

Objective 1

Direct route through the town of Bedlington, to Cambois

Objective 2

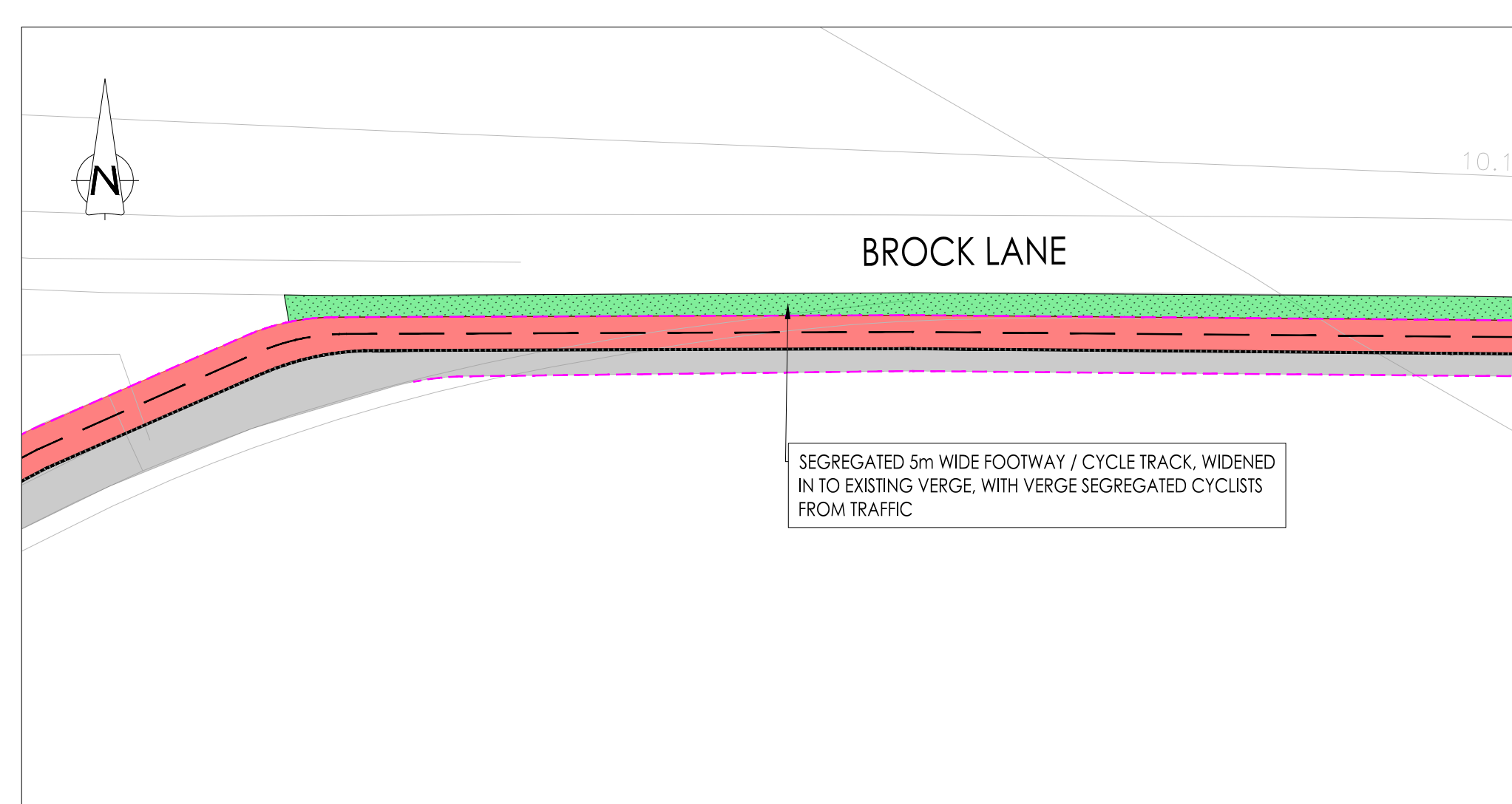
Greater choice of sustainable modes of transport

Objective 3

Protection for cyclists and pedestrians from motor vehicles.

Objective 4

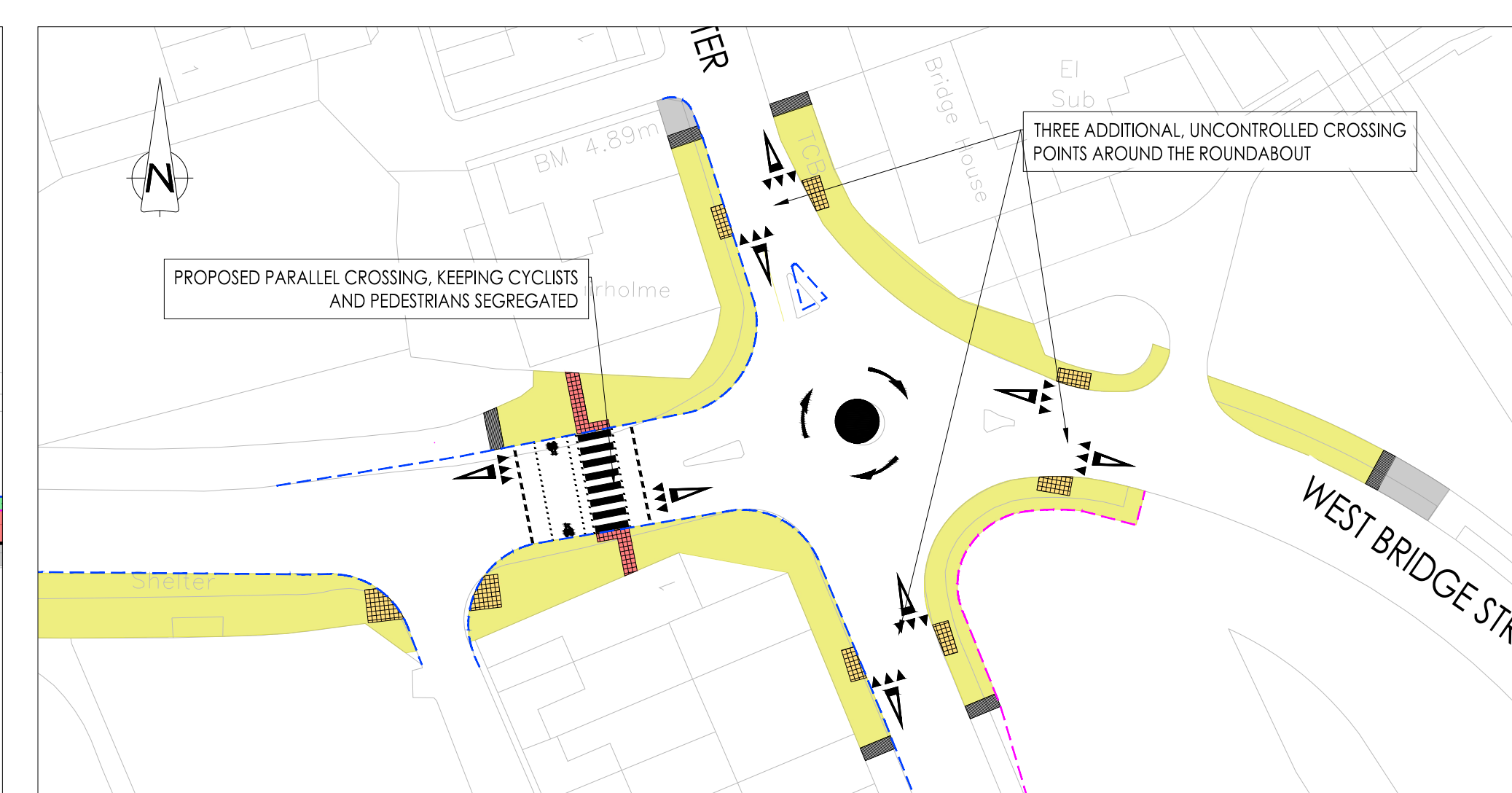
Design to cater for future demand of cycling infrastructure.



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VISION

The project will create a cycling and walking corridor between through Bedlington all the way to Cambois. The corridor will enhance sustainable travel options for residents, workers, learners and visitors, not just in Bedlington, but with further connectivity within the region and beyond.

PROJECT AIMS

Key Investment Objectives

- Create a high-quality walking and cycling route between Newbiggin Road and Ashington Town Centre.
- Improve access employment and education opportunities.
- Reduce the necessity for residents to undertake journeys by private motor vehicles.
- Improve the health and wellbeing of residents by providing facilities that allow people to be more active.
- Reduce CO2 emissions and improve air quality by reducing the number of car journeys and thereby congestion.

PRIORITY CORRIDORS

The development of a Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) for the town of Bedlington has supported a strategic approach to identifying cycling and walking infrastructure improvements in the town and once delivered will enable and encourage active forms of transport. Bedlington has been highlighted as a priority Town for infrastructure improvements as part of this process. The Department for Transport's Active Travel Fund Tranche 3 has been highlighted as a funding opportunity for Bedlington which needs improvement as there is not currently adequate cycling provision through and out of the town centre, with surface and safety improvements required to enable cycling to become a widespread choice for travel, particularly commuting.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

- Feedback from this event will be used to inform and refine the current design.
- Detailed designs to be completed Spring 2023 following consultation
- Subject to a successful bid for funding, construction work on the corridor is likely to commence in Summer 2023.