

# Report

Report to:	<b>Community and Enterprise Resources Committee</b>
Date of Meeting:	<b>3 September 2019</b>
Report by:	<b>Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources)</b>

Subject:	<b>Replacement of Clyde Bridge by Pettinain - Authorisation to Proceed with Promotion of Compulsory Purchase Order</b>
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## 1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ♦ seek authorisation to proceed with the promotion of a Compulsory Purchase Order under the Roads (Scotland) Act 1984, Section 104, for the land required to enable replacement of Clyde Bridge and associated carriageway realignment

## 2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources), in consultation with the Head of Administration and Legal Services and Head of Property Services as appropriate, be authorised to proceed with promotion of the Compulsory Purchase Order of land necessary to construct the replacement Clyde Bridge and undertake associated local carriageway re-alignment.

## 3. Background

- 3.1. The Council is proposing to demolish the existing Clyde Bridge, which is located on Pettinain Road to the south of the village of Carstairs Junction, and replace it with a new modular steel structure designed and constructed in accordance with current standards. The location of the bridge is shown at Appendix A.
- 3.2. The existing bridge structure was installed in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century as a road crossing over the River Clyde. A 2 ton vehicular weight restriction was imposed on the structure in 1956. The bridge was, therefore, identified as weak at a relatively early point in its existence.
- 3.3. The bridge was subject to a structural assessment in 1991 which confirmed its inability to accommodate heavy vehicles. The restriction was amended to 3 tonnes to align with metric measurements and a vehicular width restriction of 1.9m was introduced to assist in the enforcement of the weight restriction.
- 3.4. The Council has continued to monitor the condition of the structure over many years. A monitoring inspection undertaken in August 2018 recorded significant further deterioration in the condition of the structure. Fundamental and long standing structural defects had now deteriorated to an extent where the bridge was no longer

considered manageable or safe for public use. A full road closure has been imposed since August 2018.

- 3.5. The structure provided an important local transportation link between the villages of Carstairs Junction to the north and Pettinain to the south.
- 3.6. The Council has allocated funding of £3m for the replacement of the existing bridge and associated ancillary work.

#### **4. Current Position**

- 4.1. The replacement bridge will be a modular steel structure which will be constructed on a new alignment to the west of the existing bridge. In addition some localised realignment of Pettinain Road on the immediate approaches to the new bridge will be carried out.
- 4.2. The superstructure of the existing bridge will be demolished and removed.
- 4.3. The Council is presently seeking to secure the voluntary acquisition of the land required for the scheme. The affected landowners have been identified and negotiations are ongoing at this time.
- 4.4. The voluntary negotiations referenced above have progressed well to date and all efforts to obtain agreement for voluntary acquisition will be made with a view to concluding the matter by the end of September 2019. If this is not possible, subject to Committee approval, officers will proceed with a formal Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) process. The areas of land to be acquired and required temporarily for construction purposes are identified on the attached plan at Appendix B. The area required only temporarily is shown on the plan as being for “construction working area” and “site compound area”.
- 4.5. The following is an indicative programme for the delivery of the scheme following a CPO process:-

◆ CPO process	September 2019 to end September 2021
◆ Design and Procurement	May 2019 – September 2021
◆ Construction of replacement Clyde Bridge and associated local road realignment	November 2021 – July 2022
- 4.6. These timescales are based on a full CPO process, including Public Local Inquiry, being required. The commencement of construction will be brought forward if the CPO process progresses without objection or completes earlier than set out above. In this scenario, it is currently anticipated that construction works would commence in the summer of 2020.
- 4.7. It should be emphasised that the potential use of CPO is very much regarded as a last resort which it is expected will not require to be used. However, given the importance of the project to the local area, it is considered important to have a fall-back position which can be implemented if necessary.

## **5. Employee Implications**

- 5.1. There are no employee implications.

## **6. Financial Implications**

- 6.1. The estimated total compensation payment plus fees can be contained within the Council's agreed additional capital allocation for the project of £3m.

## **7. Other Implications**

- 7.1. There are no implications for sustainability or risk in terms of the information contained within this report.

## **8. Equality Impact Arrangements and Consultation Arrangements**

- 8.1. Legal Services and Housing and Technical Resources' Property Services have been involved in the identification of affected landowners.
- 8.2. This report does not introduce new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to existing policy, function or strategy. Therefore no impact assessment is required.

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**Executive Director (Community and Enterprise Resources)**

9 July 2019

## **Link(s) to Council Values/Ambitions/Objectives**

- ◆ Improve the road network, influence improvements in public transport and encourage active travel

## **Previous References**

- ◆ None

## **List of Background Papers**

- ◆ None

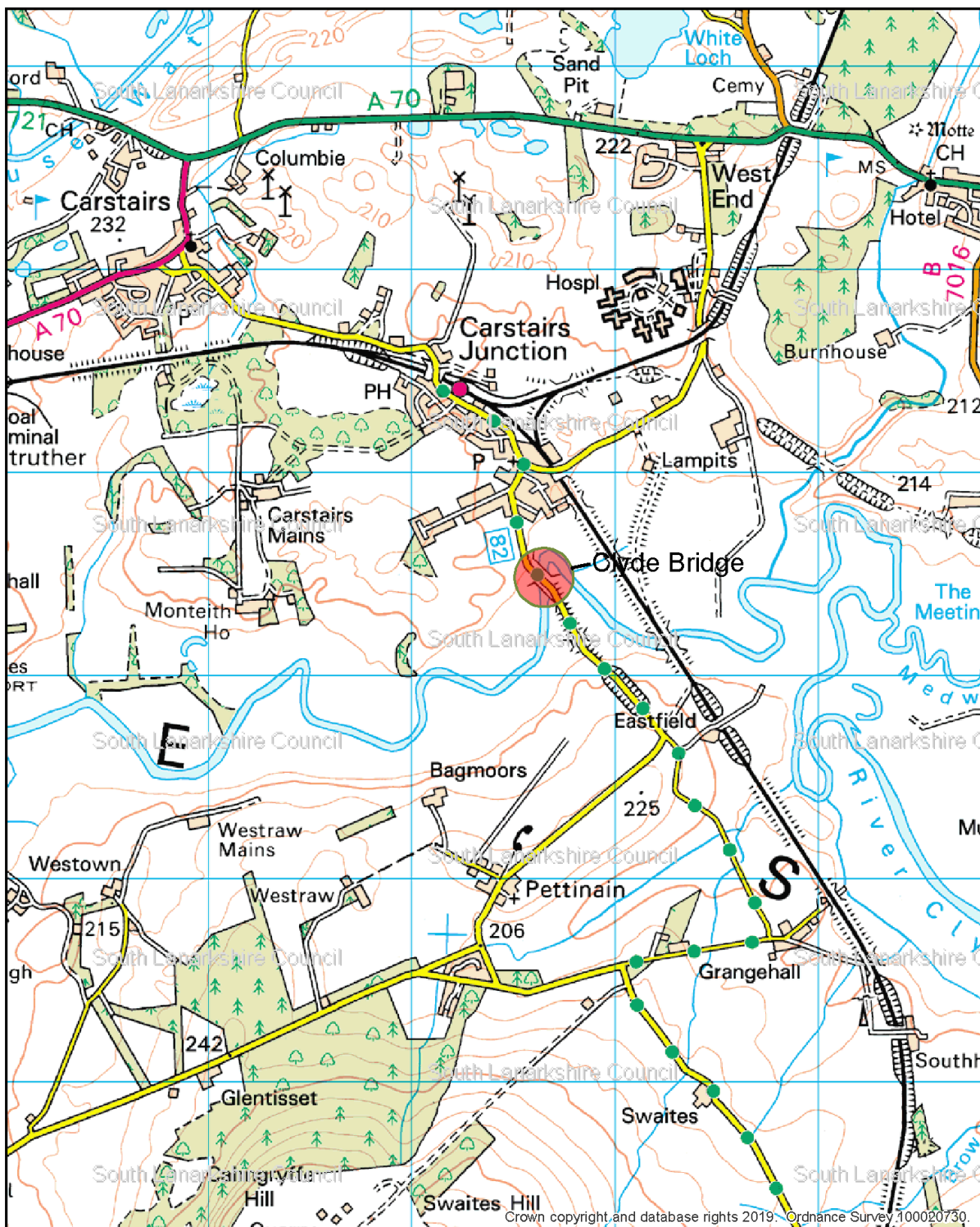
## **Contact for Further Information**

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact:-

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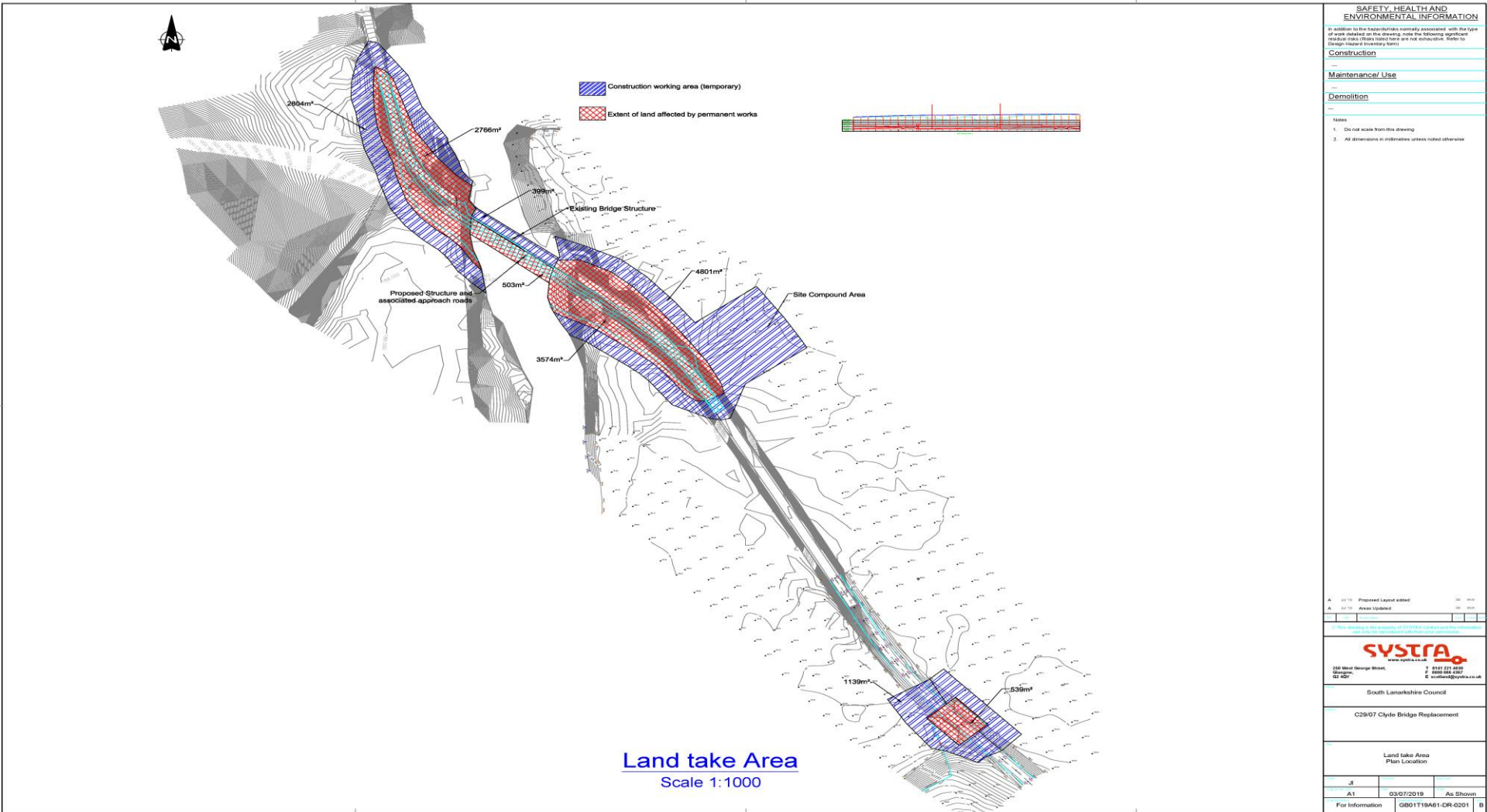
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# Appendix B



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