

BRAUNSTONE TOWN COUNCIL

OFFICER DECISION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

Adoption of three Gateway Planters at Braunstone Lane and Narborough Road South 3rd February 2023

Background to the Decision

On 5th May 2022, Planning & Environment Committee received an update with proposals for Highways Improvements under the County Council Members' Highways Fund and considered whether to adopt proposed planters at three locations around Braunstone Town.

The Proposal would result in an improvement to the visual amenity of gateways to Braunstone Town; however, detailed arrangements and legal terms needed to be fully considered ensuring that there would be no significant legal or financial implications for the Town Council.

A Structures Licence (Appendix 1) was received by the Town Council on 15th November 2022, along with plans for the locations of the planters; one on Braunstone Lane (Appendix 2) and two on Narborough Road South (Appendix 3).

In respect of paragraph 4 of the Structures Licence, the County Councillor for Braunstone Division, Councillor Amanda Hack, confirmed the following consultation had been undertaken:

- with the members of the Town Council;
- the planters were suggested by residents via a Braunstone Life article on Facebook and in the Magazine; and
- letters sent to every home along Narborough Road South in October 2021.

Leicestershire County Council will be installing the planters and confirmed, in respect of paragraph 5 of the Structures Licence, that no part of the structure / equipment shall be less than 0.5m from the kerb face or interfere with the visibility from nearby junctions or drives.

The Chair of the Planning & Environment Committee, Councillor Robert Waterton, was consulted on the proposal and agreed with the proposal to approve the Structures Licence and adopt the three planters.

Authority for Decision

The Council's Scheme of Delegation to Committees gives authority to the Planning & Environment Committee to d) "deal with all questions relating to the Council's street furniture and notice boards".

On 5th May 2022, Planning & Environment Committee resolved:

2. that the request for the Town Council to adopt and maintain three planters, installed at two gateway locations to Braunstone Town off Narborough Road South, as set out at Appendix 1, be accepted in principle, subject to consideration of the legal agreements and detailed terms and conditions;
3. that delegated authority be given to the Chief Executive & Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chair of Planning & Environment Committee, to determine the terms and conditions and legal arrangements under which the Town Council could adopt and maintain the proposed planters (Planning & Environment Committee minute 103 2021/2022).

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

No alternative options were considered

Decision

That the Structures Licence (Appendix 1) be approved; along with the adoption of three planters; one on Braunstone Lane (Appendix 2) and two on Narborough Road South (Appendix 3).

Approved By:



Darren Tilley

Date: 3rd February 2023

Reason for Decision

The detailed arrangements and legal terms for the installation and adoption of the planters had been fully considered and there would be no significant legal or financial implications for the Town Council. The planters would improve the visual amenity of gateways to Braunstone Town.

List of Background Documents

- Email from Leicestershire County Council Transport Technician – 5th December 2022
- Email from Braunstone Division County Councillor – 6th December 2022

NOTE:

CRIME & DISORDER ACT 1998 (SECTION 17) – The Council has an obligation to consider Crime & Disorder implications of all its activities and to do all that it can to prevent Crime and Disorder in its area.

EQUALITIES ACT 2010

Braunstone Town Council has a duty in carrying out its functions to have due regard to:-

- eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation;
- advance equality of opportunity between different groups; and;
- foster good relations between different groups

To ensure that no person receives less favourable treatment on the basis of race, disability, sex, gender re-assignment, sexual orientation, age, religion or belief, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy or maternity.

These issues were considered in connection with each of the above decisions. Unless otherwise stated under each item of this report, there were no implications.

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Application to Place a Structure / Equipment within the Highway

Braunstone Parish Council

I confirm that Braunstone Parish Council wish to place

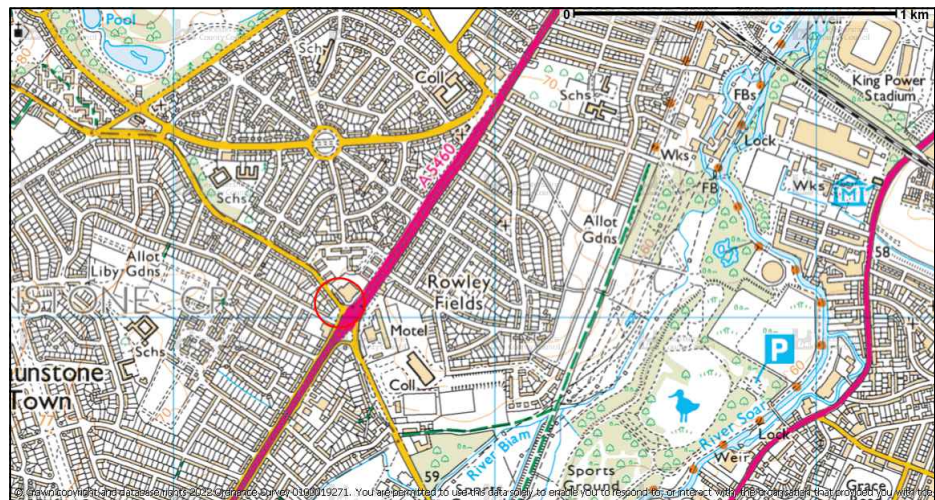
3 x Large planter (900x500) planter in the verge
within the highway, the location as indicated on the attached plan.



I the undersigned apply for a licence and accept the following conditions:-

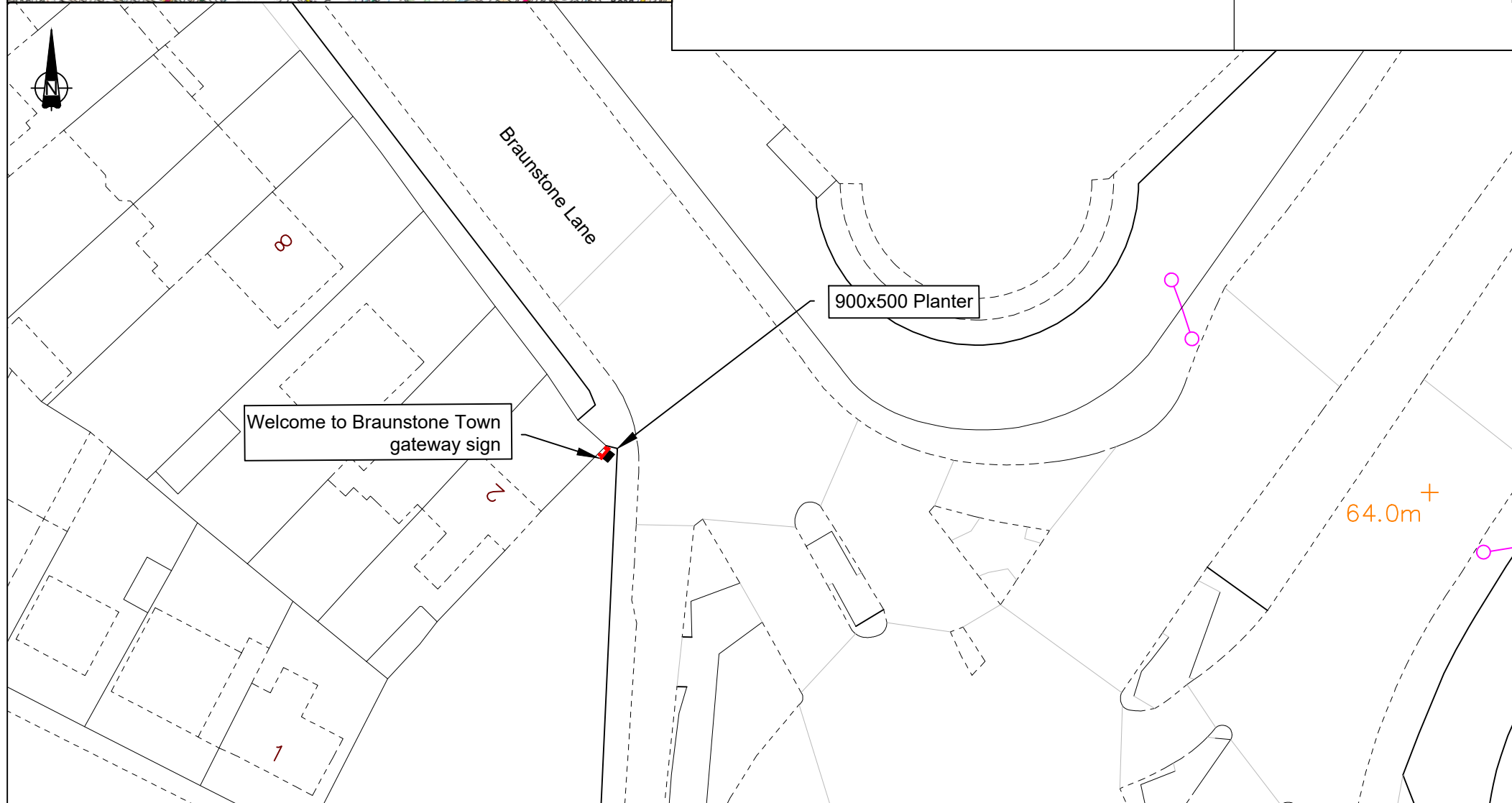
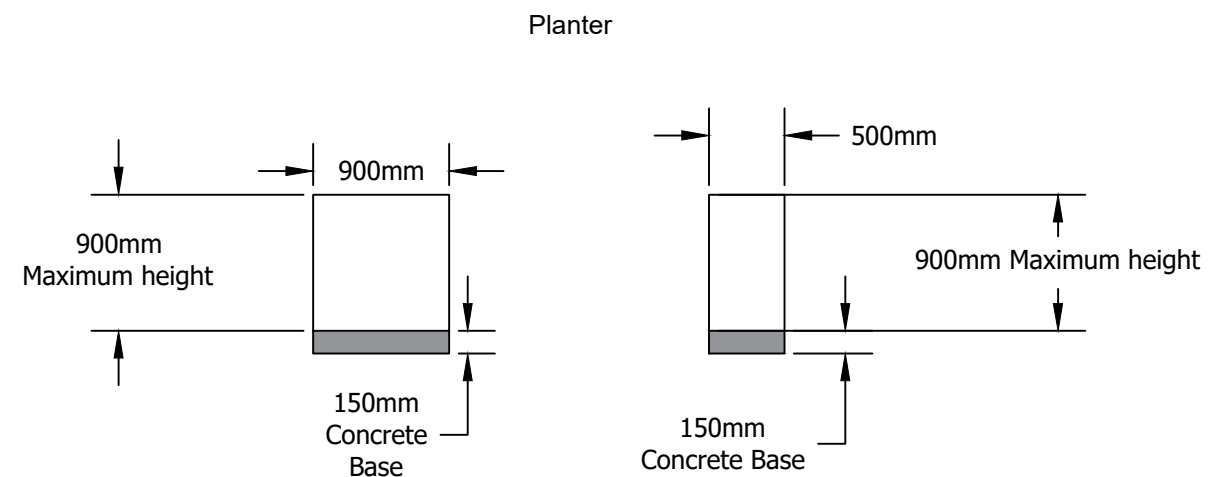
1. That the structure / equipment be removed at the applicant's expense if so required by the County Council as the Highway Authority.
2. That the structure / equipment be maintained to a safe and acceptable standard.
3. That the applicant indemnifies the County Council against any incident arising that would not have occurred if the structure had not been erected. (The indemnity is £5 million).
4. That consultation has been carried out with all residents / landowners in the locality.
5. That no part of the structure / equipment shall be less than 0.5m from the kerb face or interfere with the visibility from nearby junctions or drives.

Signed...  Print Name ..Darren Tilley.....

On behalf of ..Braunstone Town Council..... Dated..3rd February 2023.....



- Key:**
-  Existing gateway sign.
 -  Dig out and remove off site 150mm unacceptable material and install 150mm deep concrete foundations and fix 1 no. 900x500 planter according to manufactures specifications.



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2. Any changes to the design or specification will require the prior approval of the relevant engineer in writing.					
3. Planters to be installed in accordance with manufacturers guidelines					
4. Dig out and dispose 150mm unacceptable material for concrete base.					



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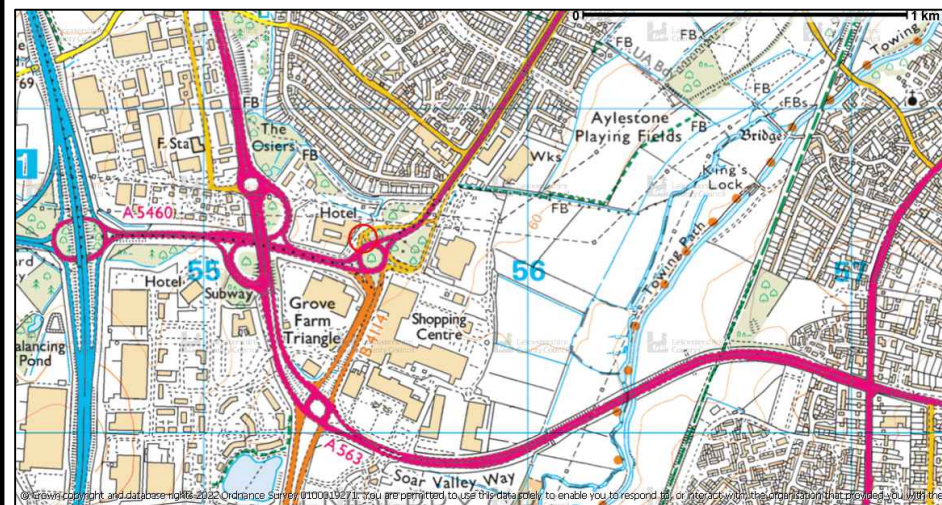
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Title: Site: Braunstone Lane

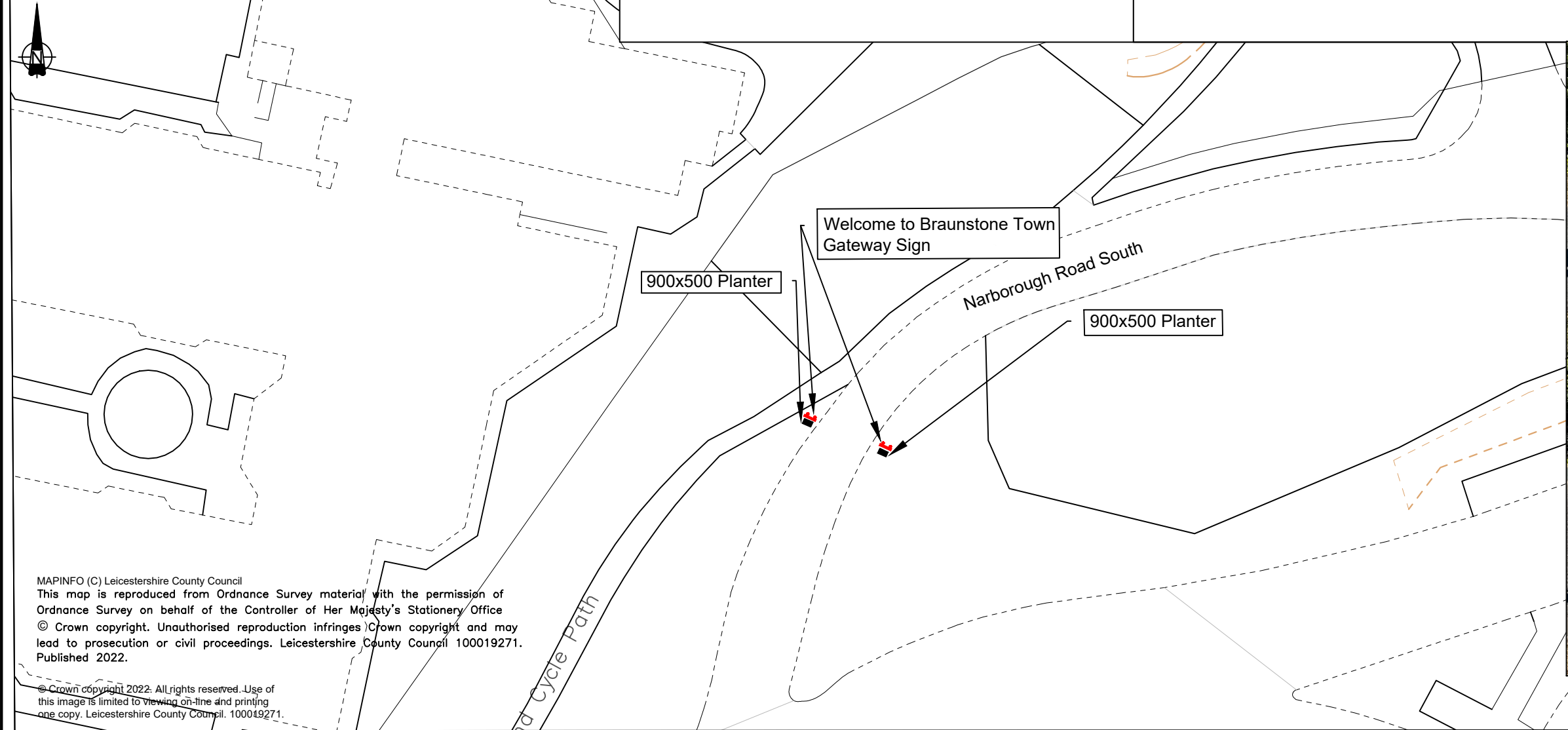
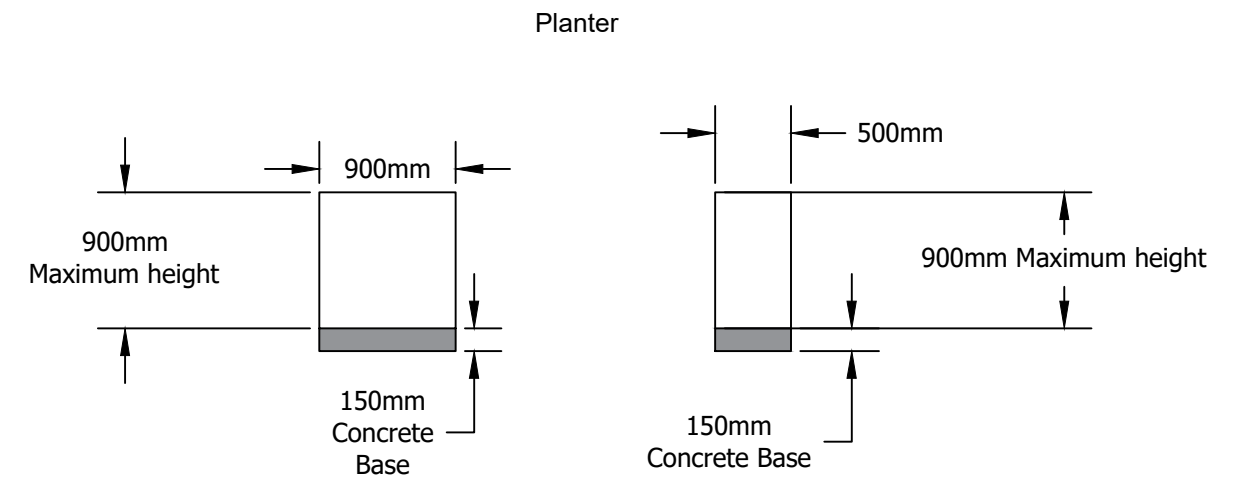
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