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CORSTORPHINE CONNECTIONS – PHASE 2

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INTRODUCTION

1. Introduction

1.1 Project details

Report Title:	Corstorphine Connections – Phase 2 Stage 3 Road Safety Audit
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Prepared by:	AtkinsRéalis
Overseeing Organisation:	City of Edinburgh Council

AtkinsRéalis has been commissioned by City of Edinburgh Council (CEC) to undertake a stage 3 road safety audit (RSA) on the footway and carriageway amendments across south Corstorphine, Edinburgh. This report documents the outcome of the RSA in the form of identified road safety problems and associated recommendations.

A combined stage 1 and 2 RSA has been previously undertaken on the scheme in September 2023 by AtkinsRéalis (formerly known as Atkins).

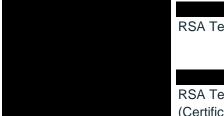
1.2 Terms of reference

The RSA has been conducted in accordance with GG 119 Road safety audit, in the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges subject to the exceptions noted in Section 1.7 of this audit report. The RSA team has examined and reported only on the road safety implications of the highway scheme proposals and has not examined or verified the compliance of the designs to any other criteria. Where there are issues that may be of interest to the design organisation, but not necessarily within the scope of the RSA, these have been provided to the Overseeing Organisation separately.

In addition to GG 119, this RSA has been informed by the RSA brief prepared by of and approved by of ...

1.3 RSA team

The RSA team, as approved by of , was as follows:



RSA Team Leader, AtkinsRéalis Transportation

RSA Team Member, AtkinsRéalis Transportation (Certificate of Competency in RSA, 2017)



The RSA Team Leader held a Microsoft Teams meeting with PC Stewart Sinclair to ascertain if Police Scotland had any concerns regarding the scheme. This meeting took place on 24 April 2024, and PC Sinclair raised no additional concerns.

1.4 Site visit

The RSA comprised a desktop review of the information provided and a site visit, undertaken during daylight hours on 9th April 2024 between 18:15 and 19:15 with both members of the RSA team in attendance. During the site visit the road surface was dry and the weather was fine. Traffic was free flowing with no congestion evident. Pedestrian levels were moderate and cycling levels were low.

A further site visit was undertaken during the hours of darkness on 9th April 2024 between 22:00 and 22:35. During the site visit the road surface was dry, the weather was fine. Traffic levels were low with no congestion evident. Pedestrian and cycle levels were low.

1.5 Scope

This RSA reviews the permanent footway and carriageway amendments introduced to provide a safer and more attractive walking and cycling environment across the area of south Corstorphine in west Edinburgh. The scheme forms Phase 2 of the Corstorphine Connections project which relates to the trialling of a low traffic neighbourhood.

The streets included in Phase 2 of the project and this RSA are:

- Ladywell Road
- Corstorphine High Street
- Manse Road
- Saughton Road North
- Kirk Loan
- Dovecot Road
- Manse Street
- Featherhall Avenue

- Featherhall Terrace
- Tyler's Acre Avenue
- Lampacre Road
- Carrick Knowe Gardens
- Station Road
- Corstorphine Park Gardens
- St Johns Road

The above streets are subject to a posted 20mph speed limit, with street lighting and footways provided. The area comprises residential properties, two primary schools, parks and a variety of shops and amenities.

The measures include:

- footway widening and buildouts;
- pedestrian crossing infrastructure including dropped kerbs and tactile paving;
- parking restrictions;
- cycle stand installation;
- refuge island amendments and installation; and
- associated road marking and sign installation.



1.6 Report outline

Section 2 of this report documents any outstanding issues identified from previous Audit Reports and Section 3 documents the findings of the current RSA stage. Section 4 comprises the RSA team statement.

Details of the information provided about the scheme are included in Appendix A and the problems and recommendation locations for the current RSA stage are shown on the plan included in Appendix B.

1.7 Notes and clarifications

The recommendations included within this report should not be regarded as being prescriptive design solutions to the problems raised. They are intended only to indicate a proportionate and viable means of eliminating or mitigating the identified problem; alternative methods should be considered by the design organisation. GG 119 provides requirements and advice on the process for responding to this RSA report including the production and agreement of a separate RSA response report. The RSA response report provides the full audit trail of decision making at each stage of the process and captures the changes made as a result of the recommendations made here.

At the time of the site visit, school street signage was in place at Manse Street, and not at Featherhall Road or Lampacre Road. The speed cushions proposed at Corstorphine High Street, east of Ladywell Avenue were not installed.



ITEMS OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS AUDITS

2. Items outstanding from previous audits

After examination of the previous Combined Stage 1 and 2 RSA Report, issued in September 2023 and the associated Response Report, no outstanding issues have been identified.



ITEMS RAISED AT THIS STAGE 3 RSA

3. Items raised at this Stage 3 RSA

This section details the items raised in this stage 3 RSA.

Problem: 3.1

Location(s): Scheme extents

Drawing(s): 60636731-SHT-C-P2-LTN-0701 to 0706

Summary: Surface water may result in slips and falls.



Ladywell Avenue

Tyler's Acre Gardens

Description:

During the site visit, pooling water was observed at several amended crossing facilities, examples of which are pictured above. Standing water increases the risk of crossing pedestrians sustaining an injury fromslips and falls. These risks are exacerbated during colder temperatures when water can form ice.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that positive drainage is provided across the scheme extents.



Problem: 3.2

Location(s): Saughton Road North – between Roull Road and Broomfield Crescent

Drawing(s): 60636731-SHT-C-P2-LTN-0703

Summary: Risk of pedestrians striking refuge island beacons.

Description:

The beacons installed at the two upgraded refuge islands are located within the tactile paved pedestrian crossing area. Pedestrians using the crossing, particularly those with visual impairments who are following the alignment of the tactile paving, could walk into the beacons resulting in injury.

Furthermore, the beacons reduce the effective width and storage space of the refuge islands. As a result, they may prevent multiple users, those with prams and/or wheelchairs from being able to simultaneously congregate whilst crossing the carriageway. This increases the risk of pedestrians standing within the carriageway, increasing the risk of collision.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the beacons are relocated to the kerbed island areas of the refuges.



Problem: 3.3

Location(s): Corstorphine High School – opposite primary school

Drawing(s): 60636731-SHT-C-P2-LTN-0701

Summary: Restricted visibility could result in collisions between pedestrians and vehicles.

Description:

It was observed on site that visi-rail on the west side of the crossing facility has been installed incorrectly. Consequently, the visi-rail restricts driver / pedestrian intervisibility on approach to the crossing facility. This increases the likelihood of pedestrian and vehicle collisions should a pedestrian inadvertently enter the carriageway, or a vehicle fail to obey a red signal. The risk is exacerbated due to the positioning of the school gate behind the visi-rail and increased volumes of school aged pedestrians at this location.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the visi-rail is reinstalled at the correct orientation.



RSA TEAM STATEMENT

4. RSA Team Statement

We certify that this road safety audit has been carried out in accordance with GG 119.

AUDIT TEAM LEADER:

Name:

Signed:

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Position: Engineer

Date: 24/04/2024

Organisation: AtkinsRéalis

AUDIT TEAM MEMBER:

Name:

Signed:

Signed:

Position: Associate

Organisation: AtkinsRéalis

Date: 24/04/2024



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Name	2					Date	1	.0/05/2024
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Orgai	nisation	AECOM						
Signed								
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3.3	Restricted visibility could result in collisions between pedestrians and	It is recommended that the visi-rail is reinstalled at the correct orientation.			noted and accepted - Contractor to re-orientate visirail.	Agree with designer response		Action as per desiogners response



	DESIGN ORGANISATION STATEMENT						
	On behalf of the design organisation I certify that:						
1) the RSA actions id	entified in response to the road safety audit problems in the road safe agreed with the Overseeing Organisation.	ety audit ha	ave been discussed and				
Name		Date	22/05/2024				
Position	Regional Director						
Organisation	Aecom						
Signed							
	OVERSEEING ORGANISATION STATEMENT						
On behalf of the Overseeing Organisation I certify that:							
1) the RSA actions identified in response to the road safety audit problems in the road safety audit have been discussed and agreed with the design organisation; and 2) the agreed RSA actions will be progressed.							
Name		Date	21/05/2024				
Position	Senior Project Manager, Active Travel						
Organisation	City of Edinburgh Council						
Signed							



APPENDICES

Appendix A. Drawings and documents

A.1 Drawings

Reference	Description	Revision	Date
60636731-SHT-C-P2-LTN-0101	Overview	-	02/06/2023
60636731-SHT-C-P2-LTN- 0201to0206	Site Clearance	-	02/06/2023
60636731-SHT-C-P2-LTN- 0501to0506	Drainage	-	02/06/2023
60636731-SHT-C-P2-LTN- 0701to0706	General Arrangement Drawings	-	02/06/2023
60636731-SHT-C-P2-LTN- 0708to0713	Setting Out	-	02/06/2023
60636731-SHT-C-P2-LTN- 0715to0720	Construction Areas	-	02/06/2023
60636731-SHT-C-P2-LTN- 0901to0902	Construction Details	-	02/06/2023
60636731-SHT-C-P2-LTN- 1201to1206	Road Markings and Signage	-	02/06/2023
60636731-SHT-C-P2-LTN-1208	Sign Schedule	-	02/06/2023
CCLTN_Lighting design pack - Updated_V2.0	Lighting works	-	Sep-2023

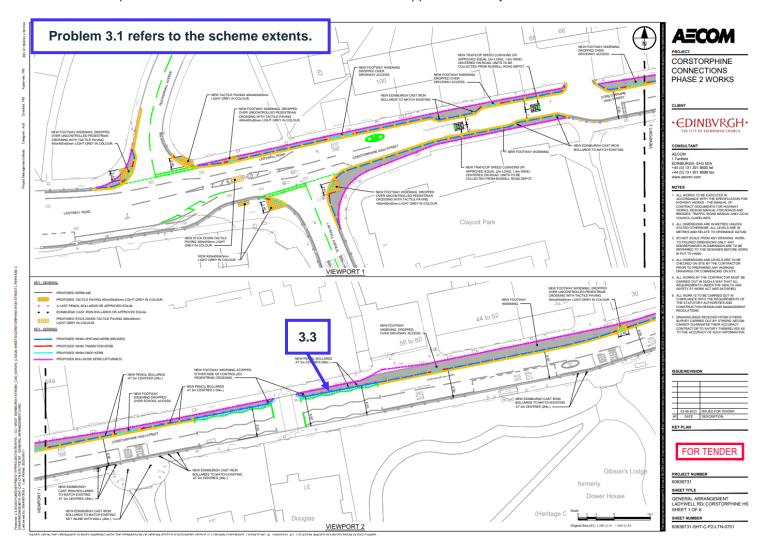
A.2 Documents

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RSA Brief	Corstorphine Connections - Phase 2 RSA/21/045c	-	-
Previous RSA	Stage 1 and 2 RSA and Response Report	-	Sept-2023
Accident Data	Corstorphine Connections Accident Data	-	June-2023

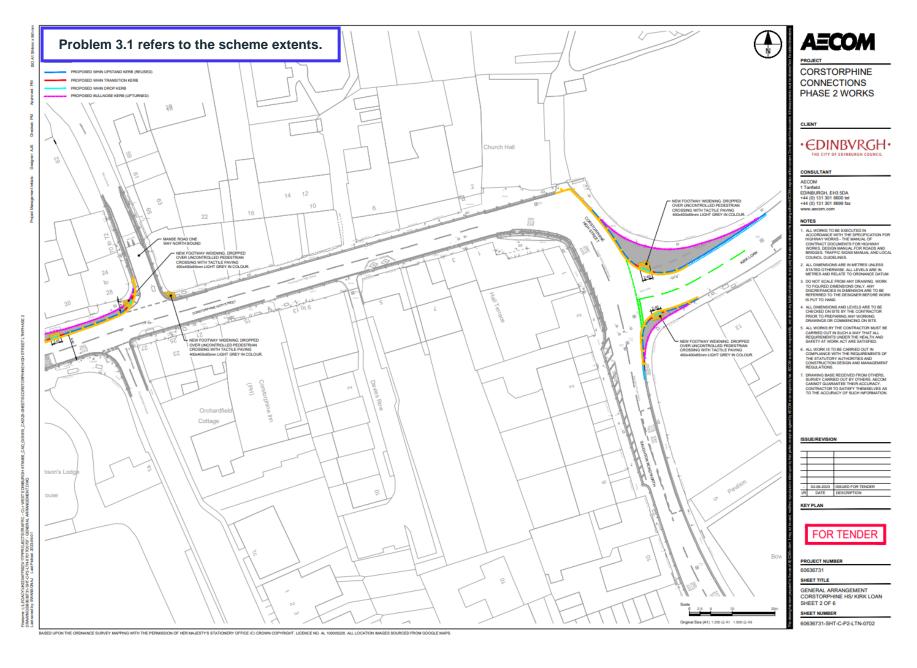


Appendix B. Location of problems

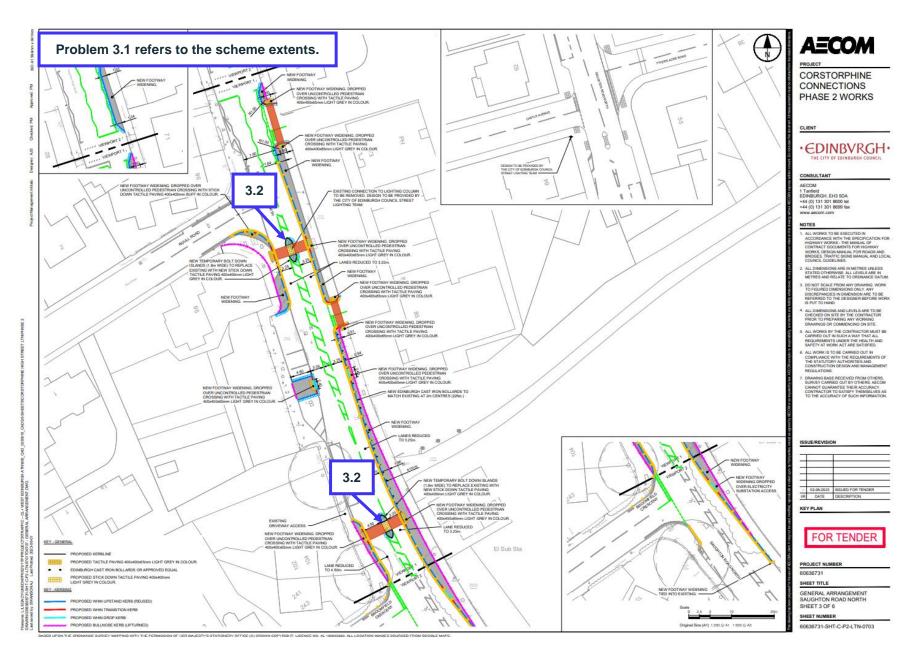
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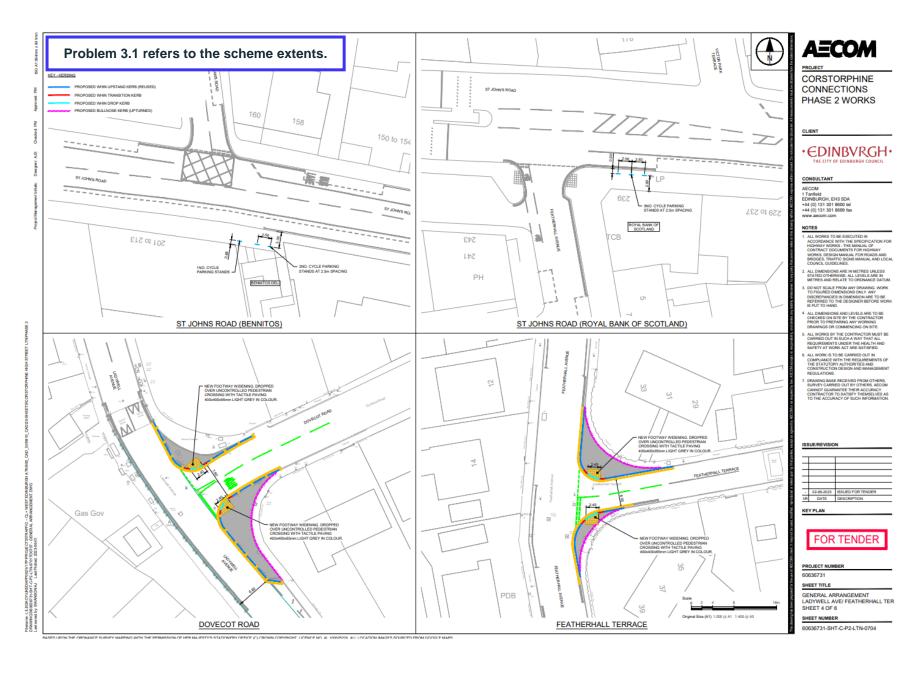




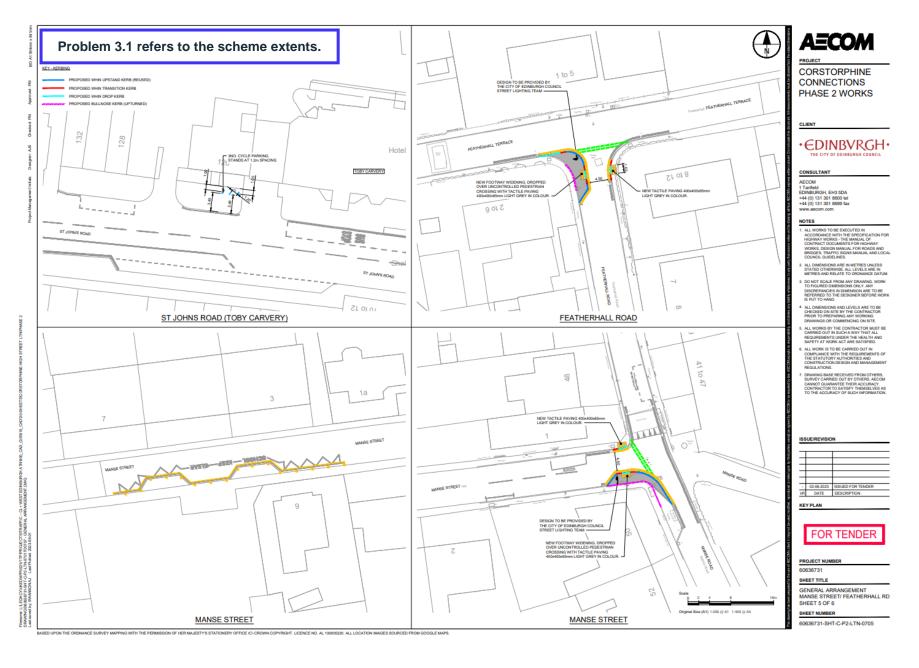




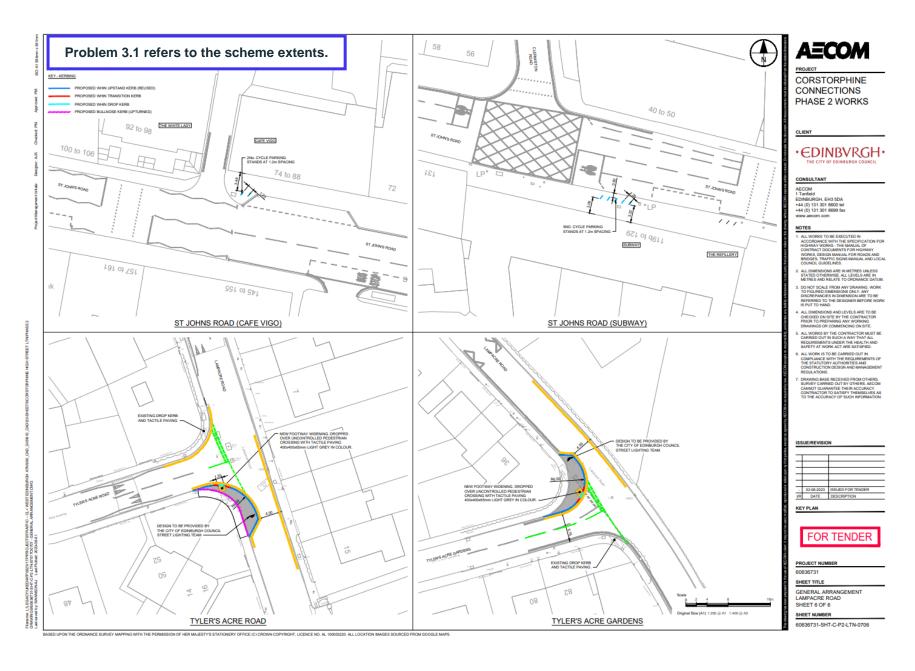














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