

**ANGUS COUNCIL****ROADS COMMITTEE****27 NOVEMBER 1997****VARIATION OF SPEED LIMITS****REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF ROADS****ABSTRACT**

This report deals with the proposed alterations to current speed limits at Forfar, Kirriemuir, Newtyle, Ferryden, Redford, St Vigeans, Tarfside, Kirkton of Airlie, Craigton of Airlie, Gowanbank and Inchbare.

**1 RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Committee agree to the promotion of the necessary Traffic Regulation Variation Orders to:-

- (i) effect changes to the speed limits from 60 mph to 40 mph at Kirkton of Airlie and Craigton of Airlie (A926), Gowanbank (B9113) and Inchbare (B966).
- (ii) effect changes to the speed limits from 60 mph to 40 mph at Herdhill, Kirriemuir (A926) and Glamis Road, Forfar (A929)
- (iii) effect change to the speed limit from 60 mph to 30 mph at Tarfside
- (iv) effect changes to the speed limit from 40 mph to 30 mph at Redford (B961)
- (v) extend the 30 mph speed limits at Craig Road Ferryden, Glamis Road Newtyle and St Vigeans

## 2 DETAILS

The specific locations where alterations to speed limits are considered appropriate are listed below with brief reasons. The proposed alterations are shown on the attached location plans.

(i) (a) Kirkton of Airlie (A926)

The local School Board, Community Council and local member have raised concerns about speed of traffic through the village particularly in respect of safety at the Primary School. It is therefore proposed to reduce the speed limit through the village from 60 mph to 40 mph, a distance of approx 400 metres.

(b) Craigton of Airlie (A926)

The Community Council and the local members are also concerned about traffic speeds and road safety through Craigton of Airlie and it is therefore proposed to reduce the speed limit here from 60 to 40 mph, a distance of approximately 400 metres.

(ii) Montrose Road, Gowanbank (B9113)

Significant infill roadside development has occurred over the years with direct vehicular access to the main road and it is now considered appropriate to reduce the speed limit from 60 mph to 40 mph from the existing 30 mph speed limit on Montrose Road to the east boundary of Gowanbank, a distance of approx 650 metres.

(iii) Herdhill, Kirriemuir (A926)

Local concerns have been raised by residents about the speed of traffic in this area on the outskirts of the town where some development has been permitted in recent times. It is proposed to reduce the speed limit from 60 mph to 40

mph from the existing 30 mph speed limit westwards for a distance of approx 500 metres.

(iv) Glamis Road, Forfar (A929)

Significant new development is proposed by Don & Low including a new road access from Glamis Road for the Orchardbank Industrial Estate. As such it is considered appropriate to reduce the speed limit from 60 mph to 40 mph from the existing 30 mph limit westwards to Halfpennyburn Cottages, a distance of approx 450 metres.

(v) Redford (B961)

In spite of the recent reduction in speed limit on the main road in Redford there are continued requests from local residents for a further reduction. It is now considered appropriate to reduce the current 40 mph to 30 mph.

(vi) Craig Road, Ferryden

From the Roads Departments 'Safe Routes to School' study it is considered that in the interest of pedestrian safety the existing 30 mph speed limit should be extended by 60 metres.

(vii) Glamis Road, Newtyle

Village Gateway treatment is proposed for the Glamis Road, however to base this around the current speed limit signs would cause problems in respect of existing vehicle accesses to agricultural premises. It is therefore proposed to extend the current 30 mph speed limit by 20 metres to overcome this difficulty.

(viii) St Vigeans

From the Roads Department's recent 'Safe Routes to School' study it is considered that in the interest of pedestrian safety the current 30 mph speed limit on Brechin Road should be extended by 100 metres.

(ix) Tarfside

From the Roads Departments recent 'Safe Routes to School' study it is considered that in the interest of pedestrian safety the speed limit through Tarfside should be reduced from 60 mph to 30 mph.

(x) Inchbare (B966)

There have been local concerns about road safety in Inchbare for a number of years with particular concerns for the safety of pedestrians. At approximately 500 metres in length Inchbare has not been included in previous speed limit reviews. However the current guidance from the Scottish office although recommending a minimum speed limit length of 800 metres does now say that "there will be circumstances where a shorter distance is suitable".

### 3 **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The estimated cost of the proposals is £8500 and it is anticipated that this can be contained within the 1998/99 Revenue Budget for Traffic. Additional maintenance costs would amount to £850 per annum and this would require to be provided for in future years' Revenue Budgets.

### 4 **CONSULTATION**

The Chief Executive, the Director of Law and Administration, the Director of Finance and the Chief Constable have been consulted in the preparation of this Report.

## 5 CONCLUSION

In the interest of pedestrian and traffic safety the above alterations to speed limits are considered appropriate. The variation of the current Traffic Regulation Orders to alter or extend existing speed limits or impose new limits are therefore necessary.

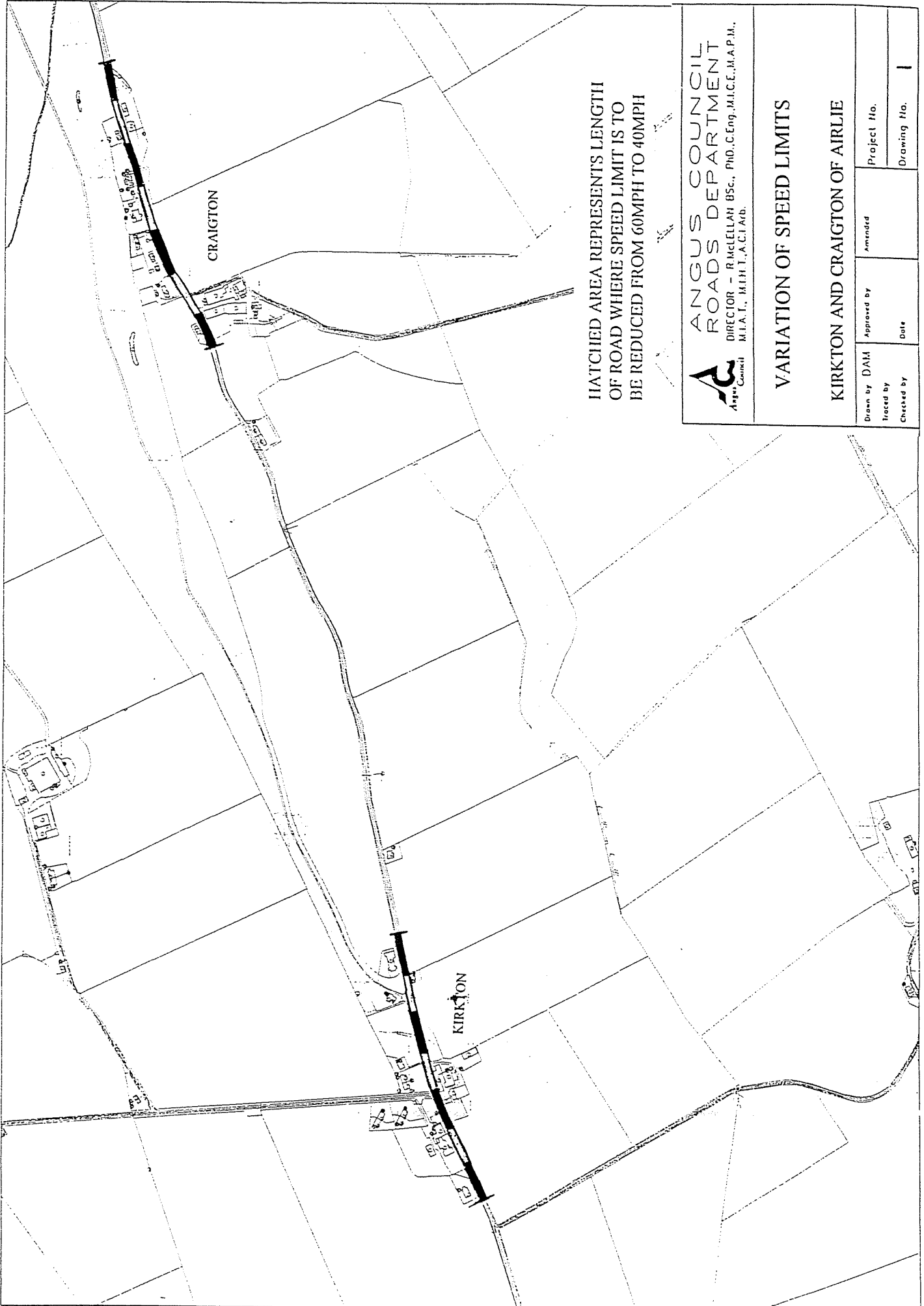
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### NOTE

No background papers as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above Report.

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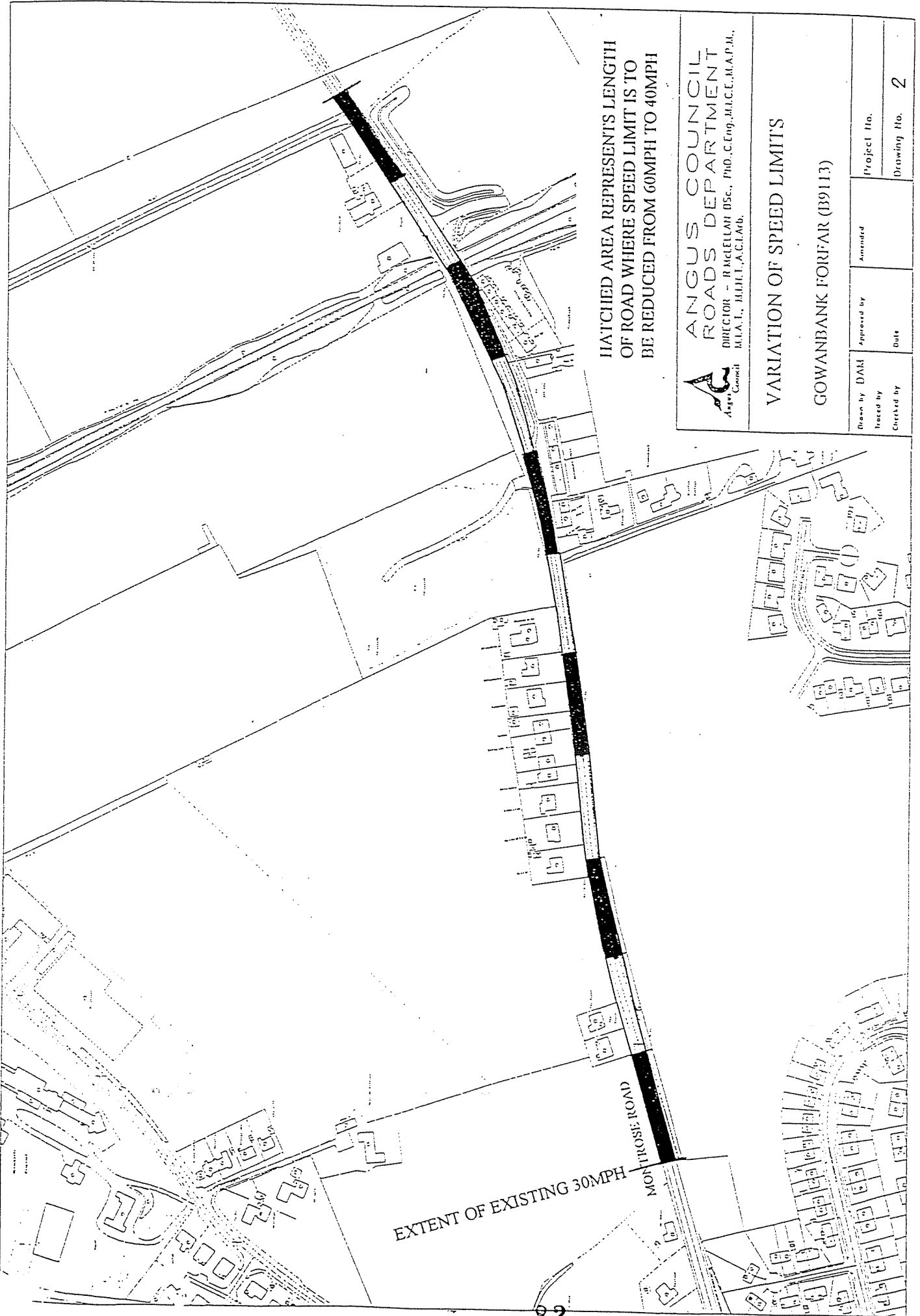
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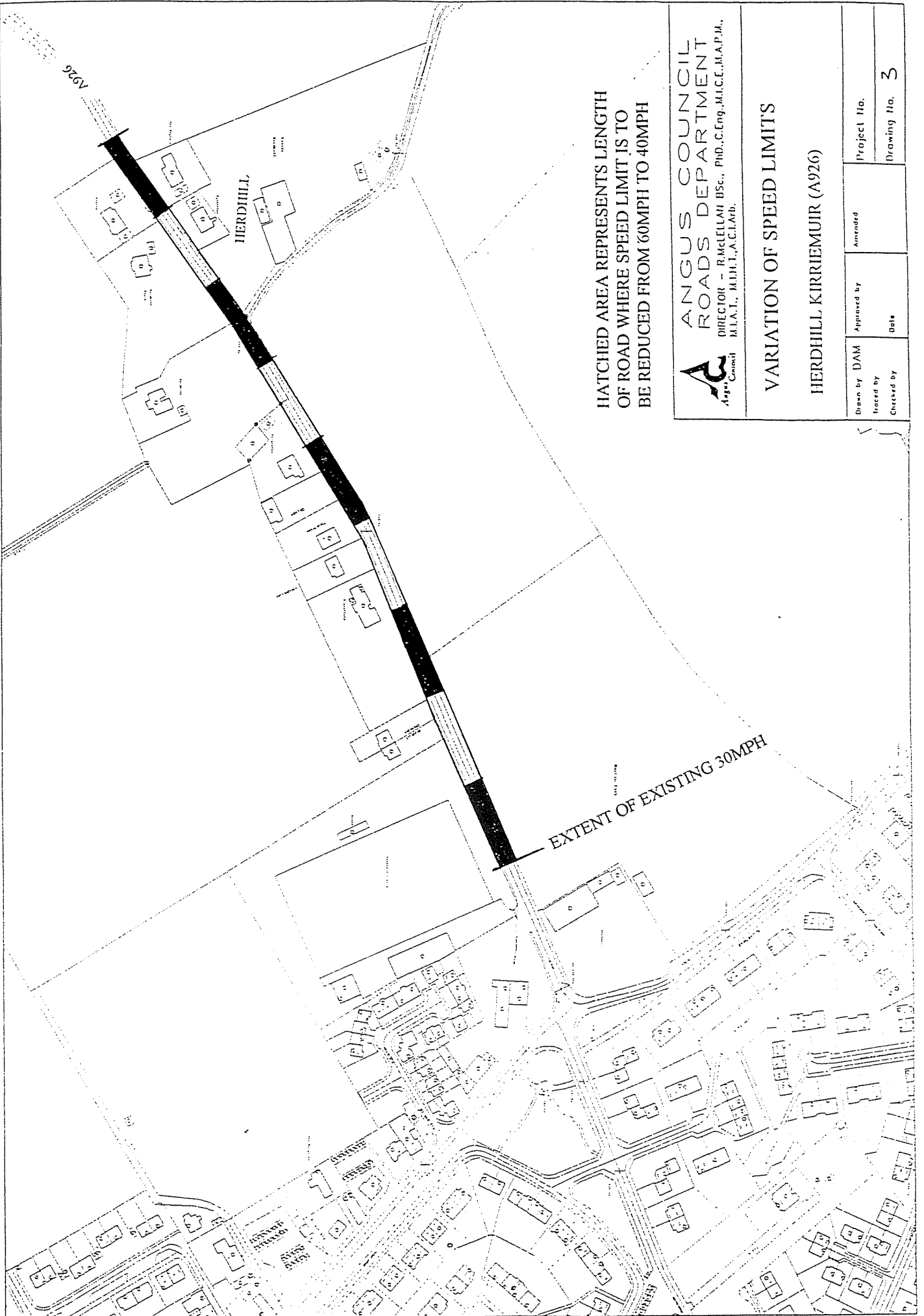
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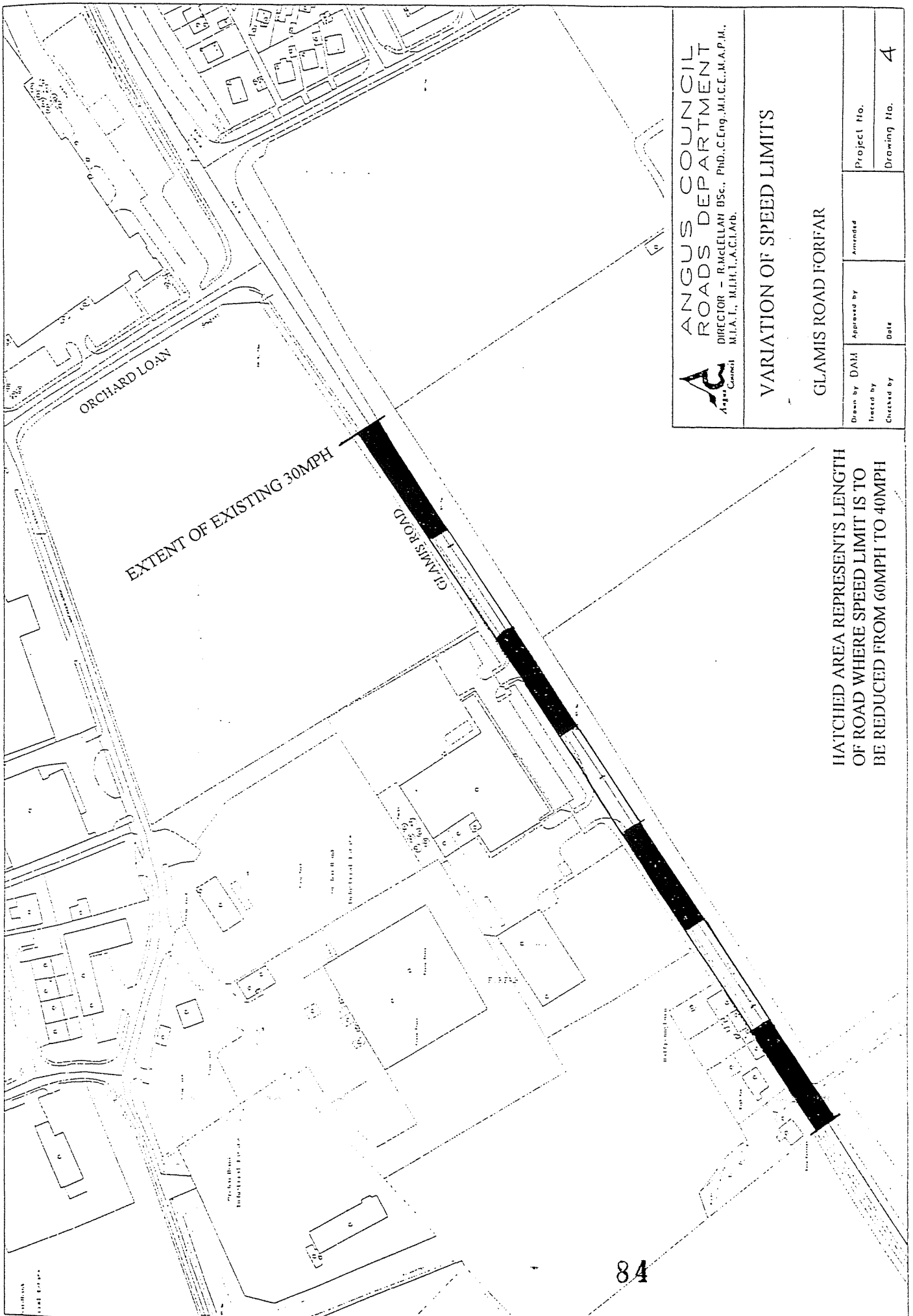
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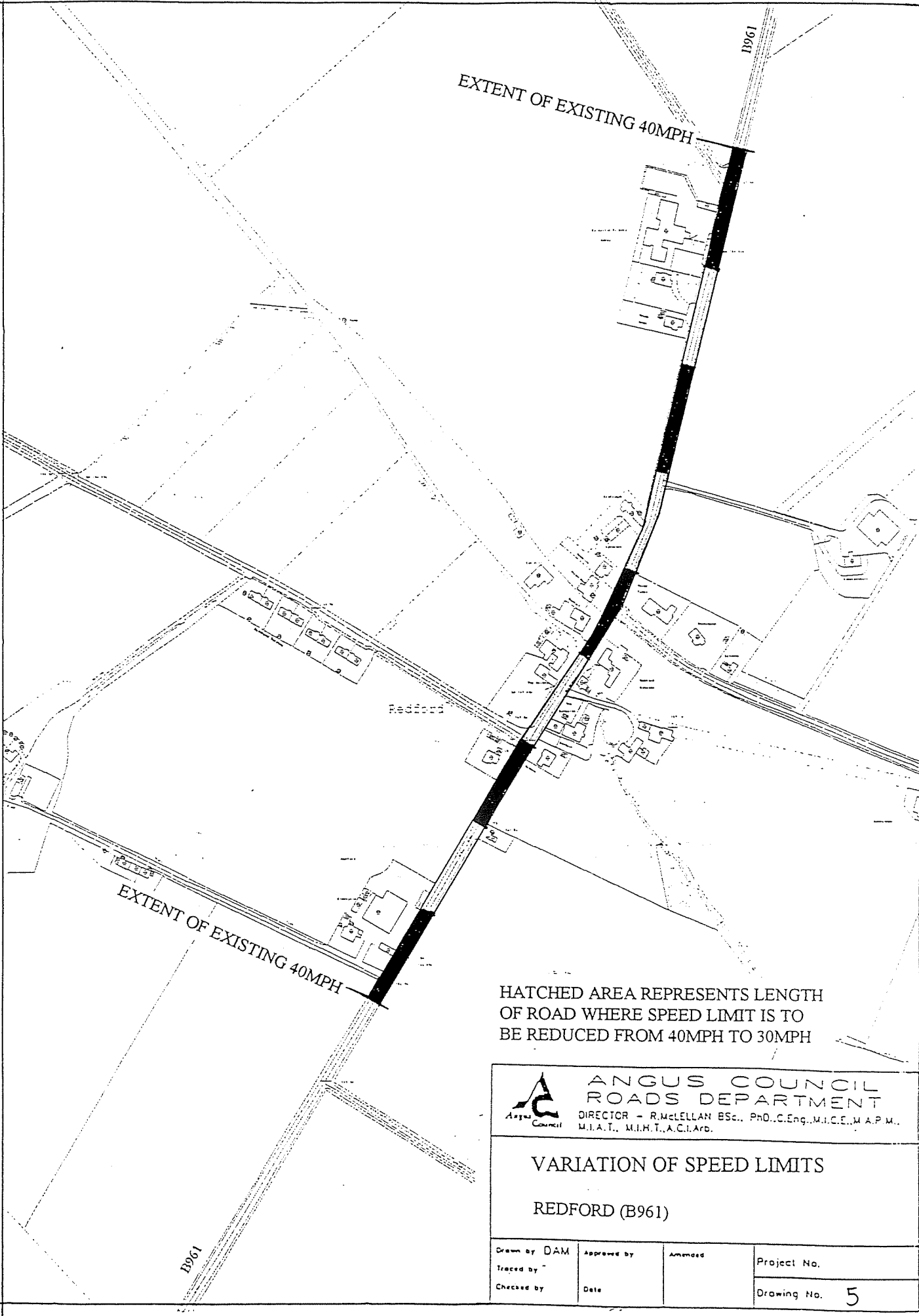

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**GLAMIS ROAD FORFAR**

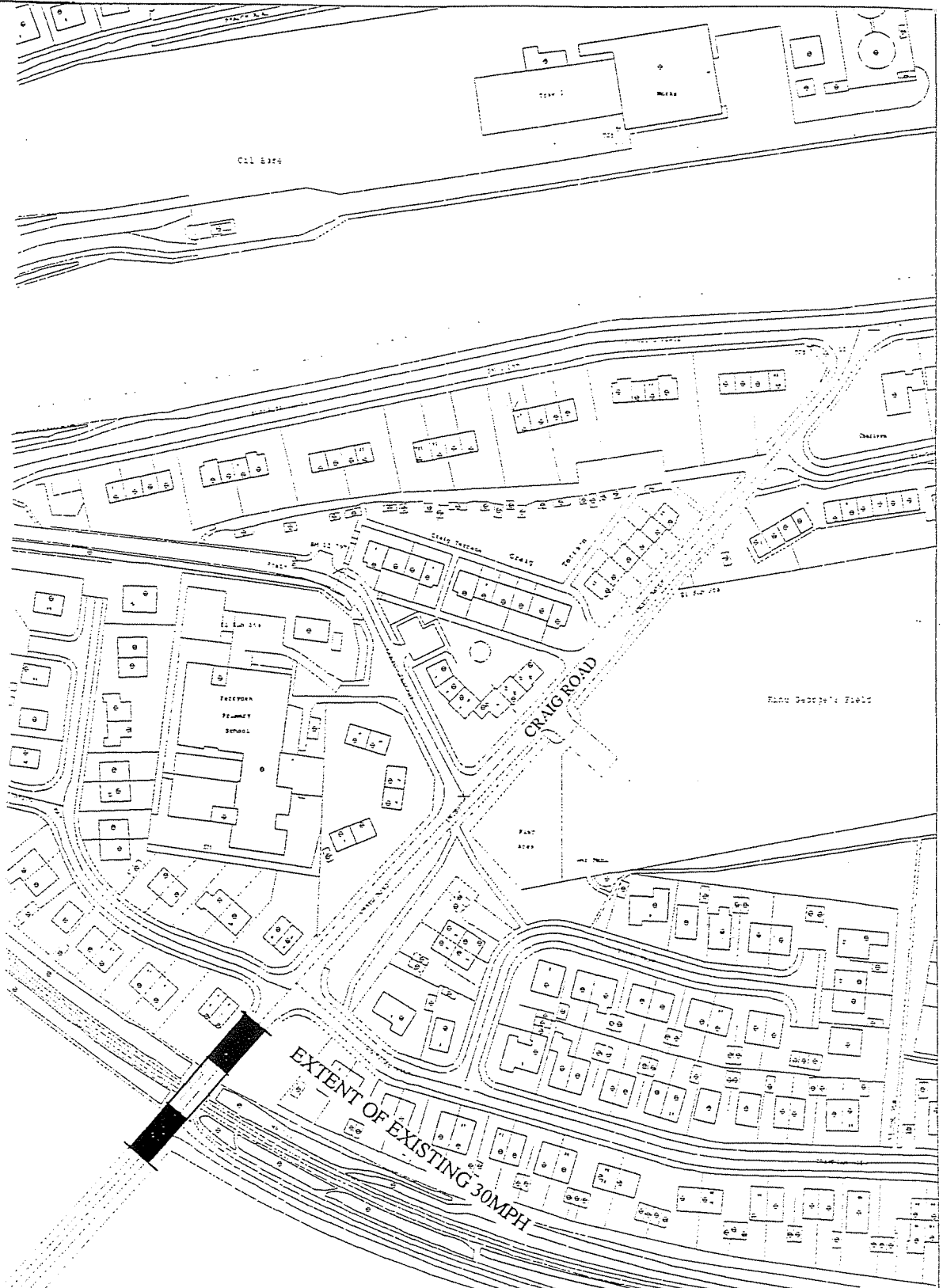
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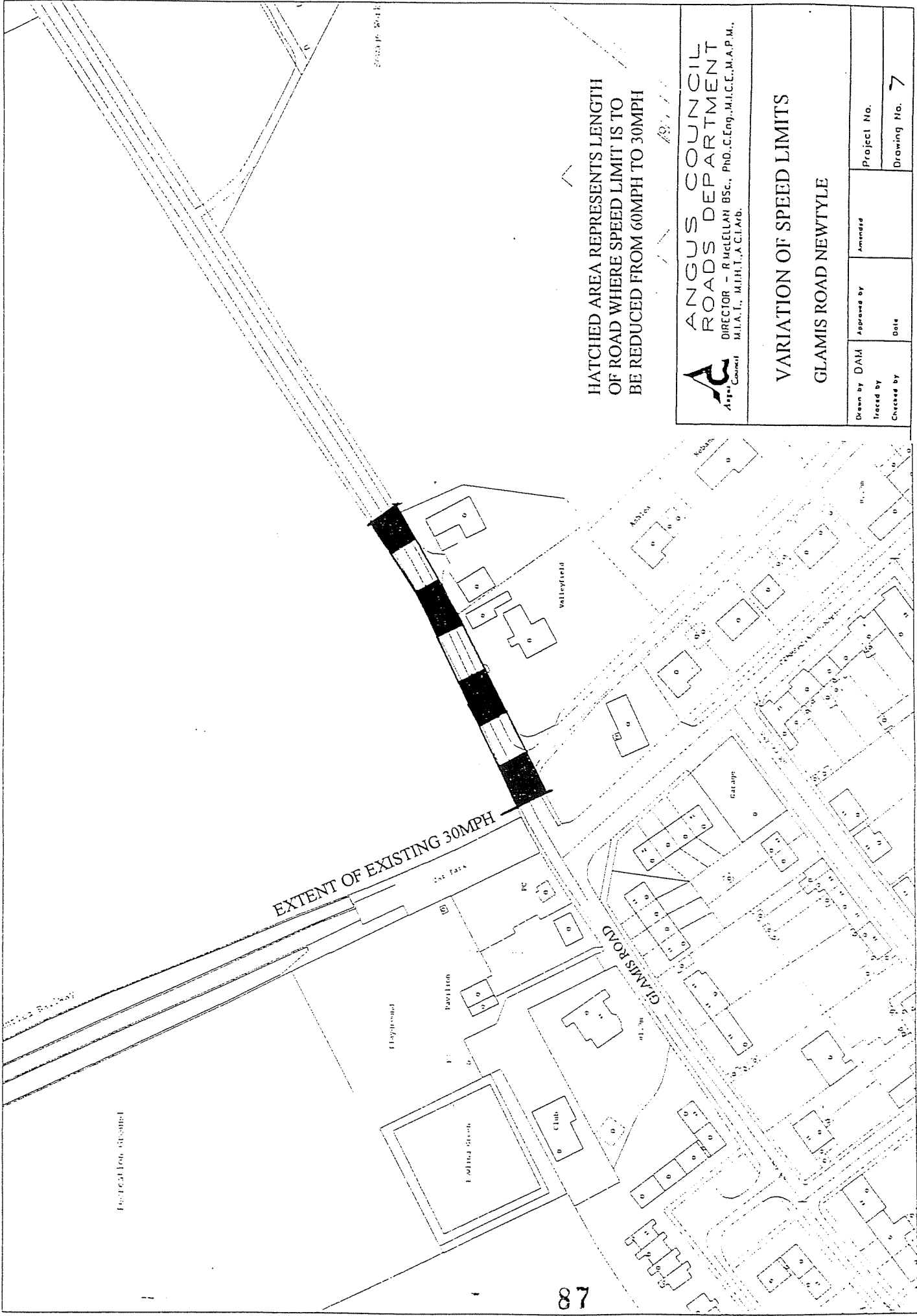
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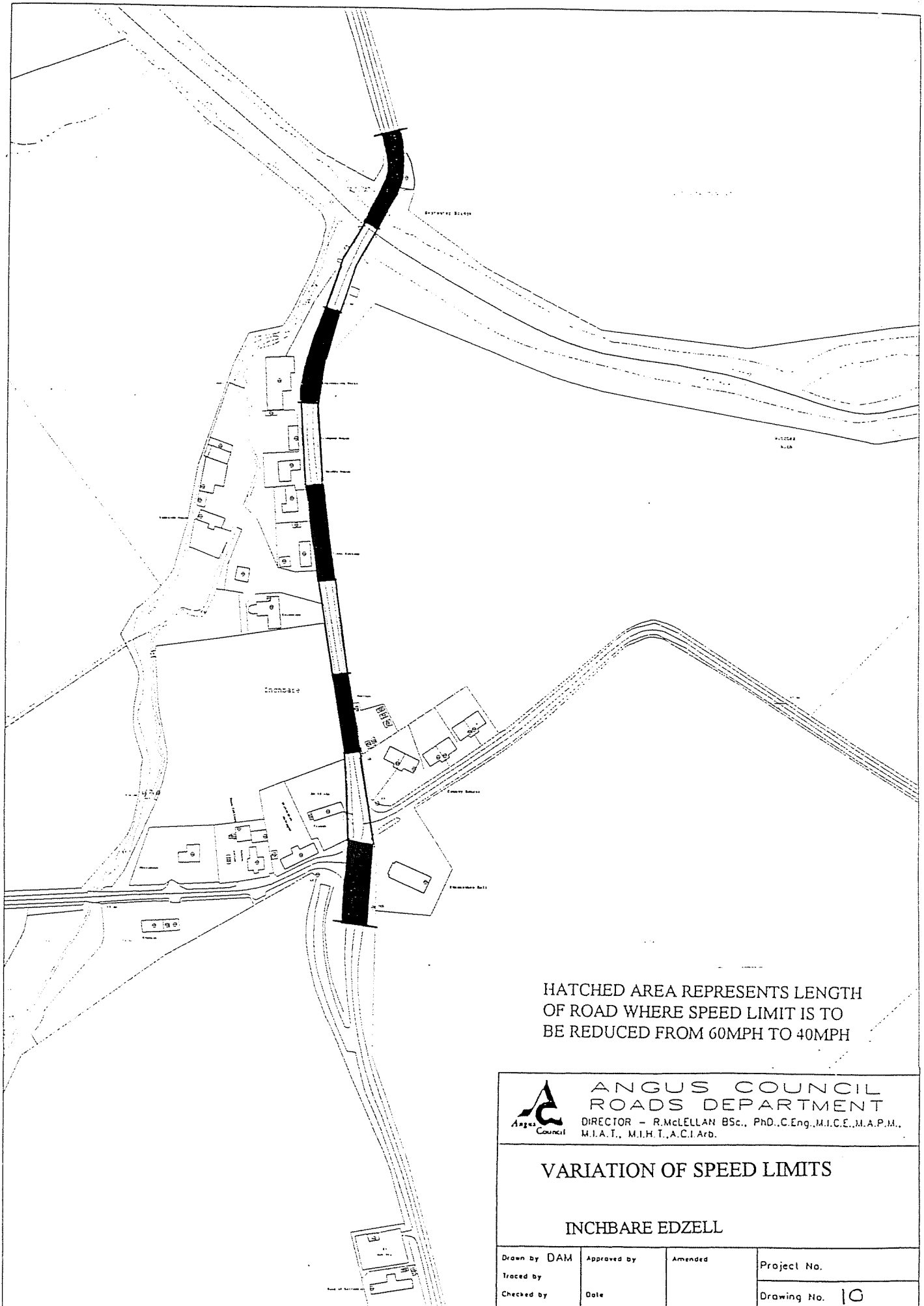
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