

CENTRAL SWINDON NORTH PARISH COUNCIL

AG9 Track Design Change II: Commissaires & Storage Area

Parish Priorities: Promote Inclusivity.

1. Recommendation for Full Council

- To approve £10,250 for the *out of scope* installation of a joint funded Commissaires & Storage Area. This will enable the facility to host national events and store cycles from the BME/Women's/L2R cycling programmes.

2. Report Details

Introduction

This report proposes the installation of a joint commissaires and storage tarmac base.

In cycling, a Commissaires Area refers to a designated area where the race officials, known as commissaires, oversee and manage the race. Our Commissaires Area is located adjacent to the formal start/finish line.

Commissaires are essentially responsible for ensuring that the race is conducted according to the rules and regulations set by British Cycling. They monitor the race, enforce rules, adjudicate disputes, and ensure the safety of the riders and spectators.

The Commissaires Area will serve as the central hub for race officials to coordinate their activities, communicate with each other, and make decisions regarding the race proceedings.

Summary

The commissaires area is considered an 'out of scope' design specification and consideration should be made for one depending on the specific need of each site.

In the case of Moredon, from British Cycling advice, one would be beneficial; it is also the Clerks view this space should also be used to store the Learn to Ride/Disability bikes to ensure maximum benefit of space & our investment. Swindon Borough Council agree with this dual use suggestion.

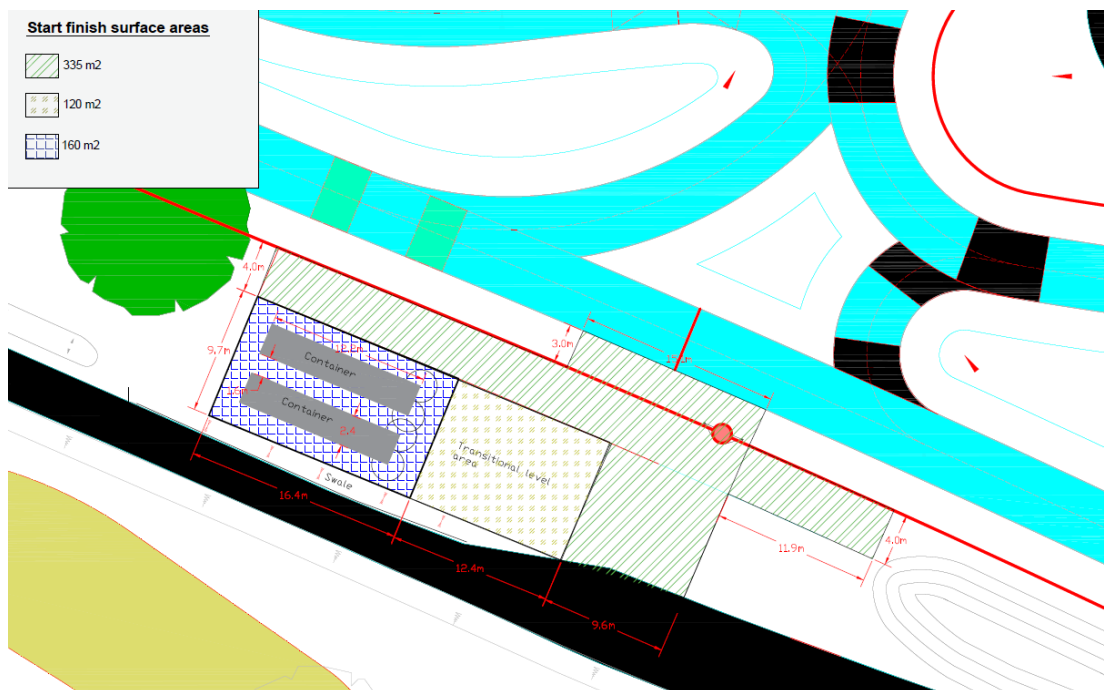
In February 2024 the Clerk held consultation sessions with site contractors and SBC in terms of location of Disability bike storage. The location has been assessed to ensure staff can prepare bikes as close to the trackside as possible, thus reduce the impact on disabled users having to wait for bikes to be prepared.

The proposal is to install a tarmac base large enough to accommodate the commissaires area and secure storage containers.

The Parish Councils request to asset transfer the Learn to Ride cycles from Swindon Borough Council has been approved by the SBC legal team. The total value of the asset transfer is around £95,000 which will be added to the Parish Councils asset register for 2024/25. These assets will be stored in the storage containers.

The Parish Council have also this month secured a further £14,900 of funding for a BME/Womens Cycling programme alongside L2R, which will likely require the storage of any added bikes from this fund. (This information is embargoed from release by the funder until May 3rd 2024, the funding provider has therefore been redacted from this publicly accessible report).

A CADFile diagram of the *proposed* site is below:



Financial Summary

The cost to include the commissaires and storage area is £70 m/s with a footprint cost of £20,500. SBC advise this is the applicable market rate.

Regretfully, when Swindon Borough Council sought a quote for works, the site contractor commissioned the works without authorisation and the site has been partially built; SBC in turn cancelled the works when it became apparent work had started in March 2024.

As the Parish Council had not provided the authorisation to SBC the Clerk advised the Parish Council should not pay full cost. SBC agreed and has therefore asked if SBC fund 50%, will the Parish Council fund the remaining 50% of £10,250.

The Clerk has also asked that SBC negotiate a discount as the work was completed

without authorisation. SBC are working on this now and therefore the request to authorise £10,250 should be considered a maximum ceiling.

The budget code will be assigned to 1760 MSH Maintenance with £90,209 YTD remaining. Any cost reduction negotiated by SBC on our behalf will be noted at the next FGP and provision released within 1760.