

ANGUS COUNCIL**PLANNING AND TRANSPORT POLICY COMMITTEE
ROADS COMMITTEE****11 MARCH 1999****11 MARCH 1999****SUBJECT: ARBROATH HIGH STREET IMPROVEMENTS (PHASE II)****JOINT REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND TRANSPORT AND DIRECTOR OF
ROADS**

Abstract: This report presents for approval the proposed environmental improvements to Kirk Square as Phase II of High Street improvements. It details the financial implications to Angus Council of proceeding with the works and sets out the proposed programme of implementation.

1 RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Committee:-

- (a) approves the proposed environmental improvements to Kirk Square as outlined in this report at an estimated cost of £170,000 inclusive of fees;
- (b) agrees to public consultation being undertaken;
- (c) notes the financial implications of proceeding with the works; and
- (d) subject to the outcome of the public consultation, authorises the Director of Roads to seek competitive tenders for the works with a view to submitting the tender report to the Roads Committee meeting on 8 June 1999.

2 INTRODUCTION

- 2.1 Members will recall that the Concept Streetscape Designs for Arbroath High Street were approved in principle in 1998. The first phase of the improvements i.e. the Fit 'O' the Toon and the sections at the Webster Theatre and the Sheriff Courthouse are underway and are programmed for completion in May of this year.

3 PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

- 3.1 A small scale proposal drawing for Kirk Square is appended to this report. Larger scale coloured drawings will be displayed at the Committee meeting.
- 3.2 The proposed improvements do not alter significantly from the Concept Designs approved last year. The existing carriageway line and surface would be retained but the rest of Kirk Square would be resurfaced in high quality materials. The range of materials and the street furniture will reflect those used at the Webster Theatre and Sheriff Courthouse and will, in due course, be repeated along the pedestrian precinct. New stone steps are still proposed at the Kirk but trees either side of the steps are not possible. It is hoped that, subject to services, trees on the north side of Kirk Square adjacent to the seating will be possible.

4 PROPOSED PROGRAMMING

- 4.1 It was originally envisaged that the proposed improvements to Kirk Square and the full length of the pedestrian precinct would be undertaken as a single contract, probably phased over two financial years. However, in view of the uncertainty surrounding future financial allocations, it is recommended that the Kirk Square improvements be undertaken as a separate phase during the 1999/2000 financial year. The improvements to the pedestrian precinct would constitute phase three of the overall project and, subject to funding, would be undertaken during the year 2000. This will be the subject of a separate report in due course.
- 4.2 It is proposed that the works in Kirk Square commence in early August and be completed by the end of November 1999. To achieve this timescale, competitive tenders would have to be sought during April/May with a view to the tender report being submitted to the Roads Committee on 8 June 1999 i.e. before the summer recess.

5 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The estimated cost of the works is £170,000 inclusive of fees. Scottish Enterprise Tayside has confirmed that it will be able to contribute £110,000 towards this cost, leaving a balance of £60,000 to be met by Angus Council. Allowance has been made within the Planning and Roads Provisional Capital Programmes for 1999/2000 of £25,000 and £35,000 respectively to meet this expenditure.

6 CONSULTATION

- 6.1 The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Law & Administration and Director of Recreation Services have been consulted during the preparation of this report.

NOTE

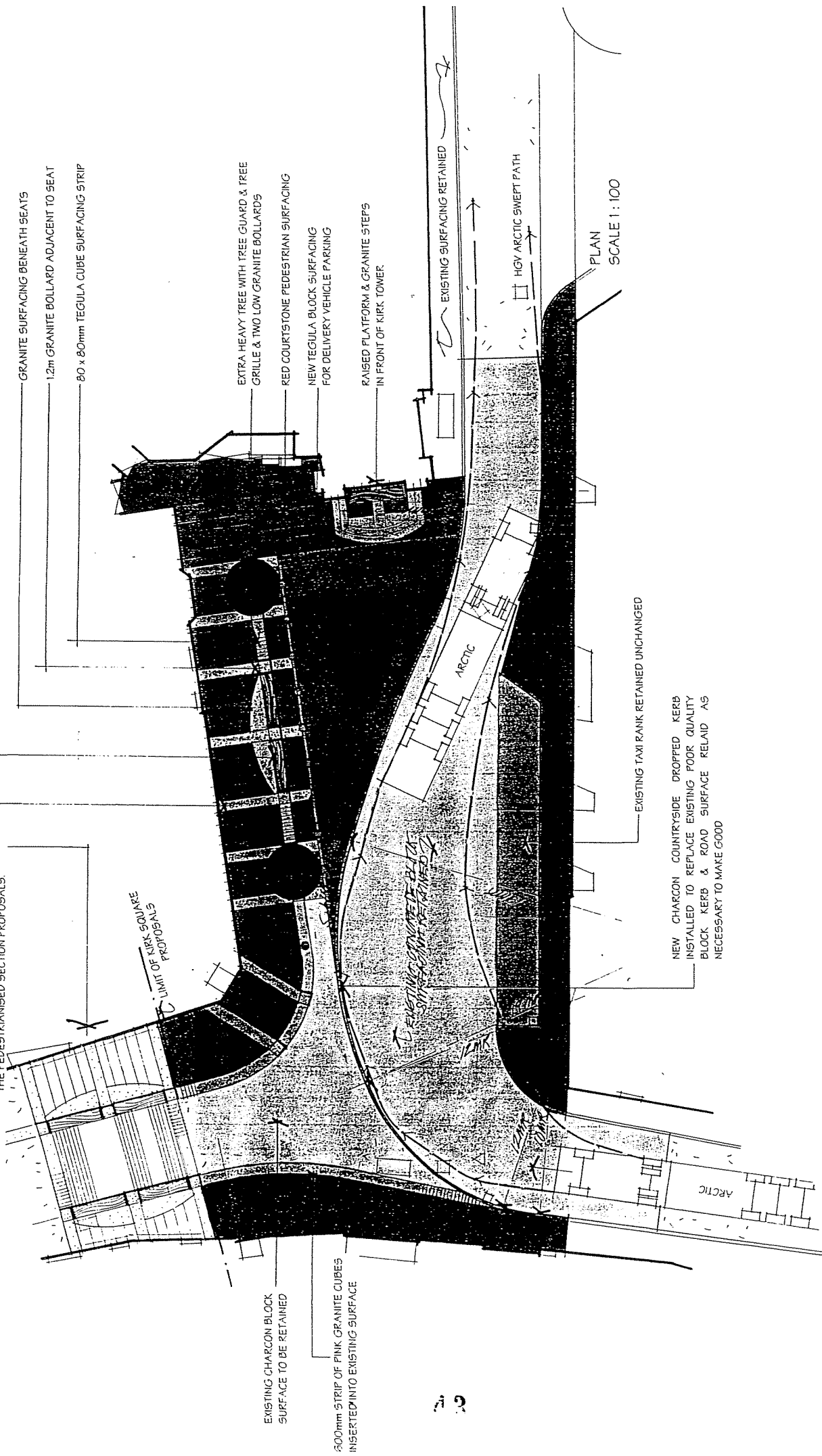
No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) were relied on to any material extent in preparing the above Report.

AA/RM/KW
3 March 1999

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ARVUAVU NIKK SQUARE IMPROVEMENTS

THESE WORKS ARE EXCLUDED FROM THE COSTINGS FOR KIRK SQUARE. THE ILLUSTRATION IS INDICATIVE OF HOW THE KIRK SQUARE WORKS WOULD TIE INTO THE PEDESTRIANISED SECTION PROPOSALS.



GRANITE SLAB FEATURE PATTERNING AS SHOWN
SPECIAL 3m LONG "FOIL" SEAT MANUFACTURED TO SUIT

GRANITE SURFACING BENEATH SEATS

1.2m GRANITE BOLLARD ADJACENT TO SEAT

80 x 80mm TEGULA CUBE SURFACING STRIP

EXTRA HEAVY TREE GUARD & TREE GRILLE & TWO LOW GRANITE BOLLARDS

RED COURTSTONE PEDESTRIAN SURFACING

NEW TEGULA BLOCK SURFACING FOR DELIVERY VEHICLE PARKING

RAISED PLATFORM & GRANITE STEPS IN FRONT OF KIRK TOWER

EXISTING SURFACING RETAINED

HGV ARCTIC SWEEP PATH

PLAN SCALE 1:100

EXISTING TAXI RANK REMAINED UNCHANGED

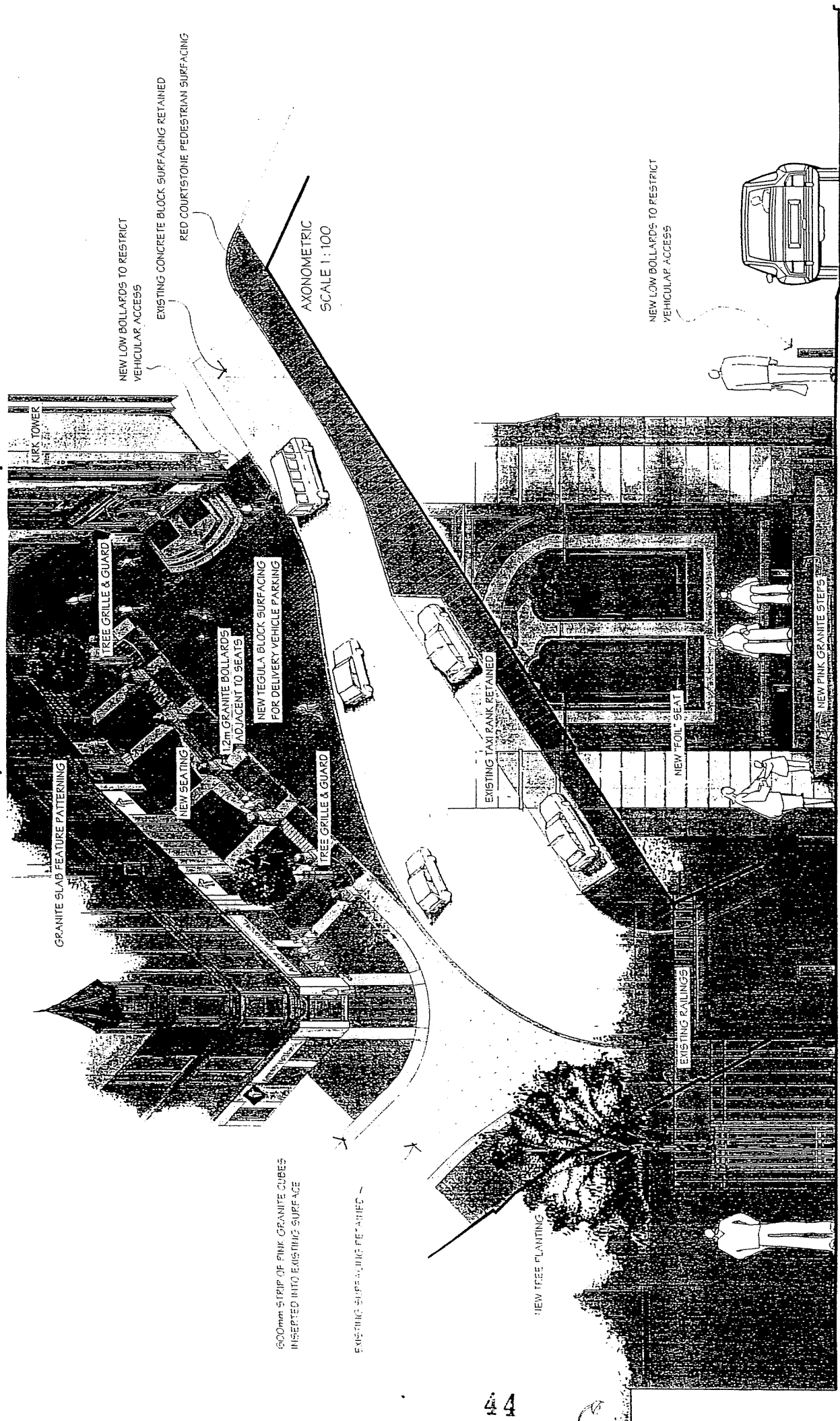
NEW CHARCON COUNTRYSIDE DROPPED KERB INSTALLED TO REPLACE EXISTING POOR QUALITY BLOCK KERB & ROAD SURFACE RELAID AS NECESSARY TO MAKE GOOD

EXISTING CHARCON BLOCK SURFACE TO BE RETAINED

800mm STRIP OF PINK GRANITE CUBES INSERTED INTO EXISTING SURFACE

Proposals - Plan

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Proposals - Axonometric & Details