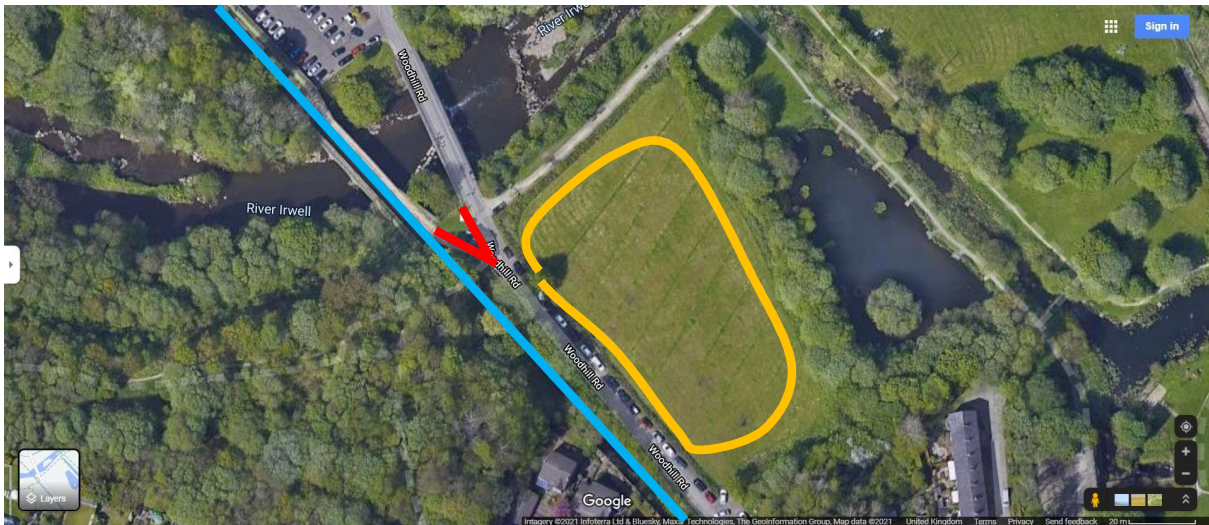


Background

The proposals are to upgrade the surface of the existing overspill car park at Burrs Country Park (shown below by the orange outline). The existing canal infrastructure is to the western boundary of the car park, shown below by the blue line

The red line below shows where the proposed new pavement will be created.



Current Site Photos



The photos over leaf show the current desirelines leading up the slope to the canal and along the edge of Woodhill Road across the bridge over the River Irwell.

The proposals are to formalise these routes to give better and safer access.

The existing desireline path to the canal will be widened to 1.2m and the surface made good with stone to dust (or other permeable surface with a natural appearance). The approximate length of this path is 17 lin.m. The depth of excavations to upgrade the surface will not exceed 170mm.

The desireline to the bridge along the highway will be formalised by the creation of a pavement, surfaced with bitmac with a new concrete pin kerb edge to the western edge of the car park; retaining the existing stone edge with Woodhill Road. The sloping ground will be graded out to meet the new pavement. The approximate length of this path is 19 lin.m. The depth of excavations for the new surfacing will not exceed 250mm.

The proposals for these new paths have been made purely for pedestrian safety – to create a continuous pedestrian path along Woodhill Lane into the centre of Burrs. The impact on the canal infrastructure will be minimal. Excavations for both paths will be kept to a minimum and the ground dug carefully and in short sections.

The new bitmac path is between 8 and 12m away from the edge of the canal, meaning impact on the canal, is again, nominal.