

Planning No.	Name/Address	Description	SNC/NCC Decision	CTC Decision
2020/0901	37 Worcester Road Costessey NR5 0UJ	Proposed new fencing	Approval with Conditions	Approve
2020/0965	146 Norwich Road NR5 0EH	First floor rear extension	Approval with conditions	Approve with conditions
2020/1170	Mill House The Street Norfolk NR8 5DG	Non- material amendment to 2019/0009- amendment to rear glazing design, changes to roof front link, replacement of rear wall section with fence and changes to external finish on riverside elevation of existing house.	Approval with no conditions	Approve
2020/1196	Dereham Road NR5 0TL	Hornbeam: fell, Silver Birch: fell, Oak: reduce crown, Sweet Chestnut leaning tree due to poor growth habit, to reduce to prevent further safety concern, Pedunculate Oak: remove failed branch, Common beech: remove deadwood.	Approval with conditions	N/A

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Norfolk County Council:

Briefing note for Costessey Town Council

1. Current position on Queen's Hill road adoptions

The adoption process for Queen's Hill is still in progress and there are six spine road stages, with the progress of each stage detailed below. Each stage involves a complex set of inspections and legal obligations for various elements such as streetlighting, roads, structures, sewers etc. Before adoption can be finalised each of these elements must be completed to the satisfaction of the Highway Authority. These stages and progress are summarised below.

Section 37 Notices have been served on Norfolk County Council for all six Spine Road stages and Legal Title Checks completed. The Stages below are detailed on the attached plan.

Stage 1

Roads – Interim sign off received

Lights – Interim sign off awaited

Bridge – Interim sign off awaited + **Supplementary Agreement** for Embankment Works awaiting completion

Anglian Water Sewers – Sewer Certificate awaited

Deeds of Easement for Highway Drains – Completed 09/03/2020, but awaiting Registration

Landscaping – Sign off awaited

Bus Shelter – Sign off received

Commuted Sums - Paid

Stage 2

Roads – Interim sign off awaited

Lights – Interim sign off awaited

Anglian Water Sewers – Sewer Certificate awaited

Stage 3

Roads – Interim sign off awaited

Lights – Interim sign off awaited

Anglian Water Sewers – Sewer Certificate awaited

Stage 4

Roads – Interim sign off received

Lights – Interim sign off awaited

Anglian Water Sewers – Sewer Certificate awaited

Stage 5

Roads – Interim sign off received

Lights – Interim sign off awaited

Anglian Water Sewers – Sewer Certificate awaited

Stage 6

Roads – Interim sign off received

Lights – Interim sign off received

Anglian Water Sewers – Sewer Certificate awaited

Bus Gate Apparatus – Interim sign off received

Deed of Easement for Soakaway – Completed 09/03/2020, but awaiting Registration

Deed of Easement for Bus Gate apparatus – Completed 09/03/2020, but awaiting Registration

Commuted Sums - Paid

2. Bus lane completion & potential use (including emergency protocol)

Emergency protocol

A Bus Gate Protocol was devised in 2015 which set out how the bus gate could be routinely used by “blue light” vehicles and exceptionally used by general traffic in situations when the southern access to Queen’s Hills was blocked.

However, as the bus lane route is still not adopted highway, it has not yet been possible to formally adopt the protocol to facilitate emergency openings at the discretion of the Police.

The intention of the County Council is that, once the adoption process is actively underway (likely to be indicated by payment of the appropriate fees) we will arrange to meet the Police, Town Council and other stakeholders to review the protocol and get it formally signed off between the involved parties. We would then issue a press release to advise the public of its existence and purpose.

3. Future improvements

The County Council is very aware of the issues facing residents when there are problems on the highway network which cause difficulty exiting Queen’s Hills. We are therefore working to bring forward schemes to help traffic flow in the area and provide greater travel choice for residents and businesses.

A number of small-scale highway measures have already been delivered using a mixture of developer funding and County Council funds. The favoured large-scale intervention is a link road from Dereham Road to the Ernest Gage Avenue/William

Frost Way roundabout which would relieve the junction and provide a second access to the Queen's Hill/Longwater area, relieving pressure on the William Frost Way access. Further work is required on this link road to enable the Council to bid for government funding for construction. A bid was made to the Norfolk Business Rates Pool fund in autumn 2019 to seek funding for this further work, but unfortunately this bid was unsuccessful. We continue to review any available funding opportunities to fund this further work.

There is a very good bus service that serves Queen's Hills, which provides an alternative to people using their car. This runs up to every 15 minutes Monday to Saturday daytimes, up to every 30 minutes in the evenings and up to every hour on Sundays and bank holidays, operating along Dereham Road into the city centre and then out to Thorpe St Andrew via the rail station. Once the bus lane is open the operator, First Bus, may wish to use this as an alternative route but initial discussions suggest that they do not see going this way out of Queen's Hills as a viable sustainable option. As the bus service is a commercial one, the County Council has no power to make them change their route. However, the bus service that currently exists is a very good service that we should all be encouraging people to use rather than driving, which will in turn will help alleviate the current traffic issues.

The County Council has submitted a funding bid to government as part of the Transforming Cities Fund, which has the objective to deliver improved public transport and an increase in journeys made by low carbon modes.

Although no funding was allocated by Government in the recent Budget, Norwich and two other cities are in the next funding round to bid for a share of £117m. Although this level of funding is lower than originally expected, options to include in the next funding bid could include:

- the Provision of bus priority measures along the Dereham Road corridor from Easton to the city centre;
- improvements to walking and cycling facilities along the Dereham Road corridor;
- a mobility hub within Queen's Hills, providing a more convenient facility for accessing bus services, car club vehicles and travel information.

The revised bid for the £117m is currently being worked up with input from the Department for Transport. Schemes included in this final bid have yet to be decided.

4. Boundary commission review

The Boundary Commission is currently reviewing the division arrangements for Norfolk County Council. This review was triggered as a result of over 30% of our current divisions being outside the 10% variance required, leading to elector inequality. The County Council were due to consider our submission on the pattern of the electoral divisions on 23rd March and the Boundary Commission deadline is 24 March. The papers are on the County Council's website.

<https://norfolkcc.cmis.uk.com/norfolkcc/Meetings/tabid/128/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/496/Meeting/1540/Committee/2/Default.aspx>

The Commission make the final decision.

A "division" is represented by one County Councillor and is made up of a number of polling districts.

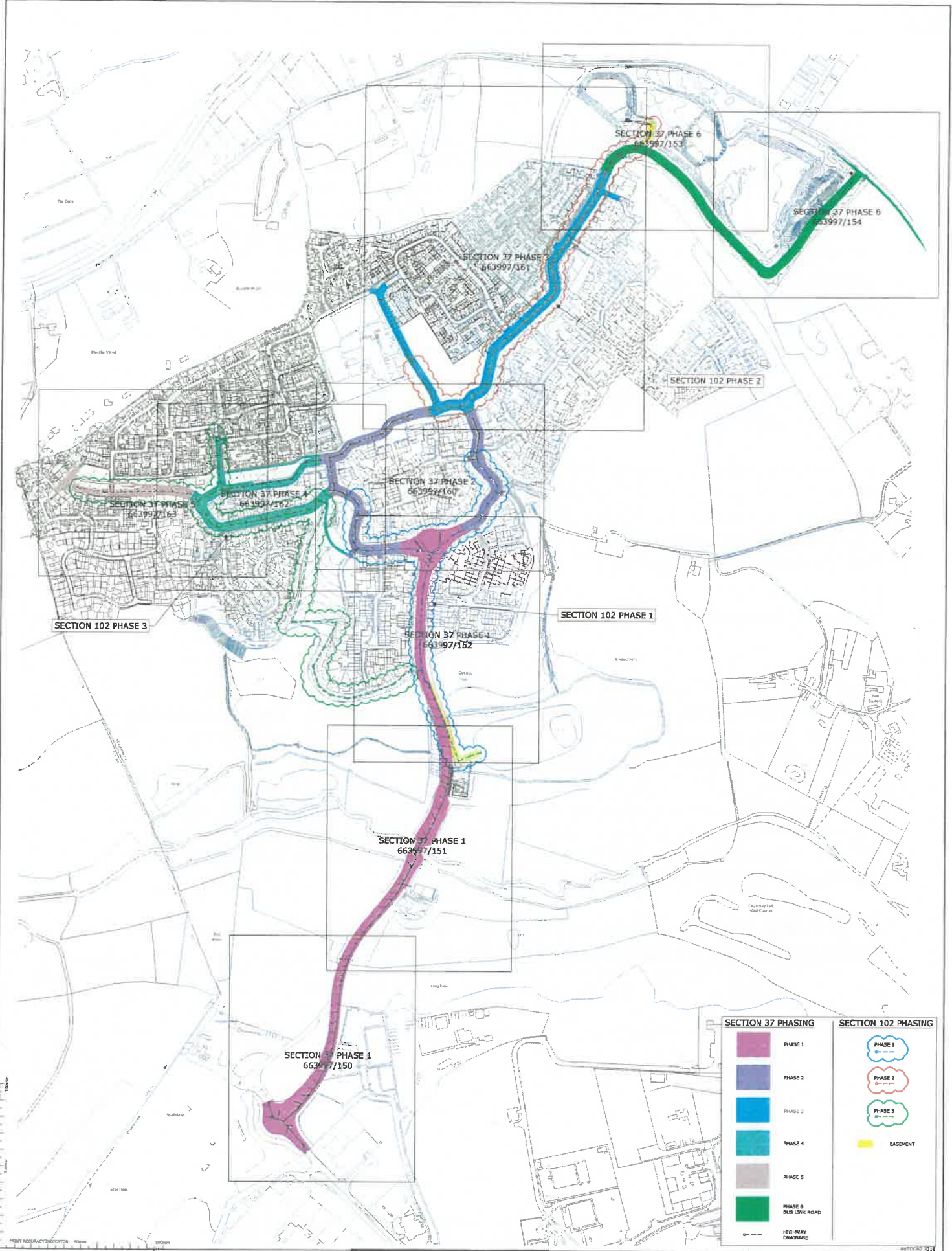
In order to achieve an appropriate total of electors in each division, polling district NG1 which corresponds to Queen's Hills is proposed to be moved from the Costessey division to the Yare Valley division. Therefore, Queen's Hills would be represented by a different County Councillor to the rest of Costessey. This has no impact on parish boundaries.

5. Roadworks & general highway maintenance issues

Due to the current Covid 19 restrictions, the County Council's programme of highway improvement schemes have recently been postponed. Essential highway maintenance works continue where Public Health England and Government advice and guidelines can be followed.

In the light of the current situation regarding Covid -19, the County Council's Highway teams are only able to deal with the most serious situations. Examples include highway flooding, fallen trees (on the highway), potholes where there is a danger to the public and damaged safety fencing etc.

These types of serious issues should be reported direct to:
highways@norfolk.gov.uk or by telephone to 0344 800 8020.



SECTION 37 PHASING		SECTION 102 PHASING	
	PHASE 1		PHASE 1
	PHASE 2		PHASE 2
	PHASE 3		PHASE 3
	PHASE 4		EASEMENT
	PHASE 5		
	PHASE 6 BUS LINK ROAD		
	HIGHWAY DRAINAGE		

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