Proposal for a new Entrance for Additional Parking for Southview Barn

Proposal

The proposal is to create an entrance on the garden side of Southview Barn for additional off-road parking, thereby relieving traffic congestion at the existing entrance and driveway

The proposed entrance would be a SAFETY improvement for the following reasons:

a) for Southview Barn

Parking just 1 vehicle in the 'sheltered bay' on the West side of Southview barn (and all other vehicles in the proposed additional parking area) would be both safer for the occupants to exit their vehicles and for their vehicles to avoid being scrapped by passing vehicles.

b) for Neighbours with Right of Access over the existing Southview Barn Entrance

4 dwellings have Right of Access over the existing driveway to Southview Barn, with 2 dwellings having outbuilding and stables housing horses, necessitating horse trailer and tractor access as well. This generates a sizeable amount of traffic and it has been hard to regulate the speed on the driveway. This leads to safety concerns for those neighbours exiting the driveway on foot or with animals when the view down the driveway is obscured with cars parked beside Southview Barn. The blind corner to the left requires a wide sweep to see around, which is impossible if there are 2 cars parked at the end gable of Southview barn.

c) for traffic driving though the village

The public road narrows down to 1 lane to go through this section of the village, with no pavement and current speed limit of 30mph. The occupants of two adjacent cottages (without off road parking) have 2 vehicles each, and when parking opposite Southview Barn entrance the village road is only wide enough for a single flow of cars to pass. This makes clear visibility out of the existing Southview Barn entrance even more crucial. Furthermore there is an increasing number of 'racing' cyclists through the village who are especially vulnerable.

d) For service vehicles to Southview Barn (and Meadows Edge)

Currently service vehicles (oil & septic tank emptying) for Southview Barn perch on the side of the public road, or bridal path to access tanks on the garden side of Southview Barn. Having a deep enough entrance to the new driveway would provide a safer parking area for these vehicles.

In answer to RoW concern over use of the Bridlepath GRIT3

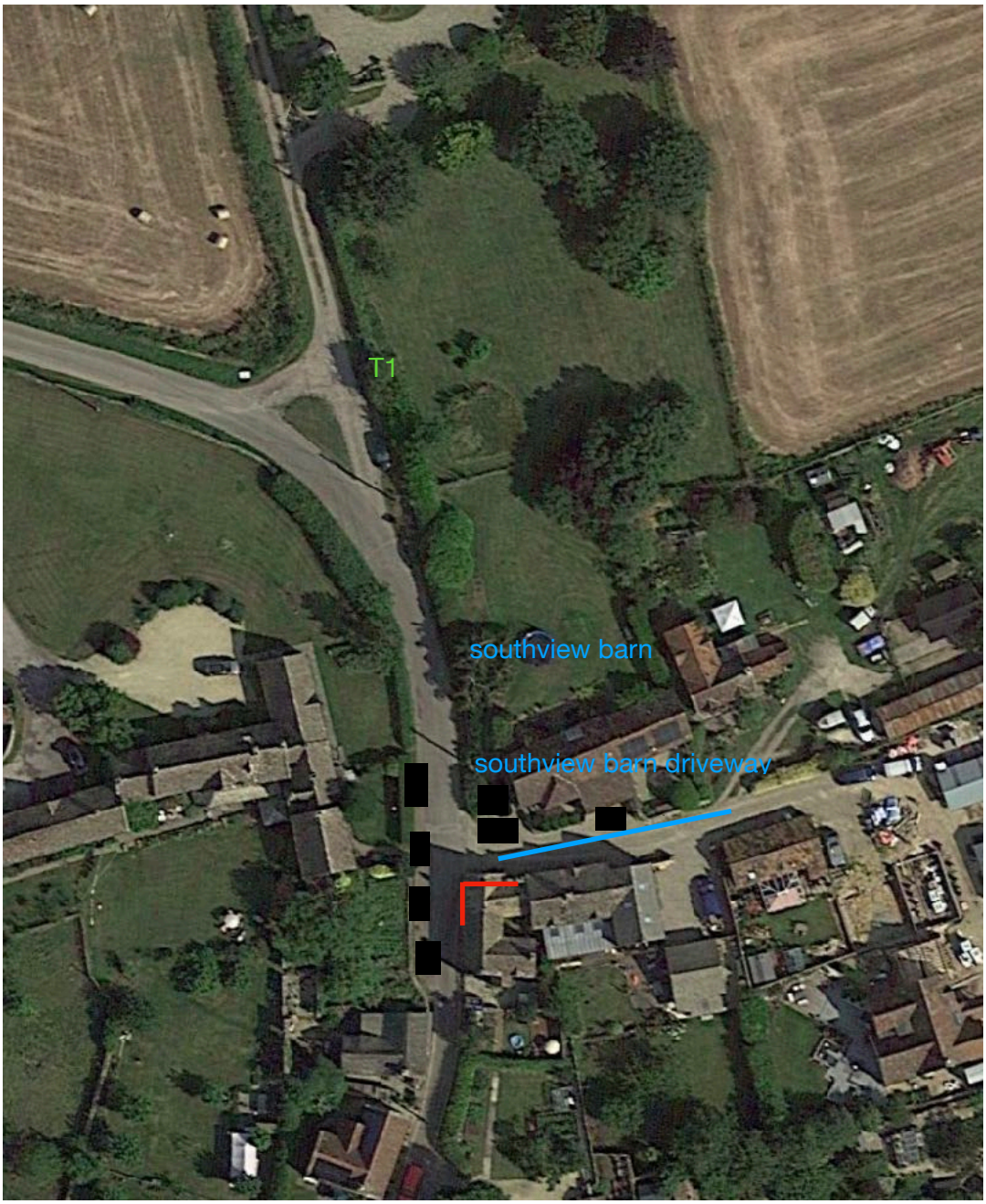
The proposed entrance to the parking area is indeed over the bridleway GRIT3. But with the proposed entrance being at approximately 12 metres from the public highway and at an open triangular, grassy point at the start of the bridleway (with 2 entry points), there is plenty of move to safely manoeuvre from the bridleway onto the highway and vice versa. Currently it is used by many villagers' vehicles, delivery & service vehicles as a safe clockwise turning circle when reaching the end of the village. A conservative estimate of the number of vehicles using this as such would be about 1 an hour.

Proposed Entrance design & materials

- The proposed entrance would continue the existing cotswold stone wall (at current 90-95cm height) curving inwards by approximately 2 m to a 4 m, 5 bar wooden gate. To achieve this, a 5m section of dry stone wall and a couple of overgrown hawthorn hedgerow plants (with ivy & brambles growing over) will be removed.
- The driveway/parking area would be laid with MOT type 1 aggregate to allow any surplus rainwater to seep through it and into the surrounding grass.
- Care will be taken when digging to not disturb the following utilities: water access lid & pipe which supplies the water to Manor Farm's fields further down the bridlepath, the overhead electricity cables, and the water and electricity pipes/ducts to Meadows Edge (garden side).

To conclude, due to the inevitable increase of mechanised vehicles in this section of the village, we are trying to find an acceptable solution to a few developing problems.

Aerial View 1: showing the existing arrangement for parking at Southview Barn and impact onto the Public highway



= parked cars

= blind corner

T1 = 1 (maybe 2?) overgrown hawthorn hedgerow plant with ivy and brambles growing over and around it. Approximately 12 ft high

Photos showing parking congestion

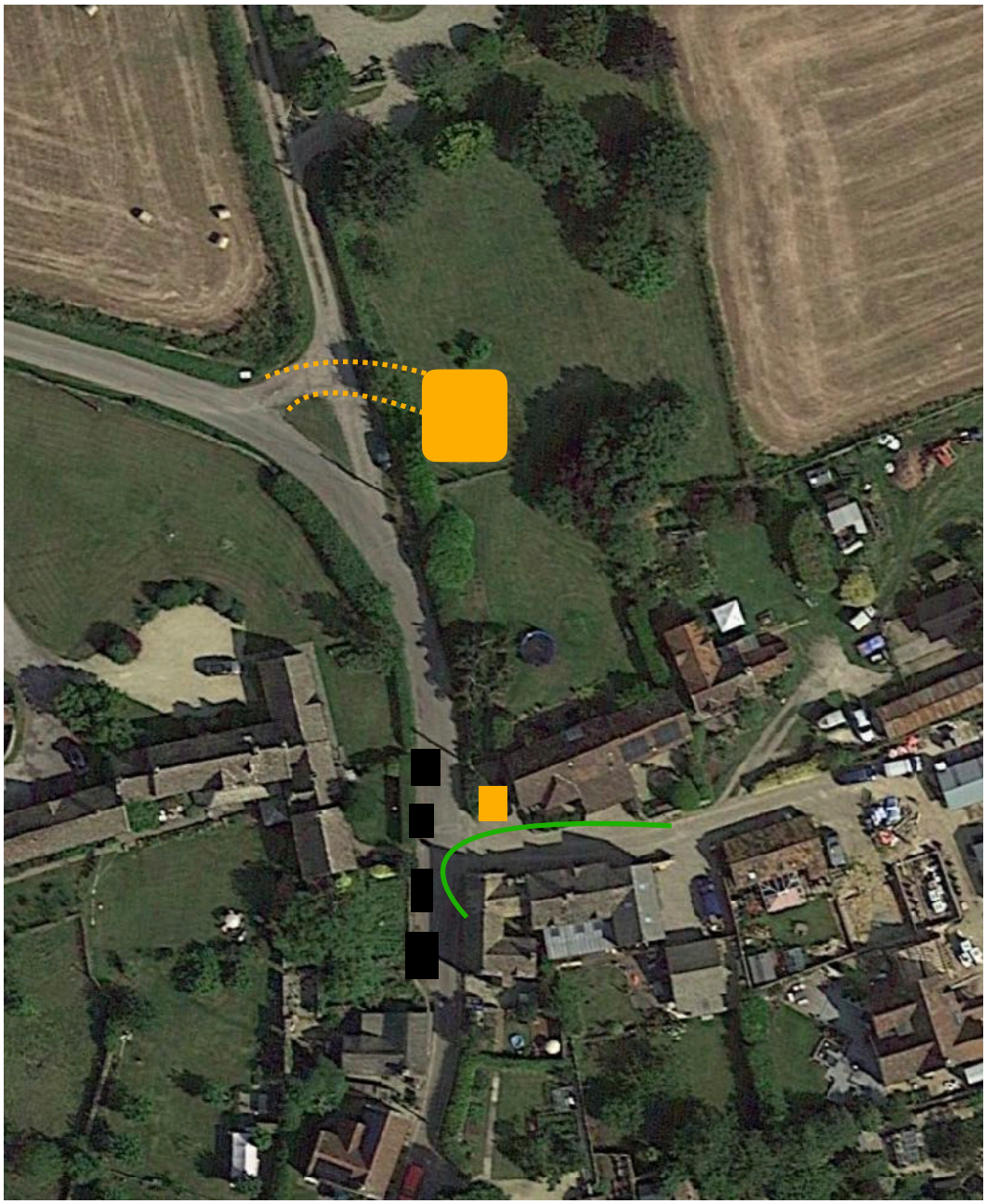


The row of cars parked in front of Southview Barn entrance



Southview Barn current parking arrangements.

Aerial View 2: showing the proposed entrance for additional parking to Southview Barn and it's benefits



= proposed parking areas for Southview Barn (1 car on the west side of barn, other cars in proposed parking on garden side)

= wide sweep for neighbours to enter/exit Southview



Looking left from the proposed entrance towards the centre of the village.

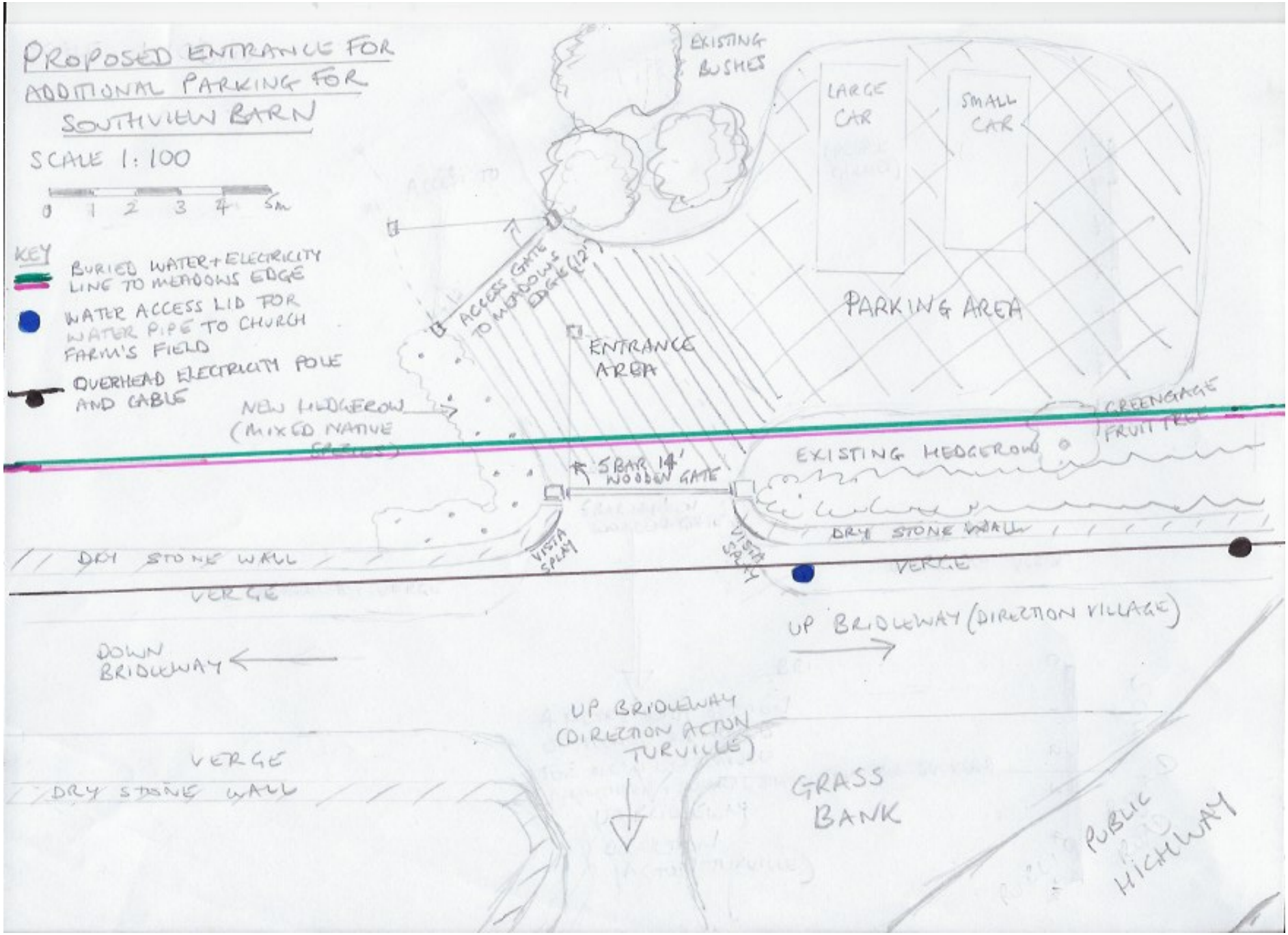


Looking straight from the proposed entrance to the end of the village.



Proposed entrance to additional parking

Looking down the bridleway from the proposed entrance


PROPOSED ENTRANCE FOR ADDITIONAL PARKING FOR SOUTHVIEW BARN
SCALE 1:100
0 1 2 3 4 5m
KEY
BURIED WATER + ELECTRICITY LINE TO MEADOWS EDGE
WATER ACCESS LID FOR WATER PIPE TO CHURCH FARM'S FIELD
OVERHEAD ELECTRICITY POLE AND CABLE
EXISTING BUSHES
LARGE CAR
SMALL CAR
PARKING AREA
ACCESS GATE TO MEADOWS EDGE (12')
ENTRANCE AREA
NEW HEDGEROW (MIXED NATIVE
GREENGAGE FRUIT TREE
EXISTING HEDGEROW
5 BAR 14' WOODEN GATE
VISTA SPLAY
VISTA SPLAY
DRY STONE WALL
VERGE
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VERGE
UP BRIDLEWAY (DIRECTION VILLAGE)
DOWN BRIDLEWAY
UP BRIDLEWAY (DIRECTION ACTON TURVILLE)
VERGE
DRY STONE WALL
GRASS BANK
PUBLIC HIGHWAY