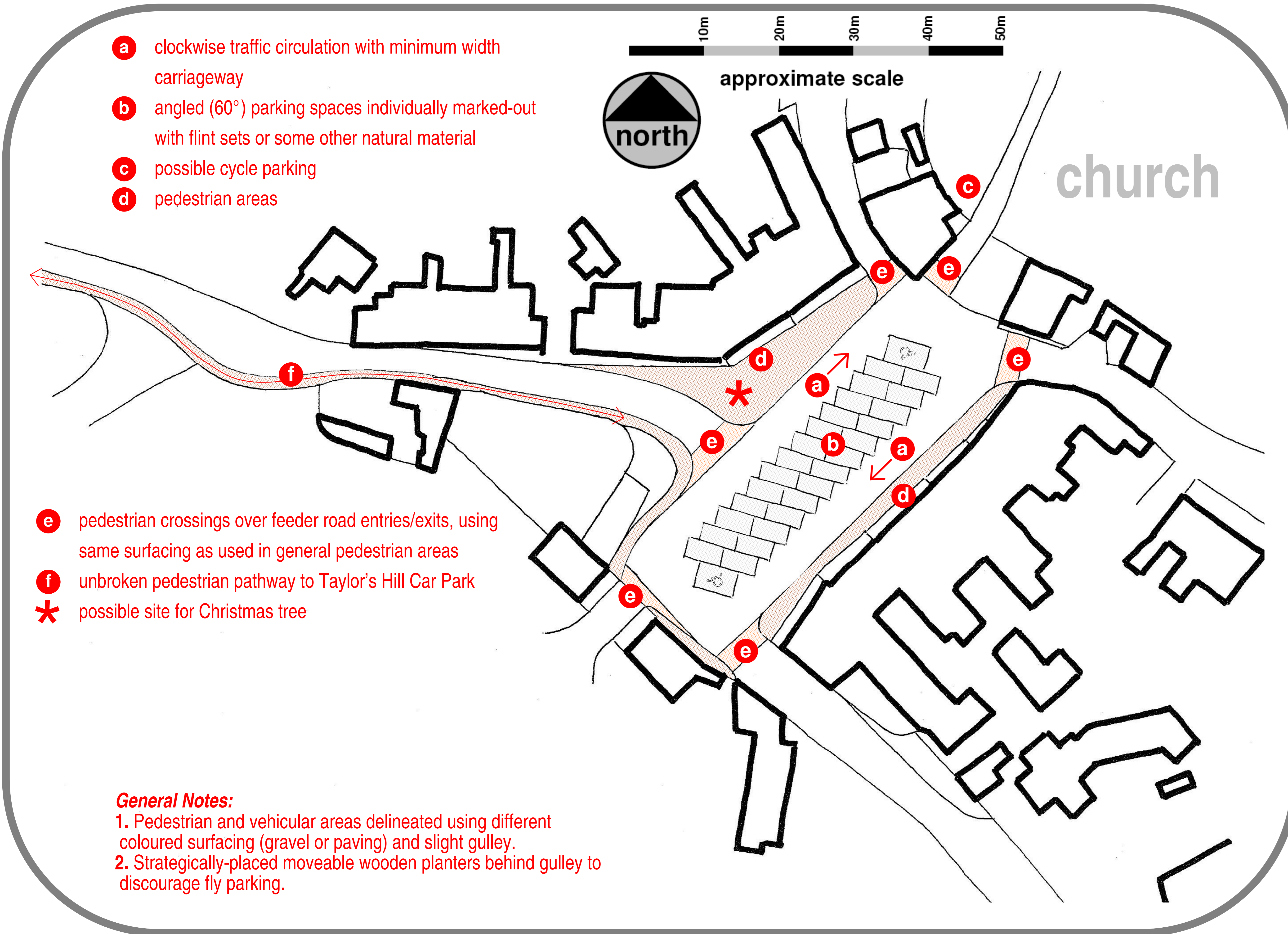


# OPTION 2



## General Description

The proposed scheme retains and also substantially improves on the existing structure of and circulation in the Square. Improvements include:

- orderly parking in the Square,
- creation of clear zones and crossings for pedestrians, and
- a more aesthetically pleasing environment for the community.

All of these things are achieved while maximising parking provision in the central area.

Overall, the proposed scheme seeks to create a more pleasant and safe space for visitors and residents while continuing to provide businesses and community facilities in and close to the Square with the access and parking they desire.

## Case For ...

- satisfies most community aspirations, most importantly –
- orderly parking and vehicular movement
- clear and safe pedestrian zones
- greatly improved access for emergency and service vehicles
- a more aesthetically pleasing environment for the community overall
- achieves all the above while maximising parking provision and, therefore, minimising parking reduction impacts

## Case Against ...

- implementation costs
- implementation impacts
- parking reduction
- Castle-Church sight line compromised

## ... Response

- one-off and relatively modest
- can be programmed to minimise impacts
- minimum possible
- of lower priority than other aspirations

## Parking Arrangement & Provision

- 28 angled and individually marked parking spaces in two rows in the centre of the Square, including 2 disabled spaces, one at each end
- maintains clear access to and from the feeder roads
- suitably-signed cycle parking in churchyard

## Pedestrian & Vehicular Movement

- angled parking supports clockwise circulation and also allows reduced road width around the parking area, maximising the width of pedestrian areas either side and encouraging lower traffic speeds
- carriageways edged by "slight" gully, backed by strategically-placed moveable wooden planters
- different coloured surfacing on pedestrian areas and at the top of the feeder roads
- marked walkway to Taylor's Hill Car Park

## Views & Aesthetics

- open building frontages
- differentiated surfaces between pedestrian and vehicular areas
- strategically-placed moveable planters will visually enhance the Square
- parking and pedestrian areas respect the Square's historic shape and function

## Possible Implementation Issues

- costs involved in implementing proposed layout are relatively modest and one-off
- careful implementation of proposed layout would minimise any possible disruption

## Flexibility & Use

- retention of generally-level or flush surface across the Square
- allows larger events (e.g. fairs and markets when desired)
- pedestrian area on northwest of the Square provides a suitable location for a Christmas tree
- design offers great flexibility when used in conjunction with an improved Taylor's Hill Car Park