

The Highland Council (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) (Decriminalised Parking Enforcement and Consolidation) Variation Thirteen Order 2026 (DRAFT)

Statement of Reasons

The Highland Council, in exercise of its powers under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, proposes to introduce a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to implement waiting restrictions on Old Mill Road, Inverness.

The proposed restriction is to prohibit waiting at any time (24 hours a day, 7 days a week) on both sides of Old Mill Road for its entire length. This restriction will be indicated by the installation of double yellow lines.

Reasons for the Proposal

The introduction of these restrictions is considered necessary for the following reasons:

1. **To improve road safety**

Vehicles parked on the carriageway at the brow of the hill and on the bend significantly reduce forward visibility for approaching drivers. This creates a heightened risk of conflict between vehicles and other road users. The proposed restrictions will ensure that these critical areas remain clear, improving visibility and reducing the likelihood of collisions.

2. **To maintain the free flow of traffic**

Parked vehicles narrow the effective width of the carriageway, making it difficult for vehicles to pass safely, particularly on the bend and gradient. Removing on-street parking will allow traffic to move more freely and safely in both directions.

3. **To improve access for residents**

Vehicles parked on-street obstruct sightlines for residents attempting to enter and exit driveways. This limited visibility makes it difficult to safely manoeuvre onto the road. The proposed restrictions will improve sightlines and allow safer access to and from private properties.

4. **To improve access for emergency and service vehicles**

The current parking situation can restrict access for emergency vehicles, refuse collection, and other essential services. The proposed restrictions will ensure the carriageway remains clear at all times.

5. **To enhance pedestrian safety and accessibility**

Removing obstructive parking will help ensure that pedestrians have clear visibility and safer movement along the road.

This Order will allow enforcement of contraventions when required and is considered necessary in the interests of road safety, accessibility, and traffic management, and reflects the Council's commitment to providing a safe environment for all road users.

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984

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THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL in exercise of its powers under Sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 4, 19, 32, 35, 45, 46, 47 and 124 and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (“the Act of 1984”) as amended and of the Road Traffic Act 1991 and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the Chief Constable of Police Scotland in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act of 1984, hereby makes the following Order.

1. This Order shall come into operation on the **date** and may be cited as “The Highland Council (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) (Decriminalised Parking Enforcement and Consolidation) Variation Thirteen Order 2026”
2. The Interpretation Act 1978 shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the Interpretation of an Act of Parliament.
3. The prohibitions and restrictions imposed by this Order shall be in addition to and not in derogation from any restriction or requirement imposed by any regulation made or having effect as if made under the Act of 1984 or by or under any other enactment provided that where a prohibition or restriction which is imposed, varied or revoked by this Order is in conflict with a prohibition or restriction imposed by a previous Order, then the provision of this Order shall prevail.
4. If a court, Transport Scotland or the Parking and Bus Lane Tribunal Service for Scotland, declares any part of this Order to be invalid or un-enforceable, such declaration shall not invalidate the remainder of this Order.

5. The Highland Council (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) (Decriminalised Parking Enforcement and Consolidation) Order 2016 as amended (hereinafter referred to as the “Principal Order”) is hereby varied as follows: the plans specified and attached in Schedule 1 to this Order are deleted from the Principal Order and the plans specified and attached to Schedule 2 of this Order are substituted therefore and hereby added and incorporated into Schedule 1 to the Principal Order.

6. The Principal Order is hereby varied as follows: the plans specified and attached in Schedule 3 to this Order are added and substituted and incorporated into Schedule 2 to the Principal Order.

This Order and the Schedules annexed hereto are sealed with the Common Seal of The Highland Council and subscribed for and on behalf of The Highland Council by **name, job title, at location on date**

..... Proper Officer

This is the Schedule 1 referred to in the foregoing The Highland Council (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) (Decriminalised Parking Enforcement and Consolidation) Variation Thirteen Order 2026

SCHEDULE 1

On Street Plans attached with the following Map Numbers thereon are deleted from The Highland Council (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) (Decriminalised Parking Enforcement and Consolidation) Order 2016

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This is the Schedule 2 referred to in the foregoing The Highland Council (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) (Decriminalised Parking Enforcement and Consolidation) Variation Thirteen Order 2026

SCHEDULE 2

Substitute On Street Plans with the following Map Numbers thereon are added and incorporated into Schedule 1 to The Highland Council (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) (Decriminalised Parking Enforcement and Consolidation) Order 2016 as amended

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This is the Schedule 3 referred to in the foregoing The Highland Council (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) (Decriminalised Parking Enforcement and Consolidation) Variation Thirteen Order 2026

SCHEDULE 3

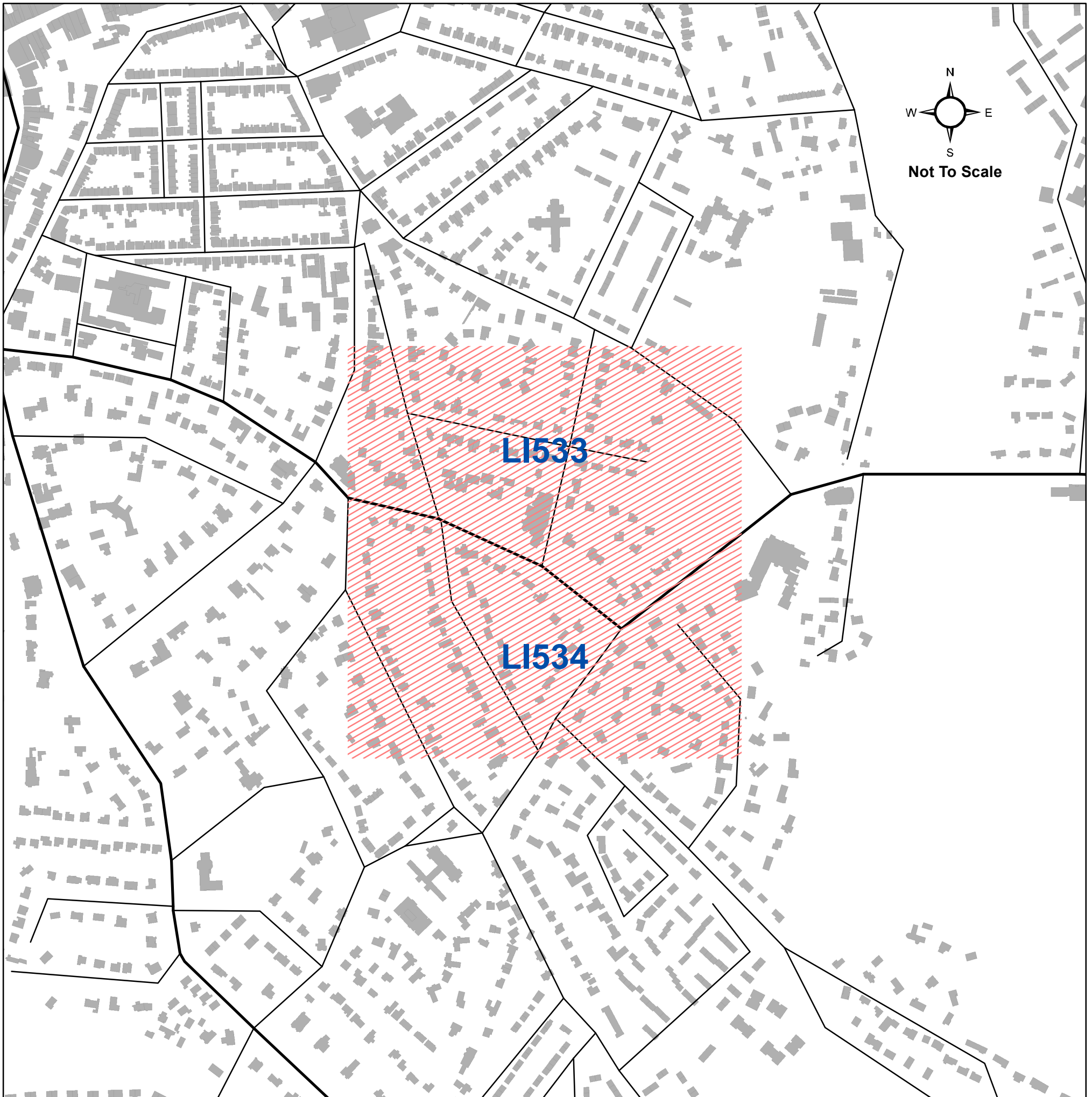
Index Plans attached with the following titles thereon as in Schedule 2 are added and substituted and incorporated into Schedule 2 to The Highland Council (Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Loading and Parking Places) (Decriminalised Parking Enforcement and Consolidation) Order 2016 as amended

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Schedule (3) - The Highland Council
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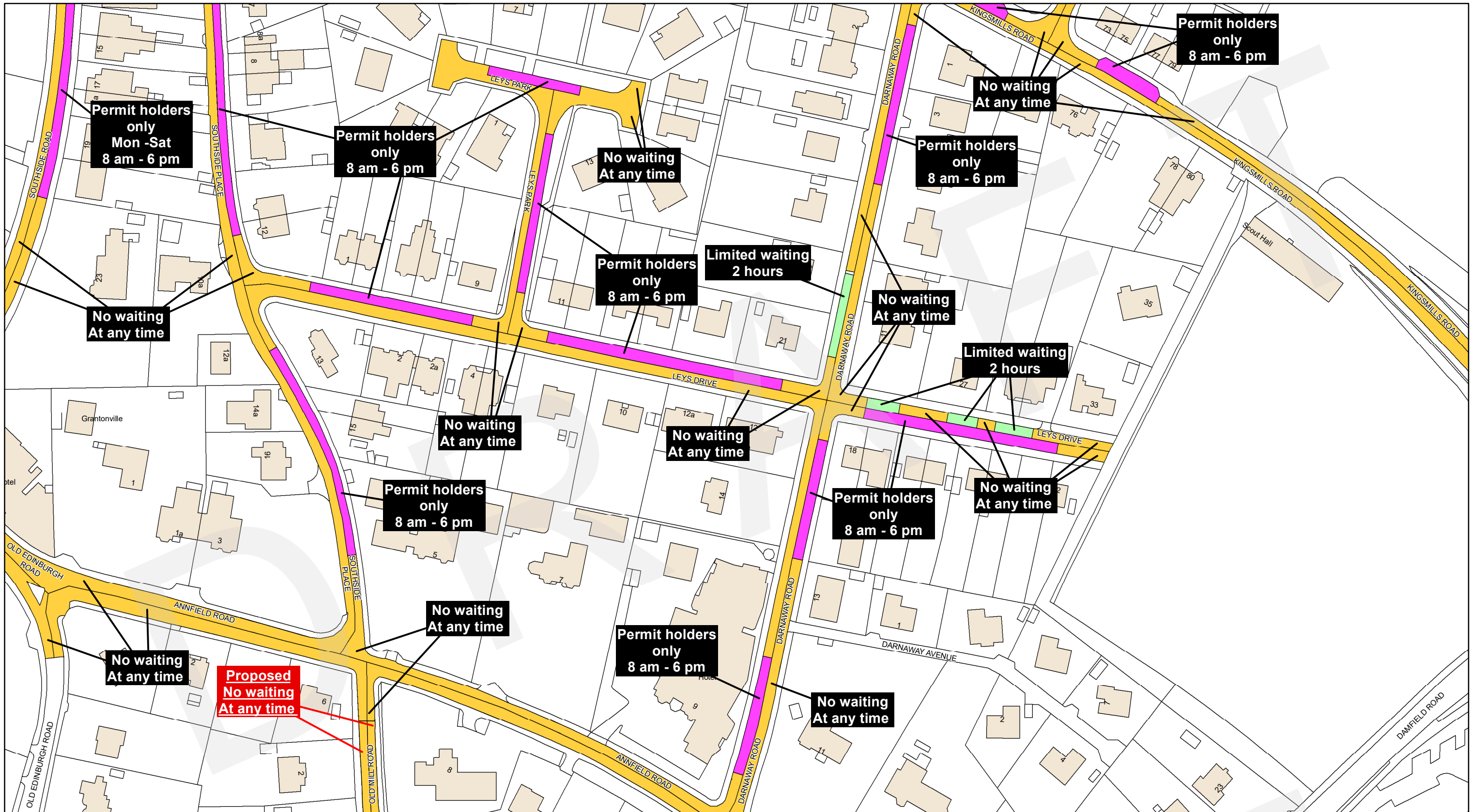
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












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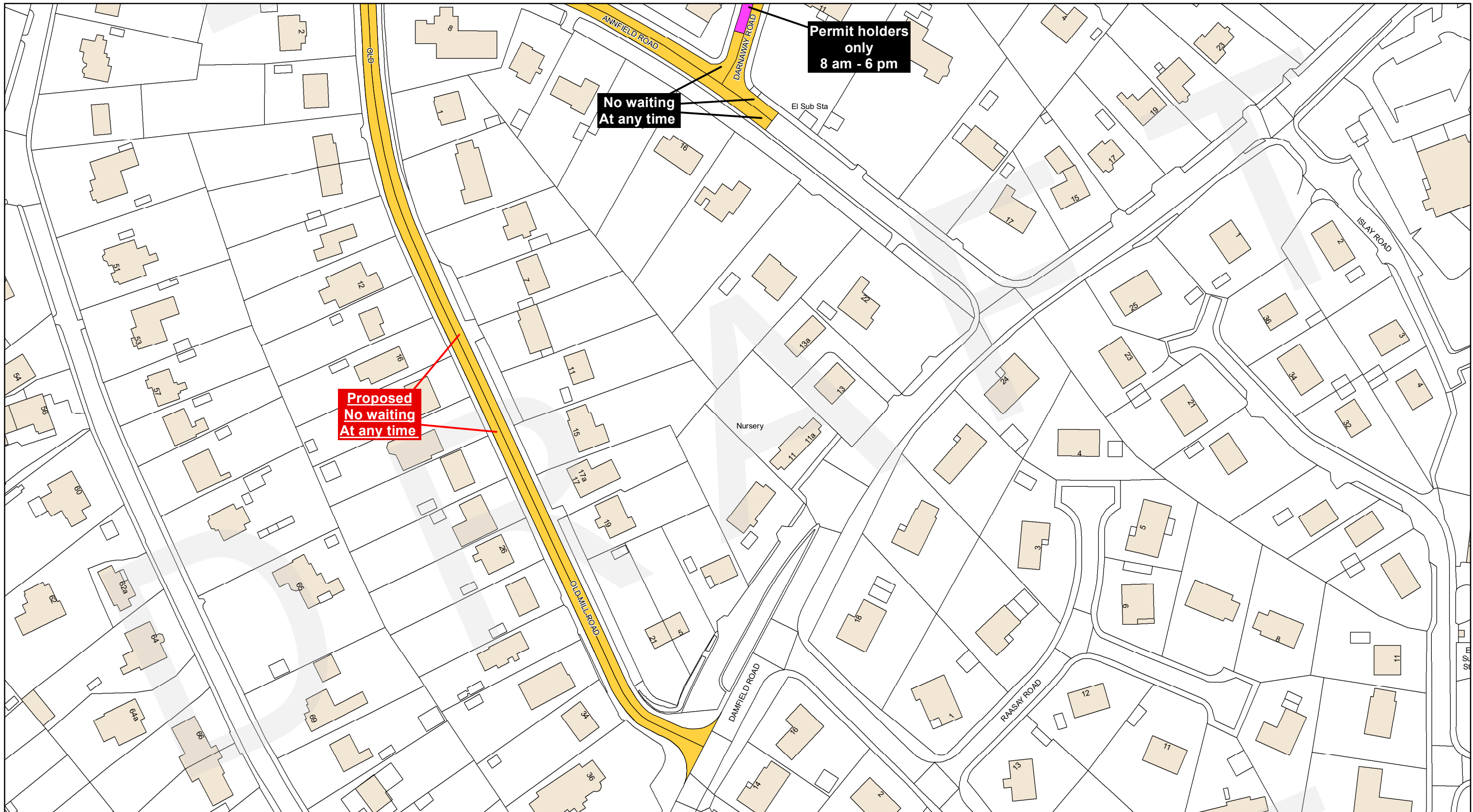
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







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