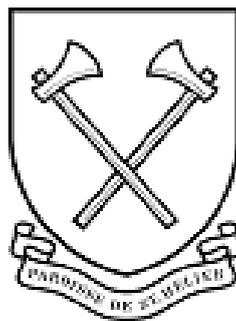


Road Improvement at Tower Road, St Helier

**For consideration by the Parish Assembly
on 28 September 2016**

PARISH OF ST HELIER

P.01/2016



PROPOSITION

THE PARISHIONERS are asked to take into consideration and if deemed advisable to approve

The recommendation of the Roads Committee and Procureurs du Bien Public that the Parish votes appropriate funds to proceed with the purchase of land measuring 210 sq ft (19.5 sq m) in Tower Road for the purpose of road improvements and associated legal and engineering costs. The Parish to pay all legal fees and the Connétable and Procureurs du Bien Public to be authorised to pass the necessary contract in relation thereto.

REPORT

In April 1953 a Parish Assembly approved a scheme to widen Tower Road and provide footpaths to both sides of the road. To date, approximately 95% of the scheme has been implemented. In 1981, due to changing circumstances, that scheme was amended and approved by the Roads Committee and since then four separate areas of land have been purchased and a footpath installed. The Roads Committee has, on various occasions, confirmed its commitment to the provision of safe pedestrian access in Tower Road in line with the above mentioned plan.

The Parish have been in negotiations with the owner of Broomhill, which is the property that forms the sharp bend (often referred to as the hairpin bend), about 200m from the junction of Bellozanne Road and Tower Road.

In August 2016 the Parish reached an agreement with the owner, to purchase a small section of the garden to 'Broomhill' (shown yellow on the plan). This will enable a footpath to be constructed on inner side of the sharp bend (shown blue on the plan), eliminating the risk of pedestrians being forced onto the road. This will be Phase one. The Parish already owns the piece of land shown red on the plan.

The Parish would seek to undertake Phase 2 of the road improvement line when the property becomes available.

A professional and independent valuation for the small parcel of land was undertaken by RICS qualified surveyor. The small section of the garden has been valued at £ 1,500.

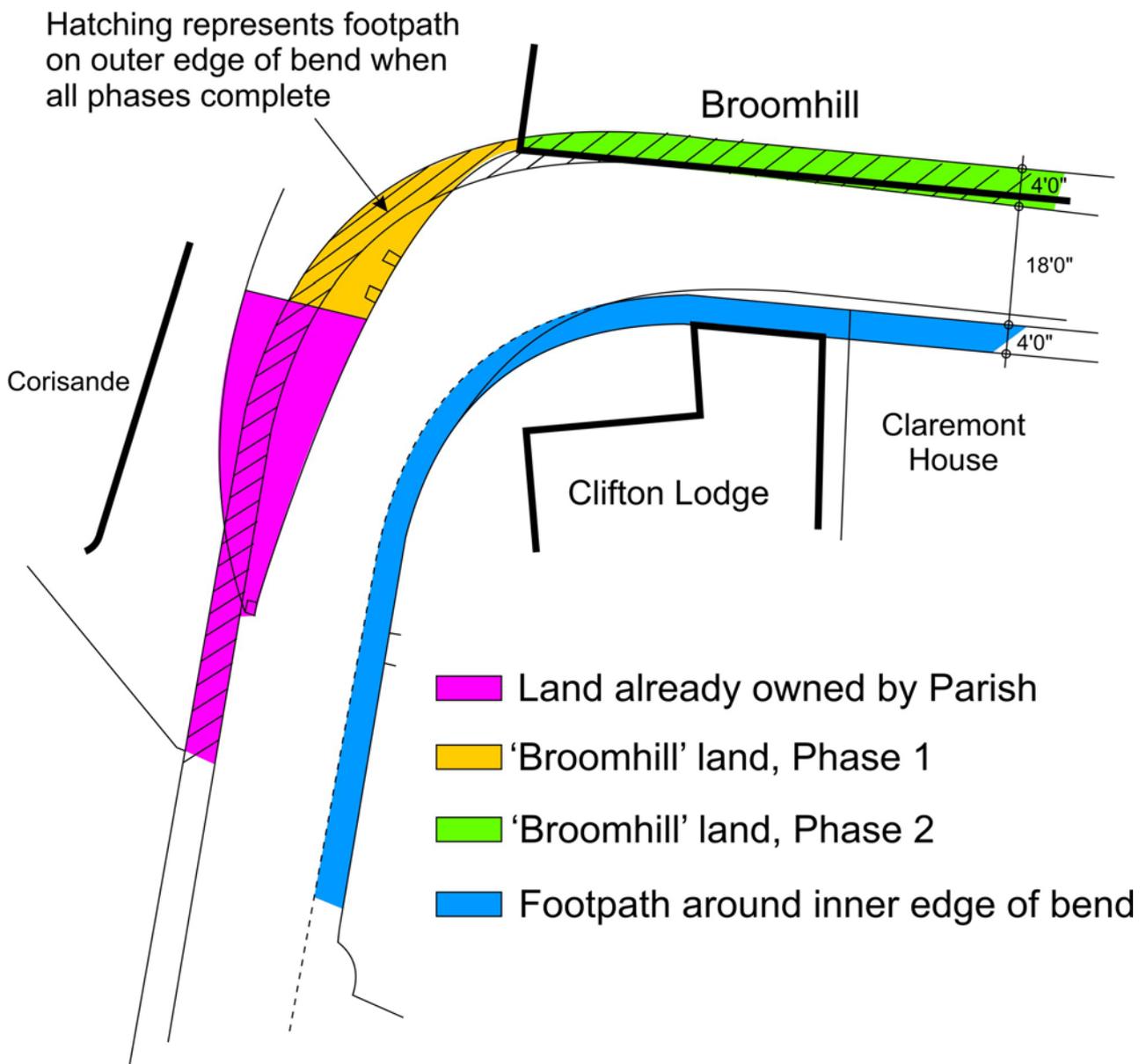
Therefore, the matters before the Assembly are:

- 1 To approve the sum of £ 1,500 and reasonable legal fees (the Parish would be paying all legal fees) for the purchase of land measuring approximately 210 sq ft (19.5 sq m).
- 2 To approve a cost of up to £ 15,000 for the Parish to appoint a Civil Engineer to produce a scheme that is to be presented to a later Parish Assembly for approval.

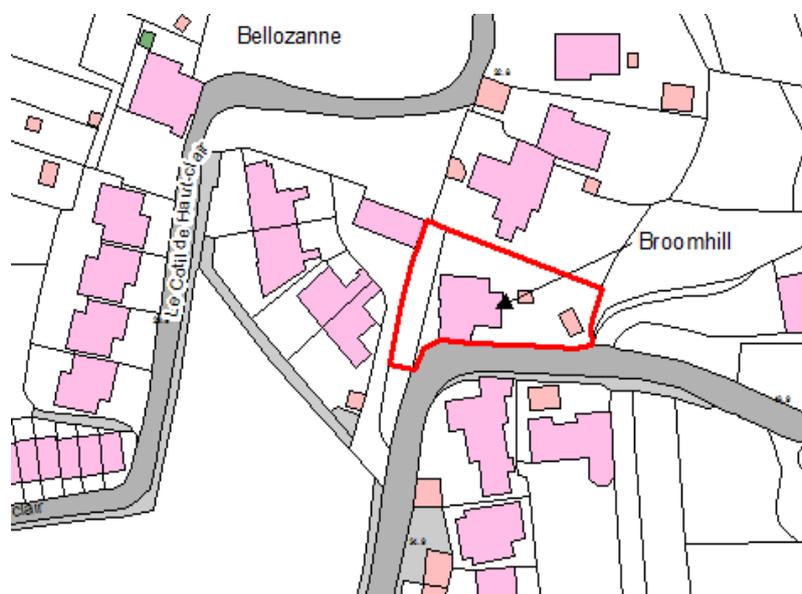
If the above proposition is approved the next stage will be to pass contract in court, instruct a Civil Engineer to produce a scheme for the improvements and provide a budget cost. This will be presented to a future Parish Assembly for approval so that the Parish are able to obtain Planning permission and then deliver this much needed improvement.



This dangerous corner forces pedestrians onto the road, which places them in great danger



Land ownership & proposals



Location map