

Report to	Norwich highways agency committee 27 November 2014	Item
Report of	Head of city development services	9
Subject	Catton Grove Road and St Augustine's Street proposed zebra crossings	

Purpose

To inform members of the results of the consultation on the local safety scheme at Catton Grove Road and the proposed zebra crossing on St Augustine's Street.

Recommendation

Members are recommended to ask the head of city development services to arrange for the installation of:

- (1) the local safety scheme on Catton Grove Road as advertised and detailed on Plan Nos. 14/HD/28/02b&03;
- (2) the zebra crossing on St Augustine's Street as shown on Plan No. 14/HD/23/D4/A.

Corporate and service priorities

The report helps to meet the corporate priority of a safe and clean city and the service plan priority to implement the Local Transport Plan and Norwich Area Transportation Strategy.

Financial implications

From the Local Transport Plan safety schemes budget, £65,000 is available to implement the Catton Grove Road safety scheme. £30,000 has been allocated from the road crossings budget to install the zebra crossing on St Augustine's Street.

Ward/s: Catton Grove and Mancroft

Cabinet member: Cllr Stonard, environment, development and transport.

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Background documents

Consultation responses

Report

Catton Grove Road local safety scheme

Background

1. The high number of personal injury accidents on the north section of Catton Grove Road between the outer ring road and Woodcock Road prompted an accident investigation study. It was found there had been 19 accidents in the last 5 years of which a high proportion involved cyclists and pedestrians, the majority of these being at the Catton Grove Road / Woodcock Road roundabout.
2. To improve road safety and encourage modal shift by improving pedestrian links a scheme was designed. Proposals can be seen on Plan Nos. 14/HD/28/02b&03 attached as appendix 1. The scheme consists of a 20mph zone with traffic calming and a new zebra crossing on a raised table. There is also an amendment to the limited parking arrangements on Catton Grove Road to give good visibility of the zebra.

Consultation

3. Residents and businesses in the area were contacted in October to inform them of the proposals and invited to comment on them. Due to an oversight the statutory notice was not advertised in the local press until 4 November 2014. The expiry date for this notice is 26 November and should any representations be received after this report is published they will be report orally at the meeting.
4. As this report is written 5 responses were received from the consultation, all five responses were in agreement with the proposals but most requested further works.
5. Further traffic calming was suggested in Catton Grove Road and Oak Lane. Extra double yellow lines in Catton Grove Road and a pedestrian crossing in Catton Grove Road south of the roundabout with Woodcock Road were also requested along with extension of the proposed 20mph area. One resident was concerned about the position of some speed cushions and also the efficiency of the road drainage. Other pedestrian issues were raised but are not covered by this project.
6. The traffic calming has been positioned where it is evidenced traffic speeds cause road safety issues. The extent of the 20mph zone was chosen to inform drivers of the need to slow down in this area of pedestrian and cycling activity. It is necessary to provide areas where residents and visitors to the area can park as there is limited space off street. The vibrancy of this community hub could be compromised if further restrictions are imposed.
7. The request for an extra pedestrian crossing on Catton Grove Road south of the roundabout junction with Woodcock is beyond the scope of the safety scheme planned.. However this suggestion has been recorded and an investigation will be carried out to attain if there is a demand and need for a crossing at this point. If appropriate the location will be added to the list of pedestrian crossings held for installation when funds are available.

St Augustine's Street zebra crossing

Background

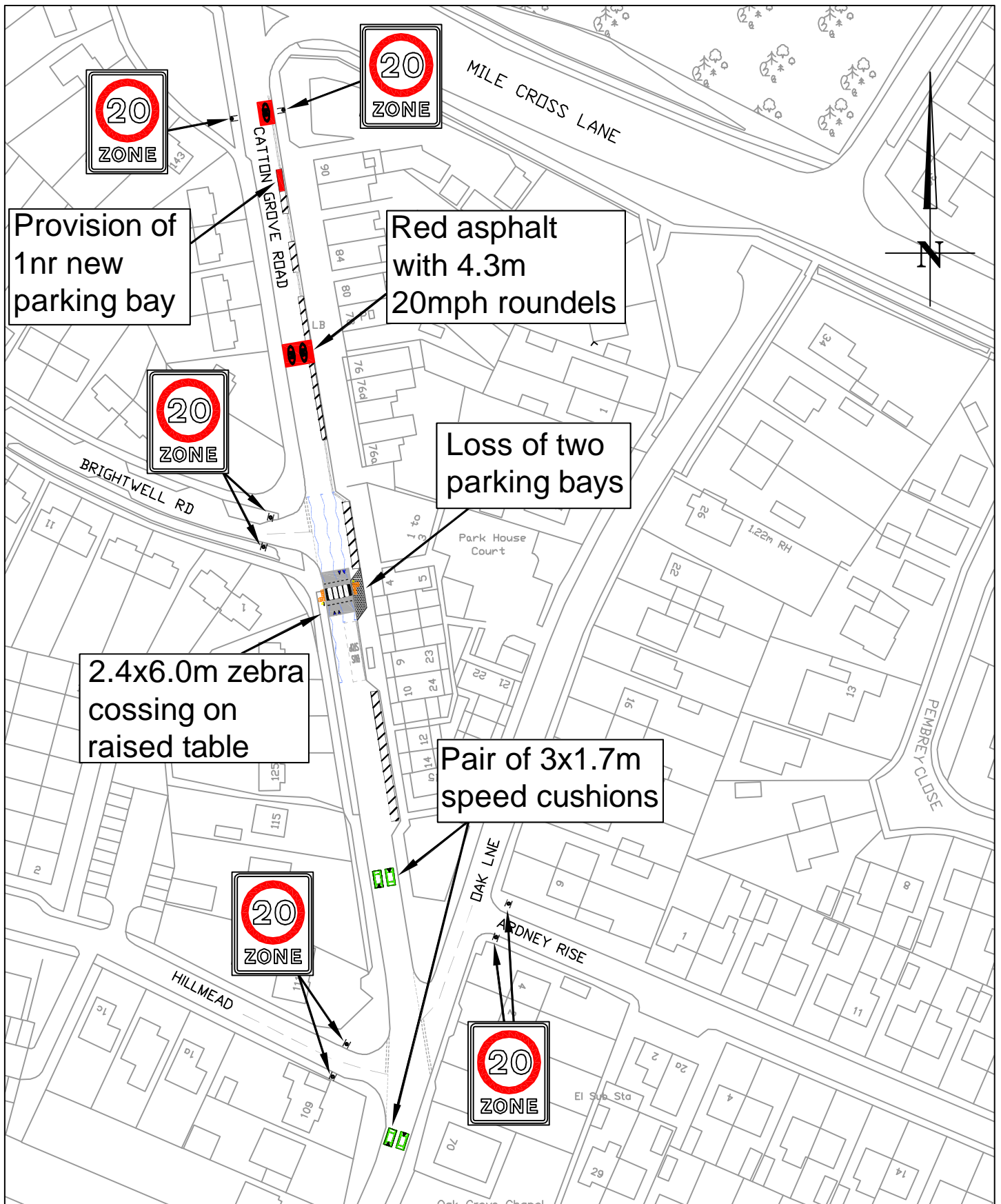
8. When the St Augustine's gyratory was introduced in 2010 a raised table was provided on St Augustine's Street at the junction with Sussex Street to assist people in crossing the road. However the nearby signalled junctions and level of traffic means pedestrians often have to wait long periods to be able to cross the road. A formal crossing is considered necessary at this location.
9. After initial consultation with stake holders it has been decided to install a zebra on raised table south of the junction with Sussex Street. The proposed layout can be seen on Plan No. 14/HD/23/04/A attached as appendix 2.

Consultation

10. The statutory notice for road crossing and associated raised table was advertised in the local press on 31 October 2014. Local residents, local businesses and stakeholders were advised of proposals.
11. At the time of writing this report no comments had been received. The official consultation period will end on 24 November 2014. An update of this consultation and any responses will be given at the meeting of this committee on 27 November.

The way forward

12. Often during the consultation period comments are received from members of the public informing officers of local concerns that need to be addressed. In many cases small adjustments to the design can help to improve the scheme and make it fit for purpose. In anticipation of no major objections to the two schemes above, and in knowledge that all comments received from the consultation will be considered and detail design changes made if necessary, members are requested to agree to the installation of the two schemes in this report.



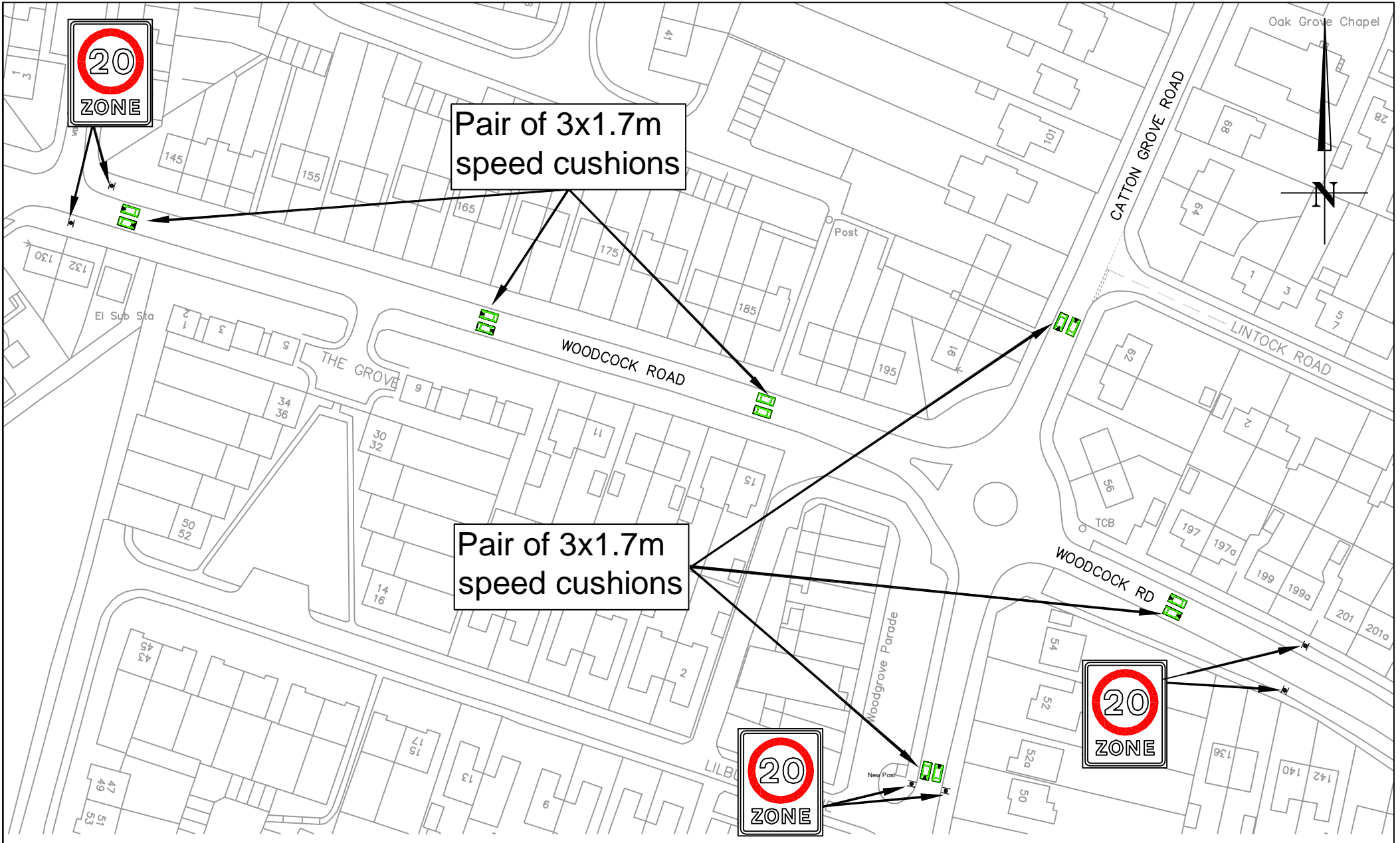
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Title
PG4332 CATTON GROVE ROAD LSS
Proposed 20mph Zone, Zebra & Calming measures.

Date	Scale(s)	No.	Date	Notes	REVISIONS	Int.	Ckd.
Drawn By KD	NTS	1	Sept 14	Removal of red surface		KD	
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Zebra Crossing on Catton Grove Road

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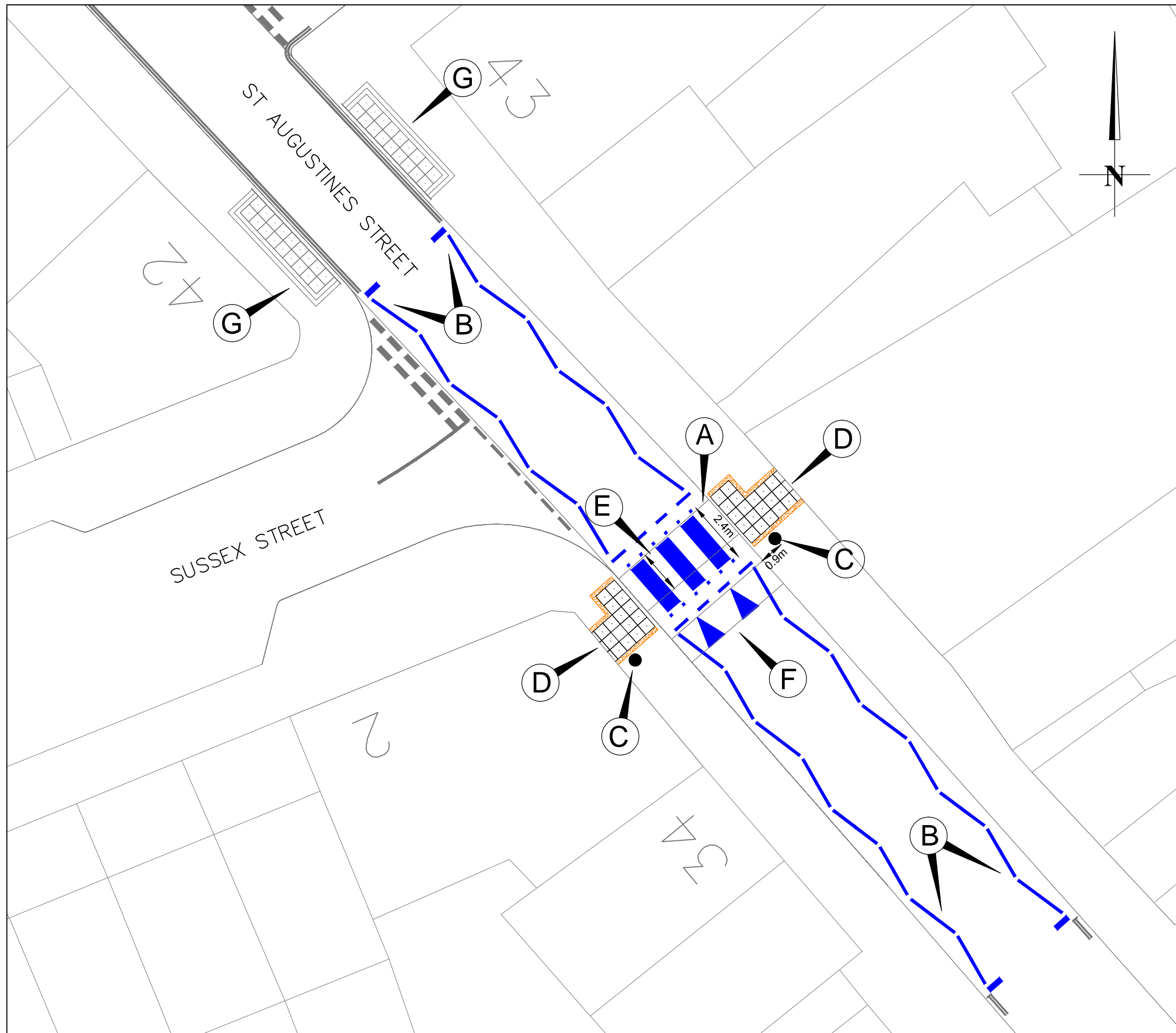
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Roundabout approach at woodcock Road/Catton Grove Road

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1	Sept 14	Additional cushions		KD		July 14	NTS
B	Nov 14	Amended for report		TC		Drawn By KD	Designed By KD
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LEGEND

- (A) Pedestrian zebra crossing
- (B) Diag 1001.3, 100mm wide white zig-zag
- (C) Zebra crossing beacon
- (D) Pedestrian crossing tactile paving
- (E) Location of ramp for existing speed table.
- (F) Location of ramp for proposed extended speed table
- (G) Existing tactile paver crossing point with flush kerb to be removed and 25mm kerb face to be installed.

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