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#### 1. Description of Site

Hill Green Accommodation Bridge is part of the South East Manchester Multi Modal Strategy (SEMMMS) A6 to Manchester Airport Relief Road (A6MARR) and is proposed to cross the route providing accommodation, pedestrian/equestrian route access to farmland.

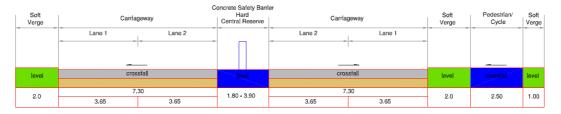
The Bridge is located in the vicinity of Park House Farm between Woodford Road, to the North, and Lower Park Road, to the South, at chainage 11040m approximately. It provides farm vehicle accommodation access and serves as a diversion of footpath FP31.

There are a few residential properties approximately 150m to the West on Woodford Road. The immediate surrounding area, however, is generally open farm land. An aerial location plan at 1:1250 scale with the bridge extents delineated in red is included in Appendix A.

#### 2. Highway Details

Over Structure: Hill Green Accommodation Bridge; 3.0m width single carriageway with two verges and string courses (2 X 0. 5m Verges + 3.0 Carriageway + 2 X 0.5m string courses).

Under Structure: Under Structure – A6MARR with a total width of 24.7m wide. Central reserve is 2.6m. Other dimensions and arrangement are as follows:



#### 3. Proposed structure

The proposed structural arrangement for this bridge has been changed from three spans with piers at the A6MARR verges, to a single span structure at Design Freeze 7.

The proposed structure will be a single span fully integral bridge. The superstructure will be in the form of precast prestressed concrete U beams and reinforced concrete slab deck. The square deck width including parapet up stands will be 5.0m.

The bridge superstructure will be supported on full height R.C abutments which will be founded on spread footings. Reinforced concrete wing walls with a return of approximately 45 degrees to the bridge span are proposed and will be constructed on spread footings.

A proposed General Arrangement drawing is included in Appendix B.

#### 4. Span arrangements

The single span structure crosses the A6MARR square to the carriageway. A span of 28.7m is measured between bearing centrelines,

#### 5. Headroom and Clearances

A minimum headroom of approximately 5.7m is provided, therefore in accordance with TD27/05 the superstructure will not need to be designed for impact load.

The abutment walls are positioned at a minimum of 4.5m from the carriageway in order to mitigate the risk of vehicular impact.

#### 6. Road Restraint system (Bridge Parapets)

Type N2 steel parapet with mesh infill is in accordance Road Restraints Risk Assessment Process (RRRAP) and TD19/06. Working width class to be not greater than W4 and will be decided in the final stage of the design. The parapet height is to be 1800mm above finished surfacing level as required for equestrian usage. A 600mm high solid infill panel will be provided in order to obstruct an animal's view of the road below. Mesh infill will be provided for remaining height of the parapet.

Timber post and three rail fencing with a pvc coated mesh infill are to be provided at the bridge approaches.

Steel tubular hand rails are to be provided at the tops of the wingwalls.

#### 7. Preferred Structural Option

#### 7.1 Superstructure

Single span, fully integral pre-cast pre-stressed concrete beams and slab deck - refer to Drawing Number 1007/3D/DF7/A6-MA/B005/706 in appendix B:

Fully integral construction is a feasible and considered a cost effective solution. Elimination of movement joints removes a major cause of maintenance problems from penetration of dirt, water and de-icing salts, which corrode substructures. The advantages and disadvantages of using pre-cast concrete beams are given below:

The advantages for using pre-cast concrete beam construction are as follows:

- Low capital & whole-life cost
- Good aesthetics due to symmetrical structure
- Fast and efficient build
- Factory quality with engineered tolerances
- Low maintenance

- The beams can be lifted individually
- Permanent formwork provides self-supporting system during construction and eliminates falsework
- Reduces site works which are weather dependent

Disadvantages:

- Precast concrete beams are usually heavier than comparable steel beams. As a result larger cranes might be required to lift the precast concrete beams
- Heavier superstructure mentioned above might lead to larger foundation sizes
- Delivery times are dependent on a specialist supplier

#### 7.2 Substructure

It is proposed that the bridge will be supported on full height in-situ reinforced concrete wall abutments. They are regarded as the most suitable option considering the topography of the site, existing ground level and the feasibility of the work.

With settlement regulated by the use of imported granular fill it is proposed that the R.C. wall abutments will be supported on spread footings. Further discussion regarding the geotechnical assessment is addressed in Section 8 of this report.

#### 8. Geotechnical Information

The ground and groundwater conditions for the Hill Green Accommodation Bridge have been assessed using relevant geological maps (Stockport Sheet 98, Solid and Drift Scale 1:50,000) and 3 No. exploratory bore holes logs provided by a number of phases of GI for the area.

#### 8.1 Groundwater

The ground conditions described on the geological maps indicate Boulder Clay of Recent and Pleistocene age, over Pebble Beds, of Permian to Triassic age which are part of the Sherwood Sandstone Group; the ground conditions identified within ground investigation did not encounter rock head at this location.

#### 8.2 Preliminary Geotechnical Assessment

It is anticipated that the whole area underlying the proposed embankments will need ground improvement due to the presence of soft clays and peats at shallow depths, as this should regulate the settlements. The embankment will need to be constructed with imported granular fill (6N/6P) and will need to be monitored for groundwater, pore water pressure and settlements (inclinometers) during and after construction.

Additional deep GI/Cone Penetration Tests (CPT's) will be needed to probe for peat, and confirm presence across area before the final stage of the design.

Given that groundwater has been identified in a number of exploratory bore holes, drainage methods may need to be considered in the design. Further investigation into the groundwater levels and changes with seasons, along with flow rates is recommended for the foundation design and drainage methods.

#### 9. Environmental Impact Considerations

Refer to Volume 1 (Main Text) of the Environmental Statement.

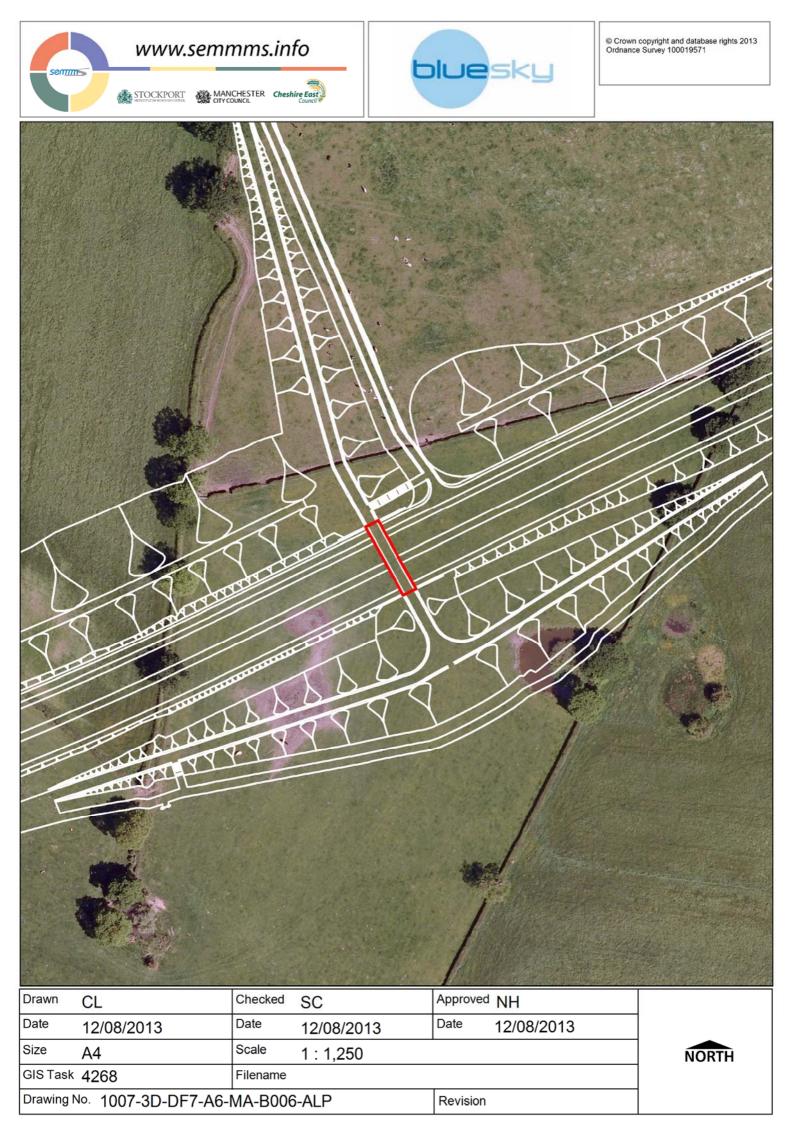
#### **10. Appearance**

The superstructure on elevation comprises of approximately 1.5m deep precast beams and 0.5m string course spanning across the A6MARR.

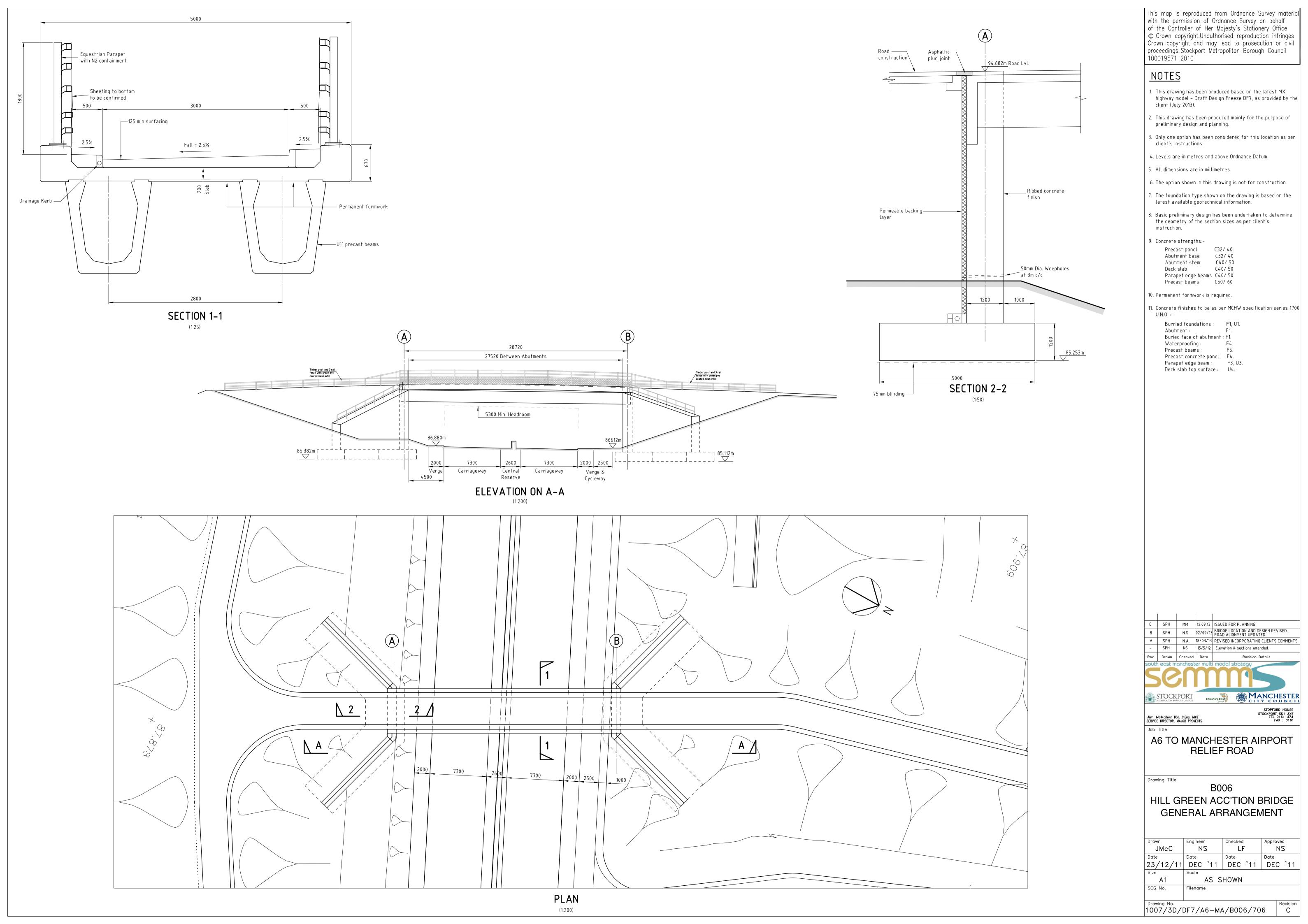
The appearance of the exposed faces of the abutment walls will be determined based upon SMBC planning requirements.

Appendix A:

Location Plan



Appendix B: Proposed General Arrangement Drawing 3D Model





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Appendix C: Reviewed Ground Investigation Information

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