



**Proposed Change of Use of
Agricultural Building and Yard to the
Storage of Drainage Materials and
Associated Trade Counter**

**Land at Holywell Farm, Desford Lane,
Ratby**

**Designer Response to
Stage 1 Road Safety Audit**

For Prestons Contracting

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1 Introduction

- 1.1 This report provides the Designer Response to the problem and recommendation provided in the Stage 1 Road Safety Audit conducted by Midlands Road Safety Ltd dated August 2024. The Audit Report, Midland Road Safety Ltd, reference 24-1763-RSA1 and this Designer Response has been discussed with the client. A copy of the Road Safety Audit has been attached as **Appendix A** for information.
- 1.2 This report is set out in the same format as the Road Safety Audit Stage 1 report, the Road Safety Problem and Recommendation followed by the Designer Response.

2 Designer Response to Matters Arising from Stage 1 Road Safety Audit

- 2.1 The Road Safety Audit team identified no safety problems that need to be addressed.

Designer Response

Recommendation no alteration to the access design is required as there are no safety issues to be resolved. The Road Safety Audit team have assessed the access design and are happy that the design submitted will not create any highway safety issues.

3 Additional Considerations

- 3.1 There were no additional considerations identified in the Road Safety Audit and therefore no further amendments to the scheme are required at this stage.

4 SUMMARY

- 4.1 The recommendation made within the Road Safety Audit Stage 1 Report has been reviewed.
- 4.2 The Safety Audit found no highway safety issues nor did it raise any additional observations.
- 4.3 It is therefore considered that the proposed access design is both safe and suitable and therefore no amendments to the design are required.
- 4.4 I am therefore of the opinion that the proposed access arrangements should be acceptable to the Local Highway Authority.

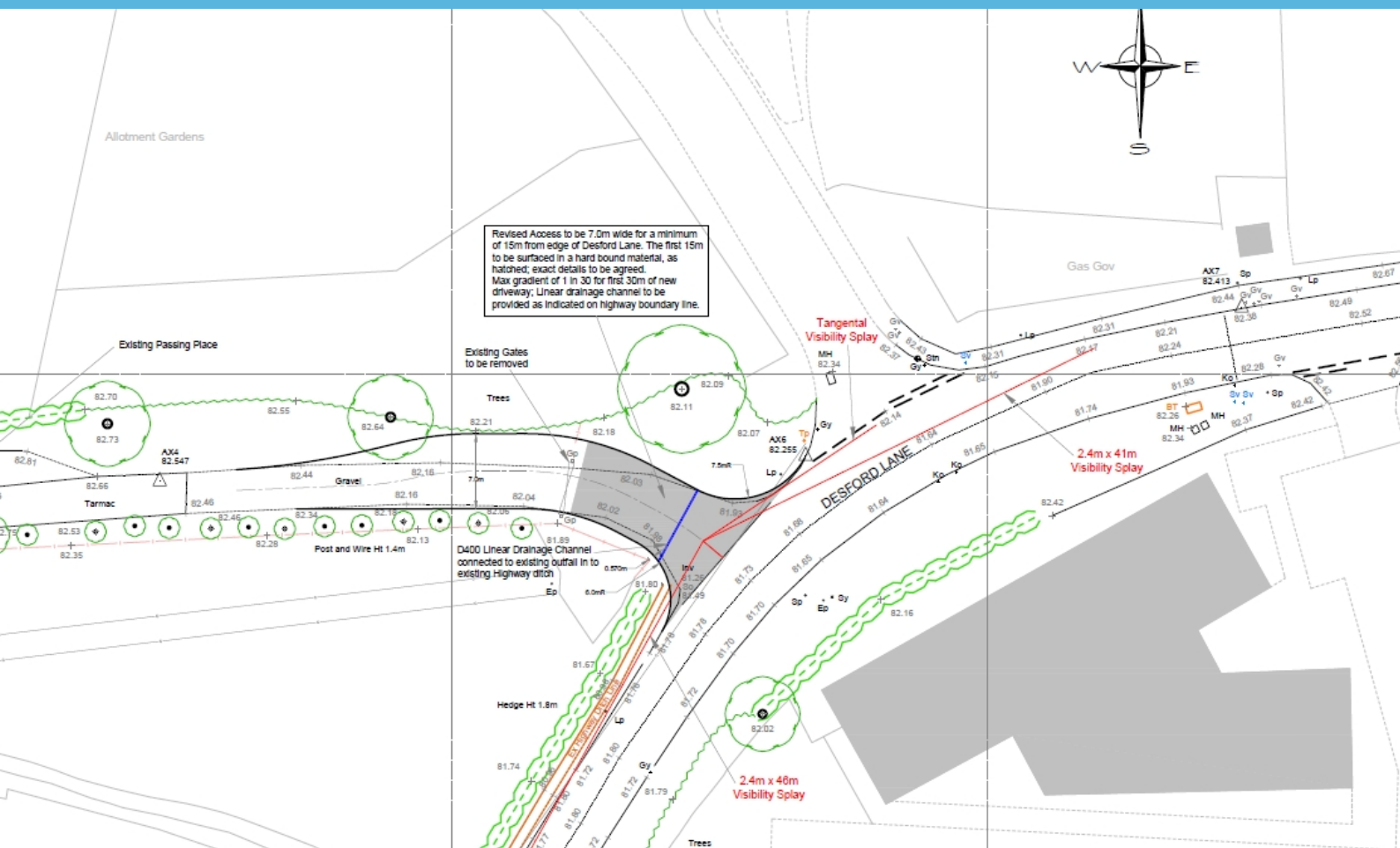
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Appendix A. Stage 1 Road Safety Audit



PROPOSED ACCESS JUNCTION AMENDMENTS

HOLYWELL FARM, DESFORD LANE, RATBY

STAGE 1 ROAD SAFETY AUDIT

AUGUST 2024

REPORT REF: 24-1763-RSA1

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1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report comprises a Stage 1 Road Safety Audit (RSA) on the proposed junction improvements to the existing Holywell Farm access junction on Desford Lane in Ratby, Leicestershire.
- 1.2 The works include the provision of a hardbound surface, wider junction and an increase to the width of the access road at the junction and removal of the existing gates to the access. The works are arising from a proposed change of use from the existing agricultural building and yard to the storage of drainage materials and an associated trade counter.
- 1.3 The report was requested by Edwards & Edwards Consultancy Limited on behalf of their client Prestons Contracting. The Overseeing Organisation is Leicestershire County Council.
- 1.4 The Audit Team Membership was as follows:

Audit Team Leader

Chris Berry, MSc Transport Planning, MCIHT, MSoRSA, NH RSA Certificate of Competency

Audit Team Member

Jodie Sheardown

- 1.5 A site inspection was carried out by the Audit Team together on Tuesday 20th August 2024 at 10:10. During the site visit the weather conditions were overcast with some light rain and the road surface was damp. Traffic flows were observed as being light, with several pedestrians and no cycle movements being observed.
- 1.6 The audit also comprised of a desk-top study where all documents and plans provided by the Design Team were reviewed. A list of these can be found in Appendix A. The auditors have not been made aware of any departures from design standards.
- 1.7 The audit has been carried out in accordance with the principles of the National Highways document GG 119 'Road Safety Audit' (version 2). A formal Road Safety Audit Brief was not provided to the Audit Team. However, information regarding the site was provided via email alongside the relevant scheme documents and drawings. This was considered by the Audit Team to provide sufficient detail to undertake the appropriate stage of audit.
- 1.8 The Audit Team have examined and reported solely on the road safety implications of the scheme as presented and not examined or verified the compliance to any alternate criteria.

- 1.9 All comments and recommendations in this report are referenced to the Audit Brief where provided, and detailed drawings supplied. Where appropriate a list of “Additional Observations” will follow from any safety problems raised. These are not identified safety problems but generalised observations, outside of the scope of the relevant stage of audit, that may highlight potential safety problems that could arise at future stages of the safety audit process.
- 1.10 Midlands Road Safety Ltd has ensured that this report has been carried out independently with no member of the Audit Team membership directly linked to the scheme design.

2. SAFETY PROBLEMS RAISED IN PREVIOUS ROAD SAFETY AUDITS

- 2.1. It is understood that no previous Road Safety Audits have been undertaken for the proposals subject to this report.

3. SAFETY PROBLEMS RAISED IN THIS ROAD SAFETY AUDIT

- 3.1. The Audit Team has identified no safety problems to be addressed.

End of the ‘Safety Problems’ in this Section of the Report

4. ADDITIONAL OBSERVATIONS

- 4.1. No Additional Observations have been raised at this stage in the audit process.

5. AUDIT STATEMENT

- 5.1. We certify that the terms of reference of the audit are as described in GG 119 and that no member of the Audit Team was directly linked to the scheme design.

5.2. **AUDIT TEAM LEADER:**

Chris Berry, MSc Transport Planning, MCIHT, NH RSA Certificate of Competency
Director
Midlands Road Safety Ltd



Signed: _____

Date: 22.08.2024

5.3. **AUDIT TEAM MEMBER:**

Jodie Sheardown
Road Safety Consultant working on behalf of Midlands Road Safety Ltd



Signed: _____

Date: 22.08.2024

APPENDIX A

The following documents and drawings were provided for the purposes of this road safety audit.

Drawings

Number	Title	Rev
12484/001	Proposed Access Improvements	-
12484/002	Visibility Splay Check	-
12484/002	Vehicle Tracking Sheet 1 (Articulated vehicle)	-
12484/003	Vehicle Tracking Sheet 2 (Rigid vehicle)	-
245-AS-01	Site Plan	P02

Documents

Author	Title	Rev	Date
Edwards & Edwards	Road Safety Audit Details (by email)	-	09.08.2024

APPENDIX B

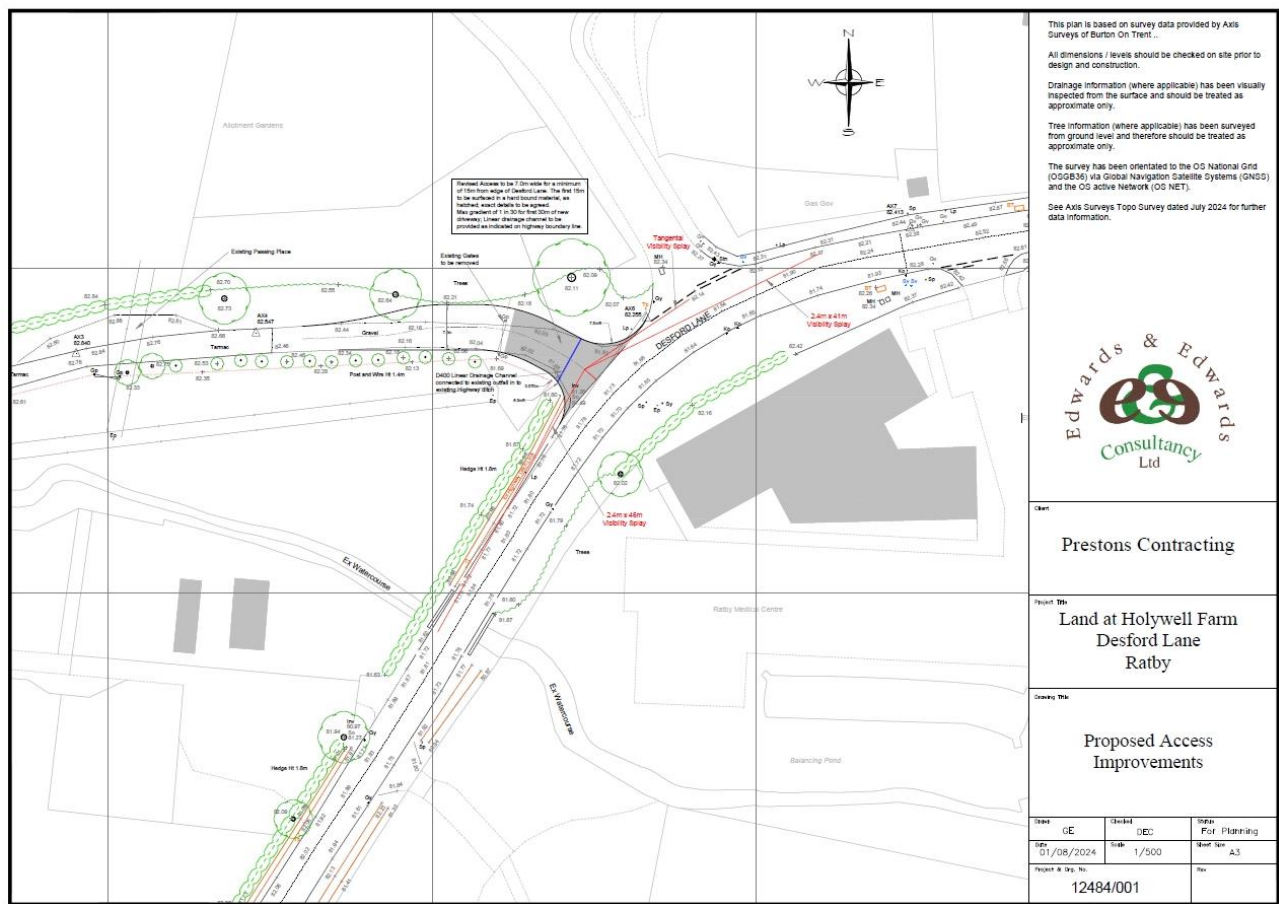
The location of any problems/observations that have been identified in Section 3 of this report can be seen on the extracts of the drawings supplied to the Audit Team, as listed in Appendix A.

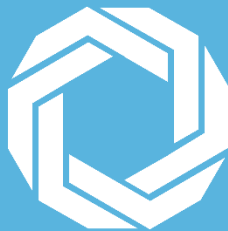
Figure 1 – Site Location



[Mapping source; Google Maps]

Figure 2 – Problem Location Plan





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