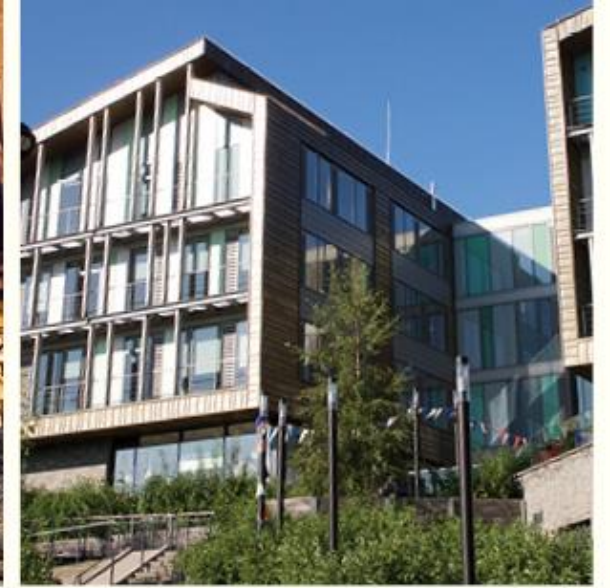

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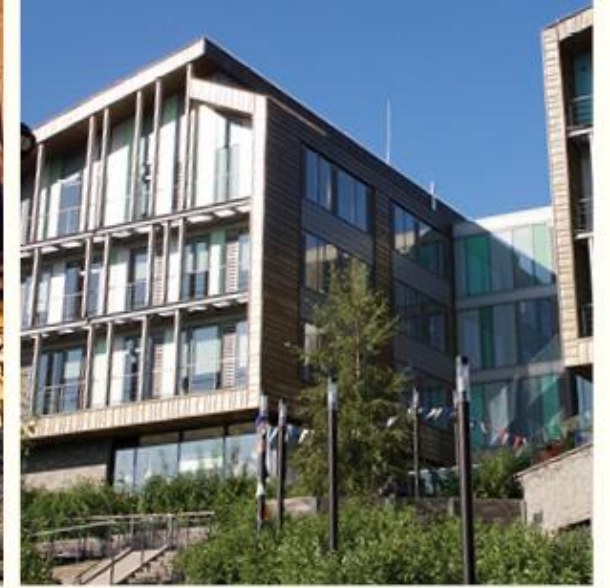
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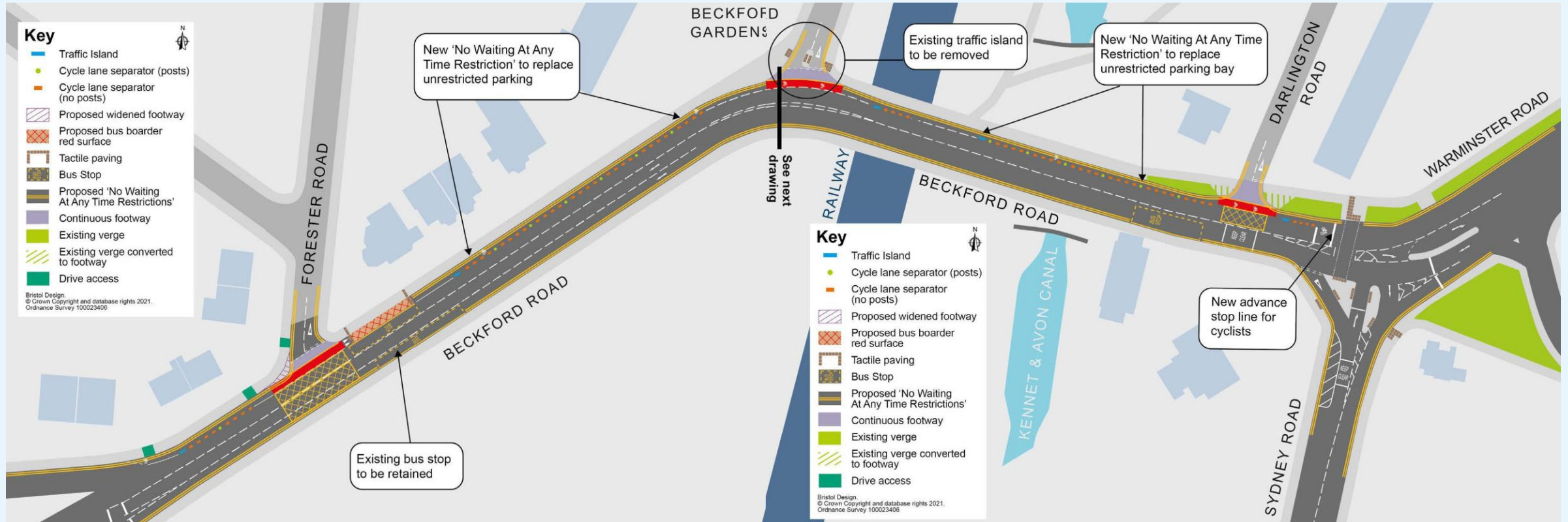
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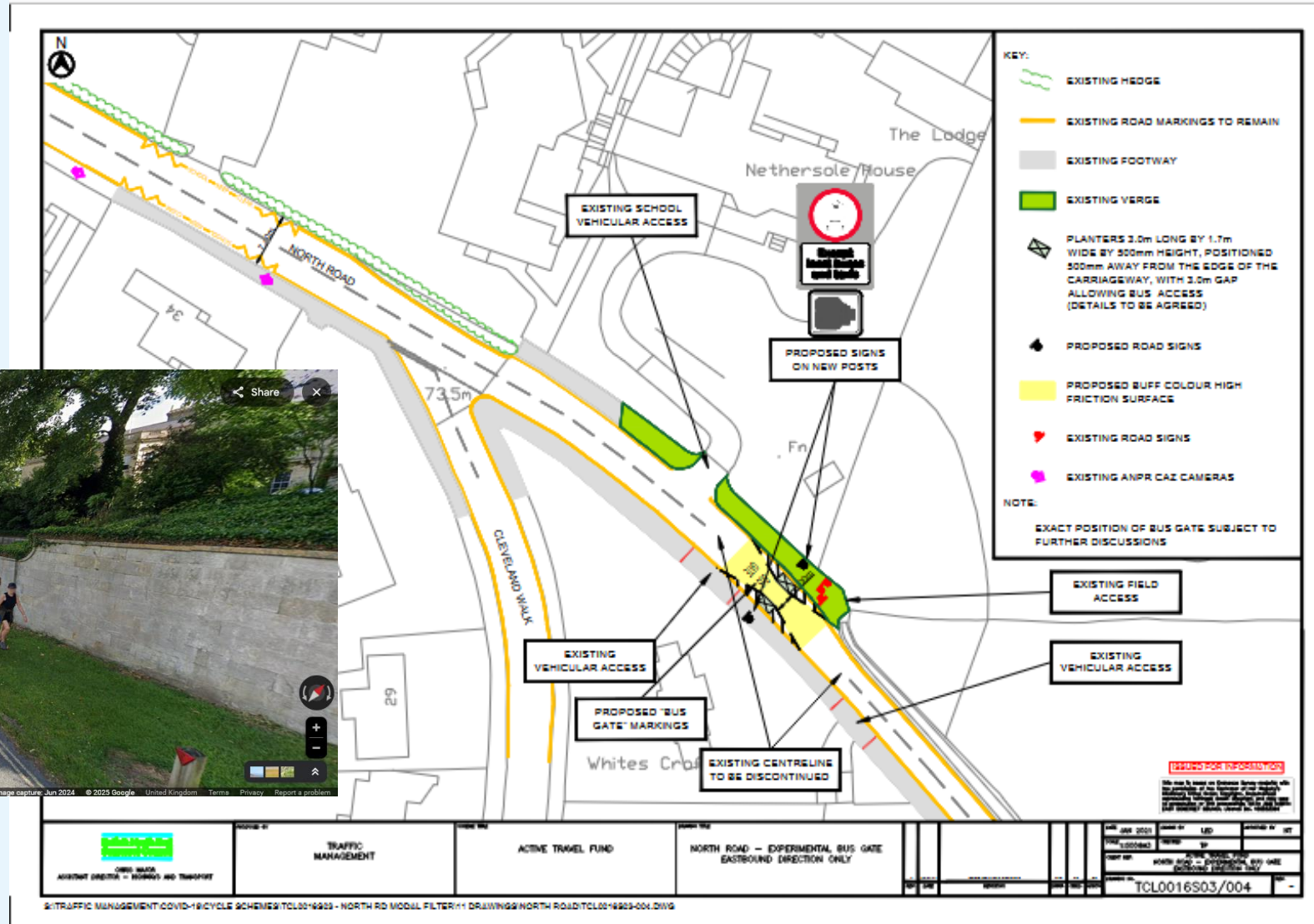
- Launched by DfT in May 2020 to support travel on foot and by bicycle.
- “Meaningful reallocation of road space” required
- Delivery in line with LTN1/20 - or funds could be withdrawn
- B&NES awarded £560k through ATF
- Schemes initiated: Beckford & North Roads as route to University, and Upper Bristol Roads
- Must be in place by March 2022

Beckford Road

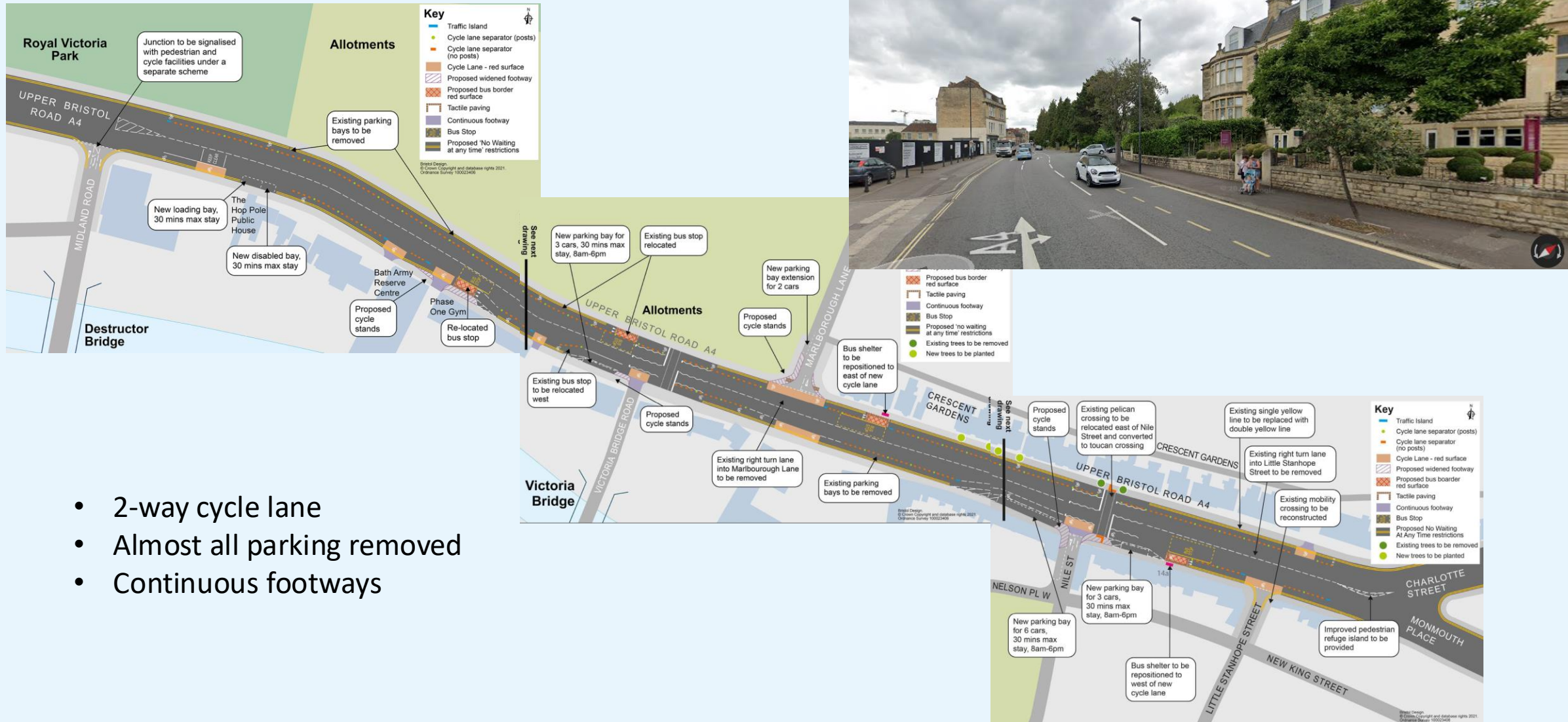


- One way cycle lane
- Parking removed
- Floating bus stop

Proposal for North Road



Upper Bristol Road



- 2-way cycle lane
- Almost all parking removed
- Continuous footways



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Implementing the first charging Clean Air Zone



Cleaner air



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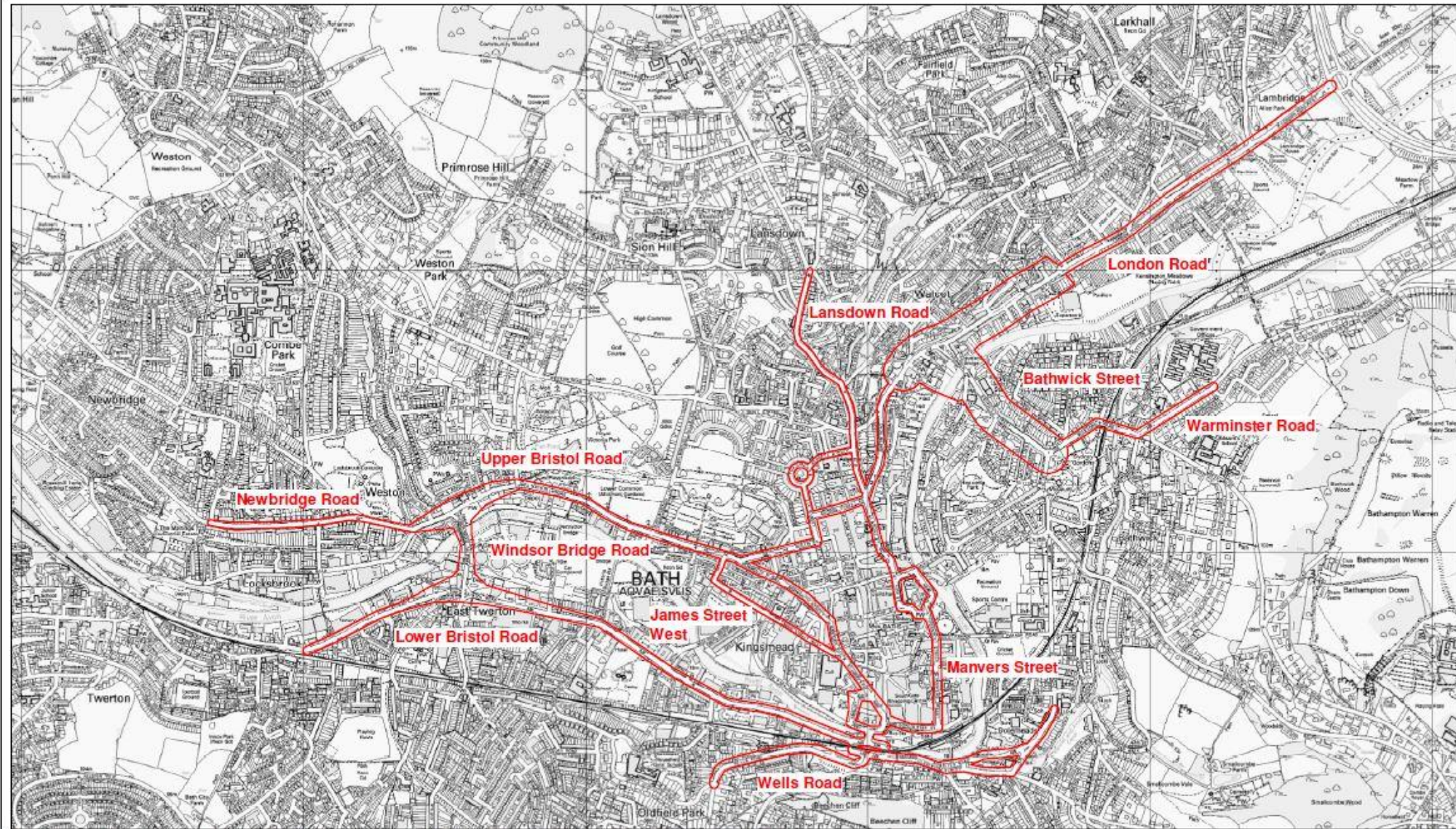
Bath Air Quality Management Area 2013

NO2 Annual Mean and 1-hour Objectives

Compiled by N Courthold on 22 January 2013

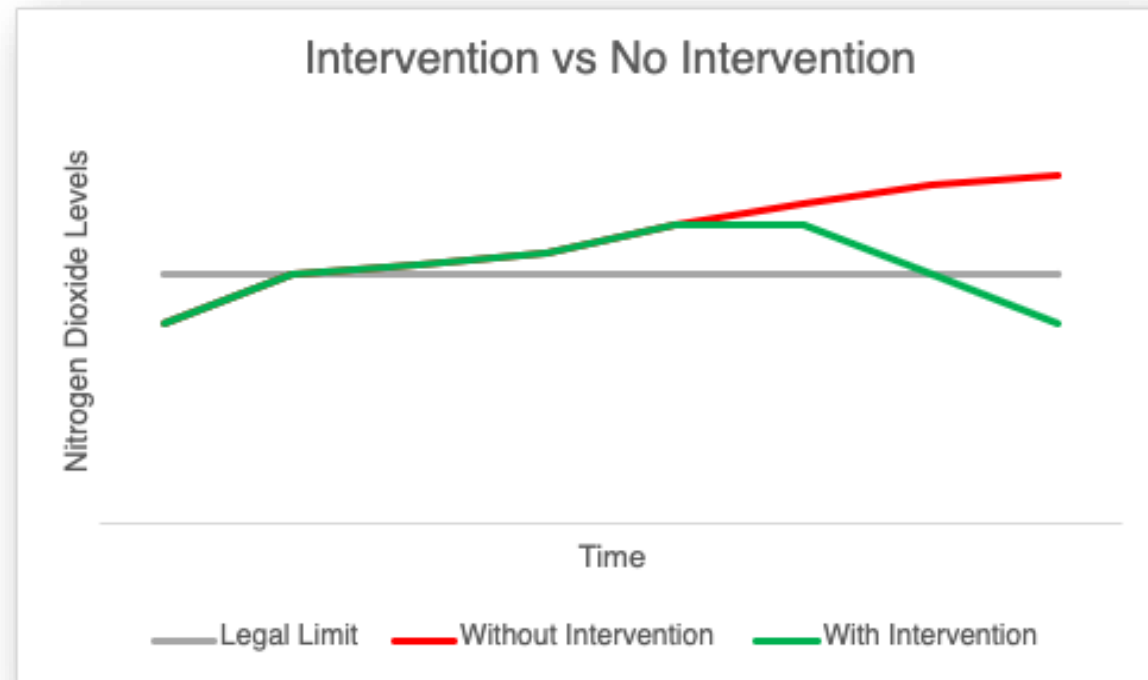
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Why was a Clean Air Zone necessary?

- Despite AQMA, still exceeded legal limits of NO₂
- Without intervention, this would continue until 2025.
- Mandated by Government to urgently tackle air pollution and bring NO₂ down to legal limit.



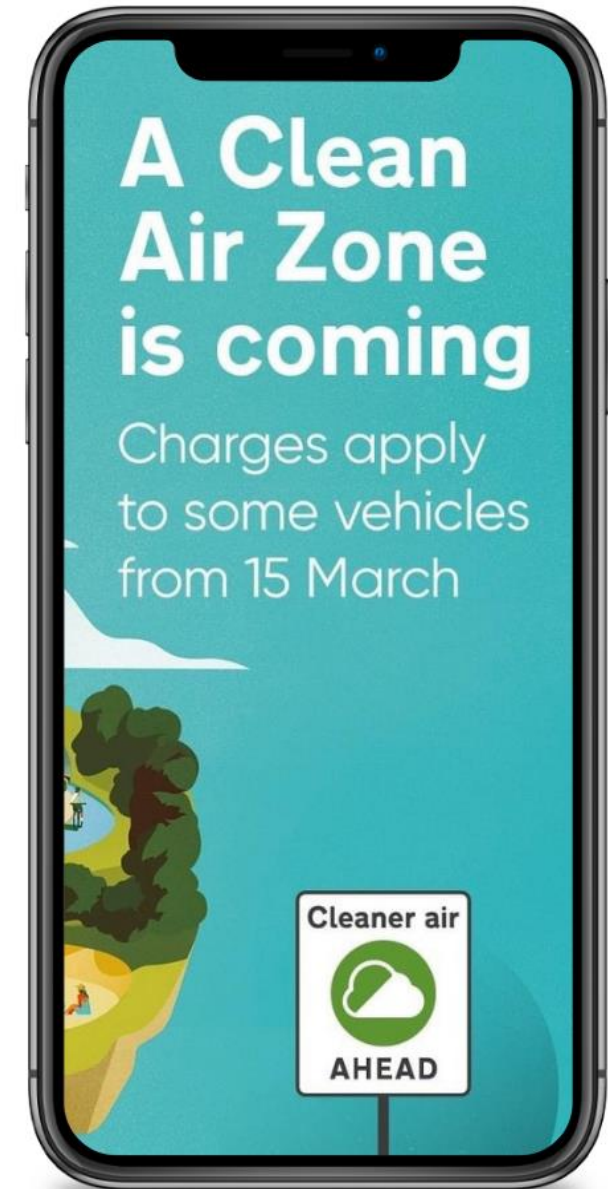
Challenges

- . New type of intervention
- . Getting the public onboard
- . Huge IT & infrastructure project
- . New administration
- . Carrot vs stick
- . Pandemic!
- . First in the country



What Went Well?

- Big budget for comms focused on health impacts and support
- Extensive consultation and engagement throughout business case development
- A varied workforce, great teamwork
- Minimised negative impacts



What Went Well?

- Focused on behaviour change, from consultation to enforcement
- Showcasing the progress and future potential
- Quickly improved air quality and public health
- Brought in funding for.....



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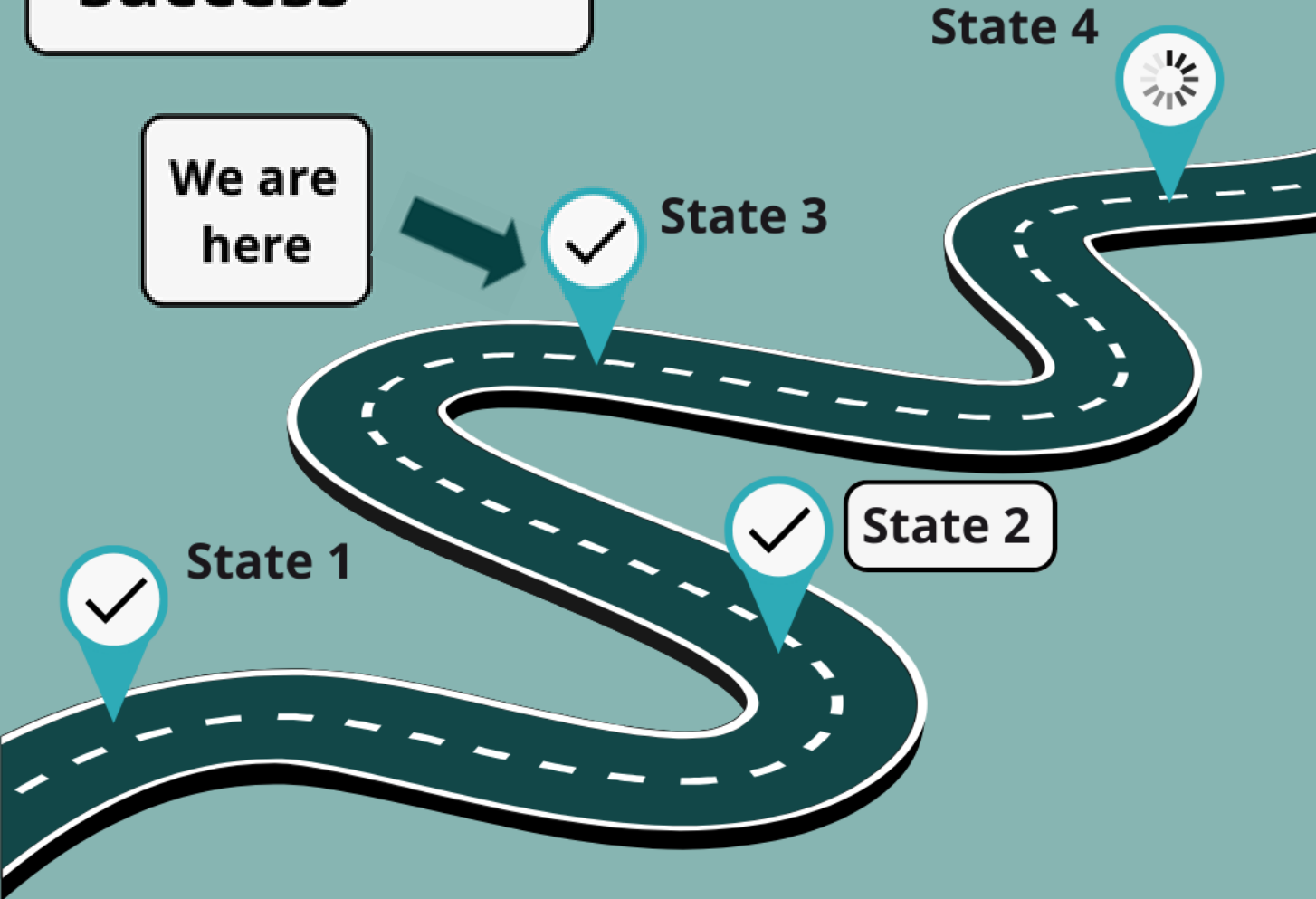
947
vehicles
upgraded

Income to
23/24:
£18m



Road map to success

We are here



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State 1

COMPLETED

On Track

State 2

COMPLETED

Achieved Success

State 3

COMPLETED

Maintained Success

State 4

PENDING

Likely to Continue to
maintain success

Cleaner air



AHEAD



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