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Dear Sir/Madam.

REPRESENTATIONS TO SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE LOCAL PLAN PUBLICATION STAGE, REGULATION 19, CONSULTATION

CarneySweeney have been retained by St Francis Group (Featherstone 2) Ltd, referred to as our client hereafter, to submit representations to the current Regulation 19 Consultation on the South Staffordshire Local Plan Review Publication Plan. As you will be aware from previous discussions and representations, our client is a landowner and developer of the former Royal Ordnance Factory (ROF) site at Featherstone which was granted planning permission (planning reference: 20/01131/OUT) for redevelopment for employment uses (Use Classes E, B2 and B8) on 14th October 2022. This allows for up to circa 159,000 sq.m. of mixed employment floorspace to be developed on an allocated site within the currently adopted Core Strategy and Site Allocations Document (SAD).

Overall, our client remains fully supportive of the general approach to the employment strategy in the Publication Stage of the emerging Local Plan and the continued policy support for the former ROF site as an employment allocation (Employment Site Allocation E18 and Policy SA7) and is preparing Reserved Matters for submission early 2023 in order to deliver the Link Road and the commercial development consented

We are writing to inform the authority of a discrepancy regarding the extent of the 'Green Infrastructure' boundary, shown with a purple line, in relation to the ROF site on Inset Plan 53 "ROF Featherstone" for this Regulation 19 consultation.

We have reviewed the proposed policies map against the planning approval (reference: 20/01131/OUT) and there is a discrepancy with regards to the area of 'Green Infrastructure'. As part of the planning approval, an Illustrative Masterplan (drawing reference: 15-062-PL-200D) and Parameters Plan (drawing reference: 15-062-PL-400C) were approved under Condition 3. The extent of the employment allocation appears to be based on what would be the area of built form under the outline planning approval. However, the purple 'Green Infrastructure' line extends beyond the approval and also includes land which is shown on the approved Illustrative Masterplan to include 'built development'. For ease of reference, appended to this letter is a copy of the approved Illustrative Masterplan (drawing reference: 15-062-PL-400C) (please see appendix 1).

Therefore, to ensure consistency, we request that the authority amend the draft Policies Map so that the boundary of the employment allocation and any 'Green Infrastructure' reflects the extent of the outline planning approval (reference: 20/01131/OUT) for the ROF site at Featherstone, as shown on the overlay plan included at Appendix 2 of these representations.



We trust that our representation will be taken into account as part of the ongoing preparation of an emerging Local Plan and would be happy to discuss our concern regarding the proposed policy map if this would be helpful.

Yours faithfully,

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Appendix 1: Copy of approved Illustrative Masterplan (drawing reference: 15-062-PL-200D) and

Parameters Plan (drawing reference: 15-062-PL-400C) under planning approval

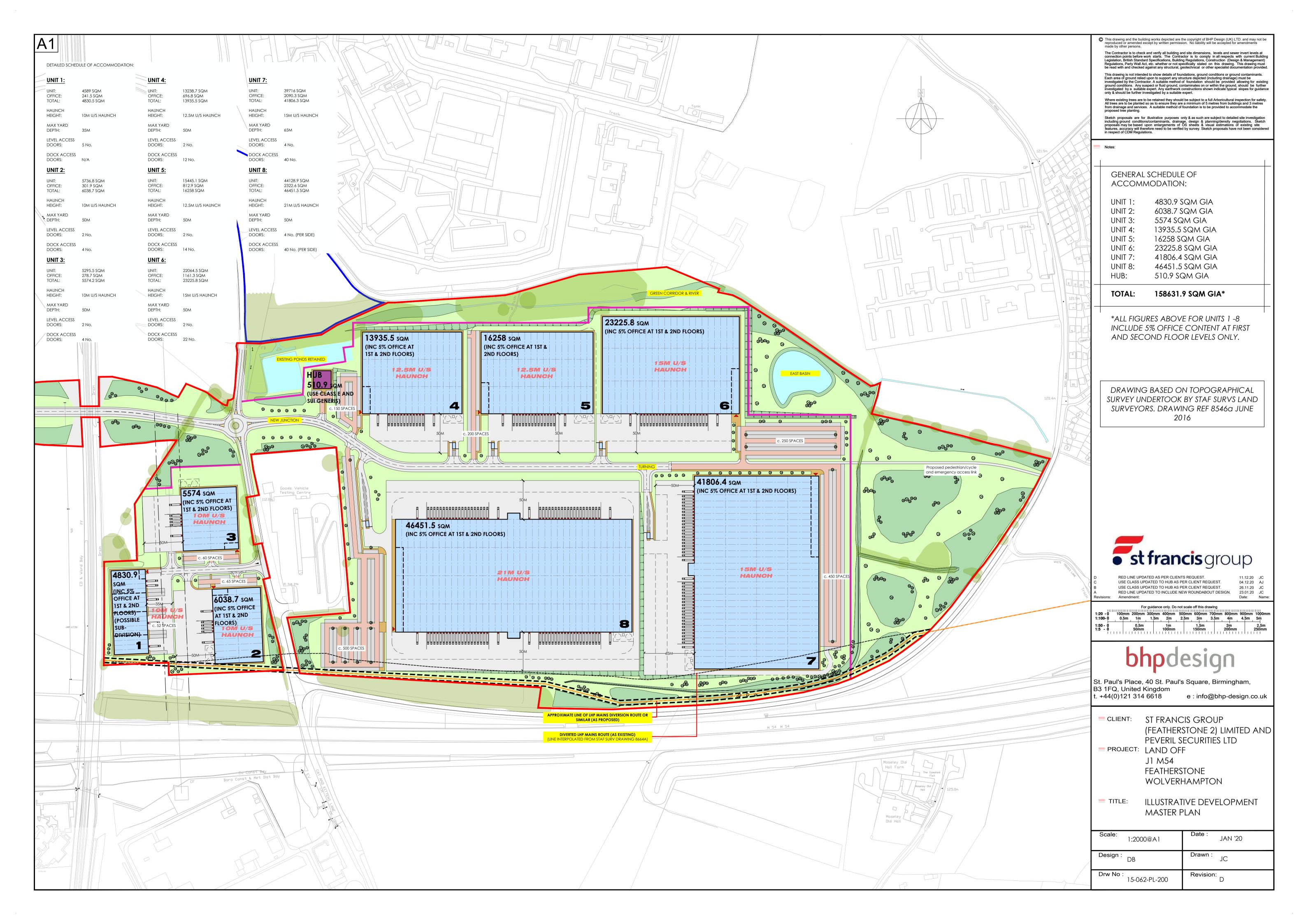
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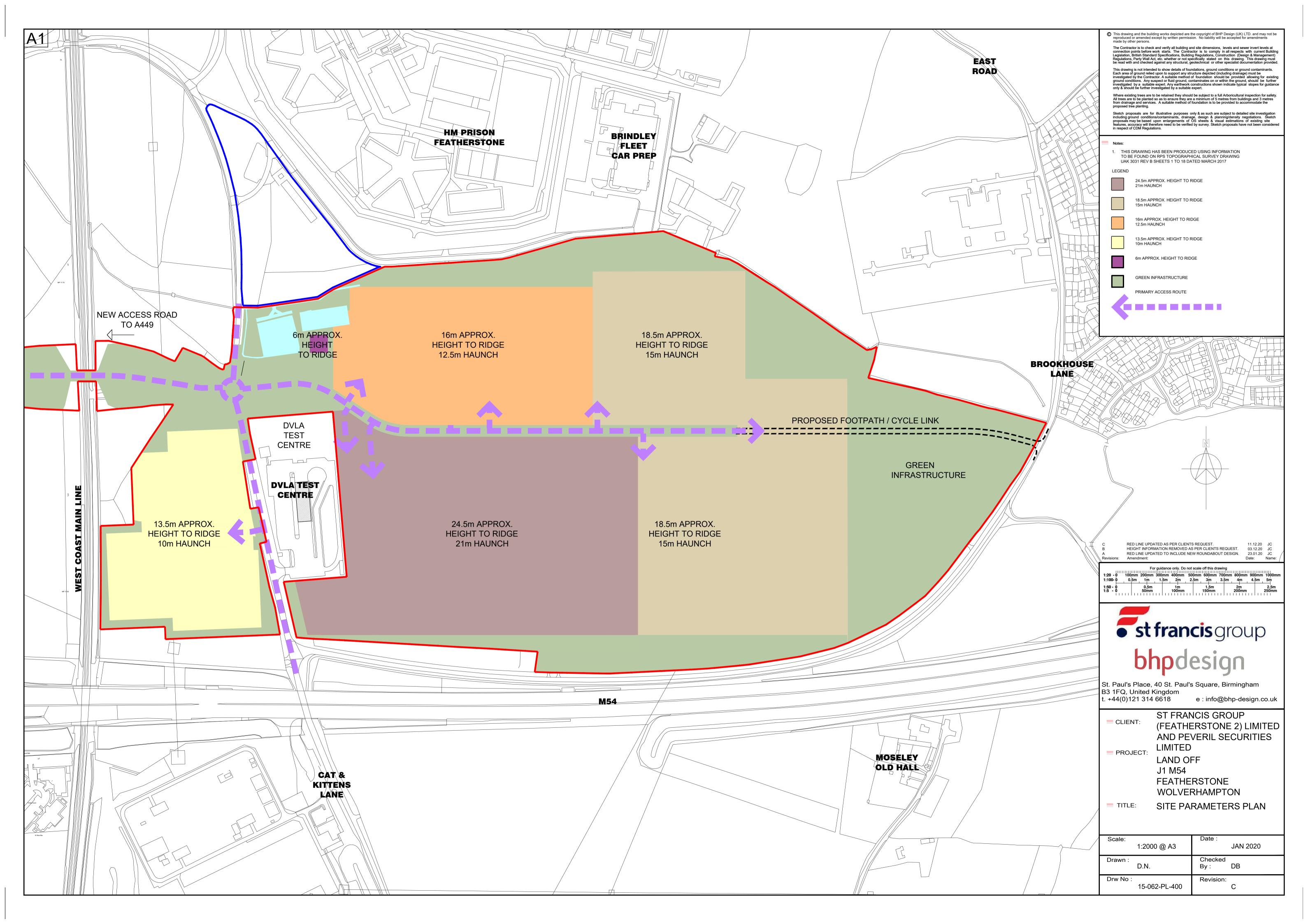
Appendix 2: Proposed amendment to the draft policies map.



Appendix 1







Appendix 2



