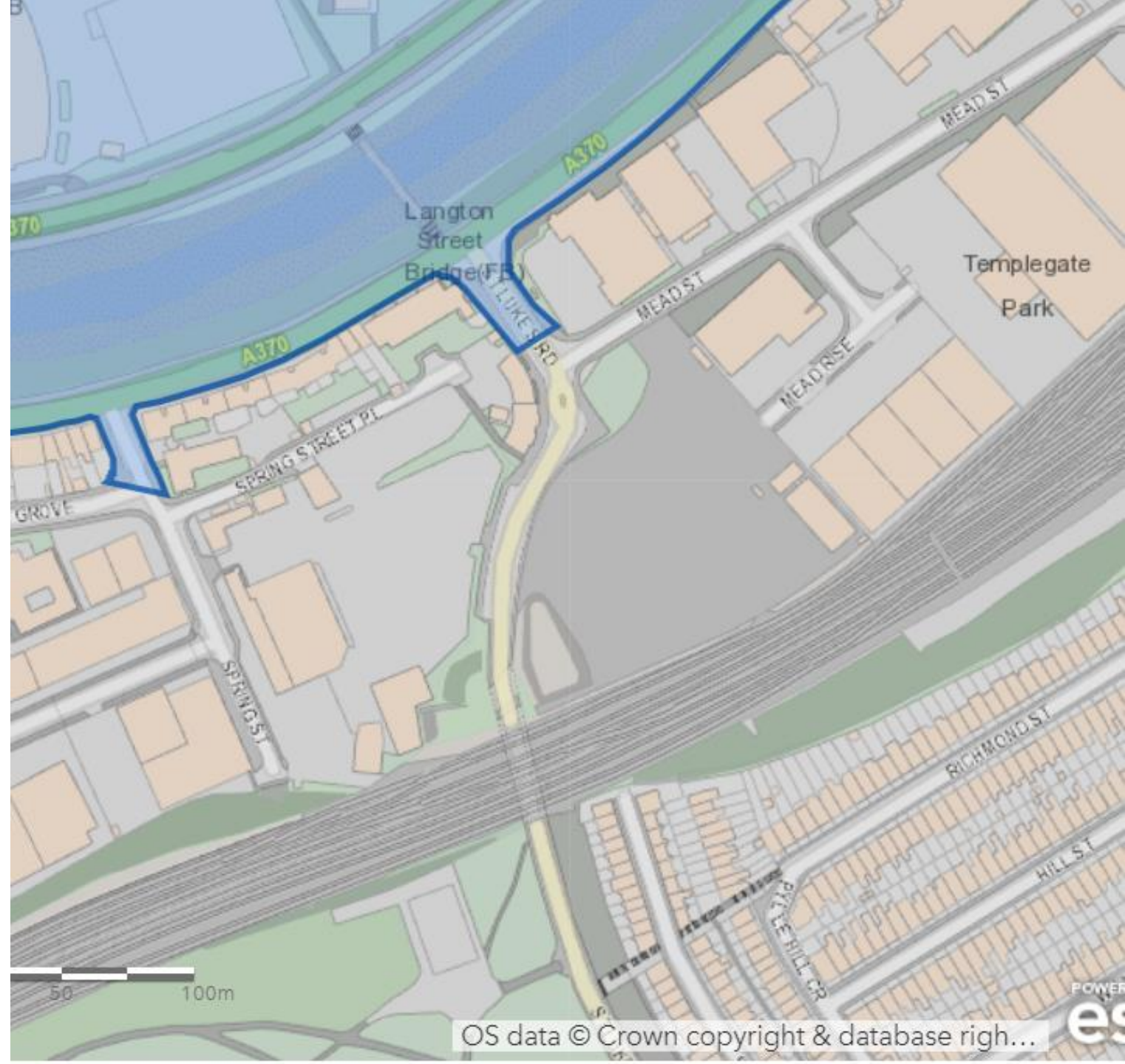
Possible signage on St John's Lane (heading up towards Wells Road)



Possible signage on Wells Road near Three Lamps junction

Part of St Luke's Road (at junction with York Road) is in the Clean Air Zone.

There is no advantage to using St Luke's Road to avoid the Clean Air Zone?



The Clean Air Zone starts just after Three Lamps junction. There is a chance to turn from Bath Road into Wells Road to avoid it (but not from Wells Road into Bath Road).

TRESA question. Please can you give details of the issues considered, modelling undertaken, and mitigation measures proposed in relation to motor vehicles travelling along the A4 Bath Road and A37 Wells Road into Bristol who may look for ways to avoid driving into the clean air zone?



Officer response. The A4 and A37 have been included within the modelling, however this is a regional model and does not include each individual side road. **Designing or developing mitigations for any impacts that the zone may have has not been undertaken at this stage as the modelling suggests that these impacts will be relatively small.** We will be monitoring the impacts and seek to develop mitigations as impacts become apparent.

TRESA question. What mechanisms are proposed to enable people in communities at the edge of the Clean Air Zone to report issues of concern?

Officer response. Residents could use existing channels to report any concerns: raise with their Councillors or contact the Council directly by emailing us at CAZsupport@bristol.gov.uk We will be keeping the impacts of the implementation of the CAZ under review in terms of routine traffic and air quality monitoring.

Questions from Councillors Lisa Stone and Ed Plowden

Is there a proposed process for deciding what mitigation may be, including residents input, the range of interventions that may be acceptable and how to prioritise potentially competing claims for the mitigation?

Officer response. Any excess income secured from the charges received by operating the zone has to be used for improving air quality in the city. We will need to monitor the impact of the zone before determining where to implement mitigation measures to manage those impacts. This will include funding public transport, walking and cycling schemes.

Cllr question. Residents living on the hill alongside the Three Lamps are understandably nervous about the Clean Air Zone as the A4 and A37 surround them. They already suffer from **rat running** and **commuter parking** on their streets. They fear that this may become worse. The motorists amongst them are also concerned that in order to be able to go to the east along Bath Road (potentially to connect to the M32) their only option is to travel into and immediately out of the CAZ incurring the full daily fee.

Will long awaited plans for **traffic calming** be expedited and any special provision be allowed for these local residents to make the **'U turn' onto the Bath Road**?

Officer response. **There are no proposals to enable a U-turn to the Bath Road as part of the clean air plan.** This has been looked at a number of times and found to be unviable due to the lack of space and impact on other flows.

When the impacts of the CAZ become clear we will seek to implement mitigations to any impacts and work with local Cllrs and communities to design any mitigation schemes.

Question. The graphic modelling traffic flows shows no significant difference on the Wells Road, but **the Environmental Assessment lists the Wells Road as one of the seven areas likely to decline in air quality.** How is this reconciled in the modelling?

Officer response. The modelling shows very little difference to traffic flows, however there is a small increase, whereas most roads experience a small decrease overall.

There may also be changes to the mix of vehicles on the A37 due to its location.

Overall, the modelling shows that nowhere outside the zone experiences significant increases in pollution as a result of the zone which cleans up the fleet across the region and therefore benefits all parts of the city.



Blue =
decrease
in flows

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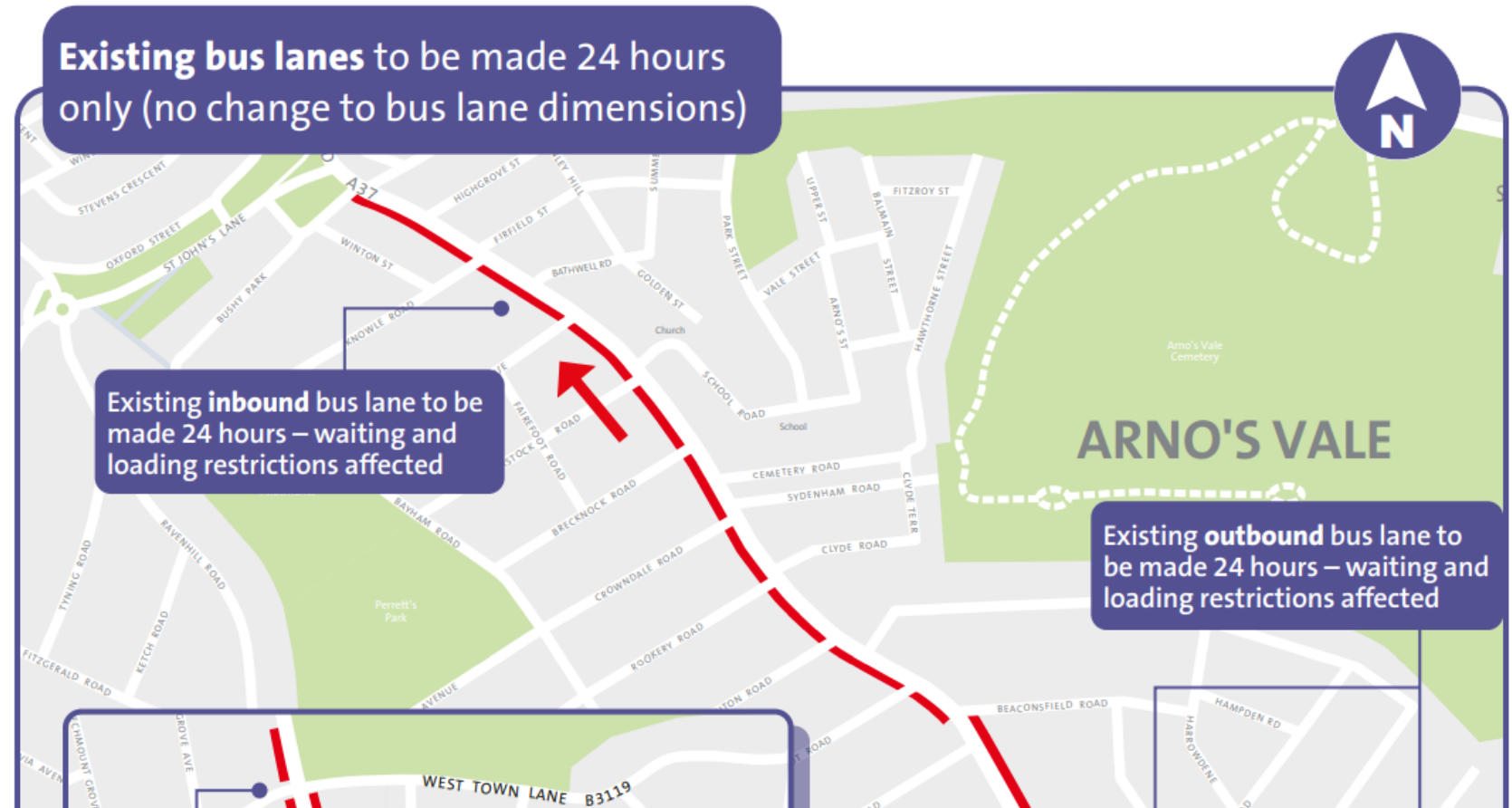


No 2 bus route proposals

Issue

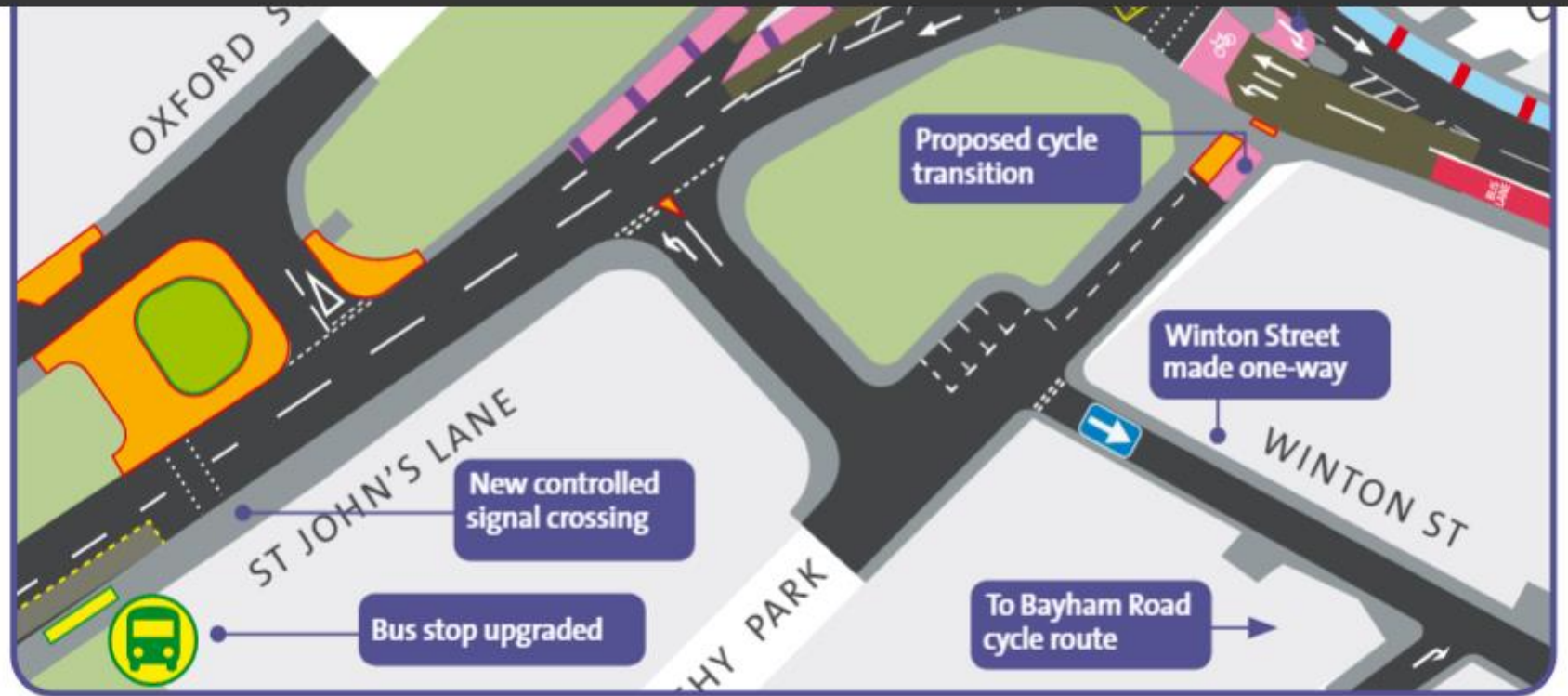
Some shops and businesses on Wells Road are concerned, if there is a 24-hour bus route, there will be no opportunities to load and unload at their premises (which have no back entrances)

Bus lanes – proposed changes



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Making Winton Street one-way would force people driving out of Winton Lane and Barrington Court (48 parking spaces) to drive onto Wells Road to access St John's Lane.



What are we proposing?

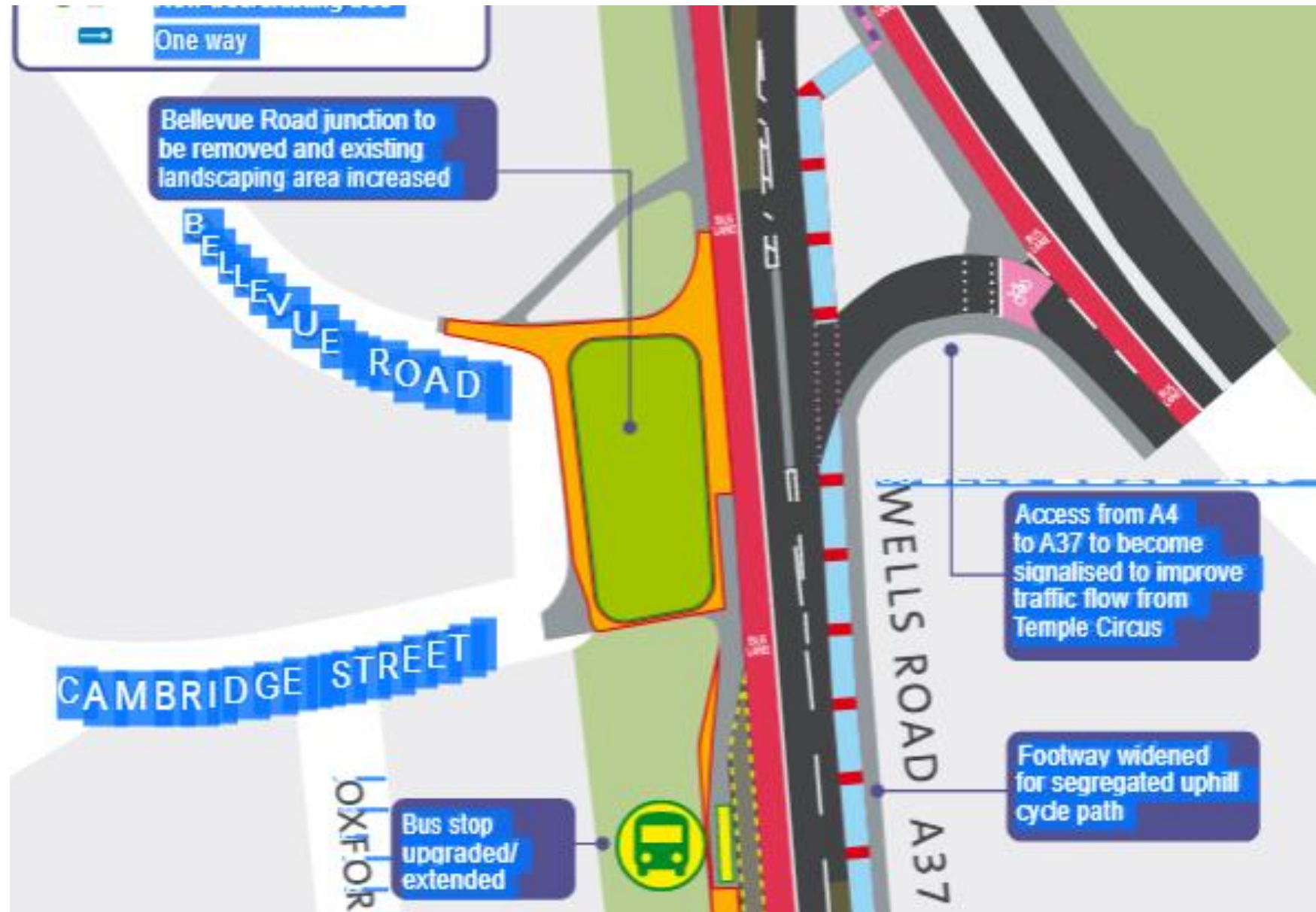
- New 24/7 bus lane and a cycle only right turn for Bayham Road cycle route.
- New crossing from St John's Lane to Bushy Park.
- New one way on Winton Street.
- New cycle lanes and an alternative low traffic route option for cyclists

Why are we proposing this?

Responses to the previous engagement asked us to improve cycling facilities from Three Lamps junction up the hill along Wells Road as the narrow road increases the risk of conflict between cyclists and motor vehicles. New segregated cycle lane sections, an alternative low traffic route, new continuous footways and improve crossings on St John's Lane and at the

Issue

The proposal to remove the junction with Bellevue Road will mean that the only entrances/exits to this part of Totterdown are at Oxford Street and Windsor Terrace.



Heavy goods vehicles (HGVs) on Wells Road

Local residents have conducted some research to show that the vast majority of HGV lorries on Wells Road are driving to the M32

What can be done?

Will there be an issue of HGVs trying to avoid the Clean Air Zone and diverting along St John's Lane?



Rat running

- On-going problems and campaigning around the Stanley Hill rat-run
- Other rat-runs in Totterdown?
- What can be done?

