

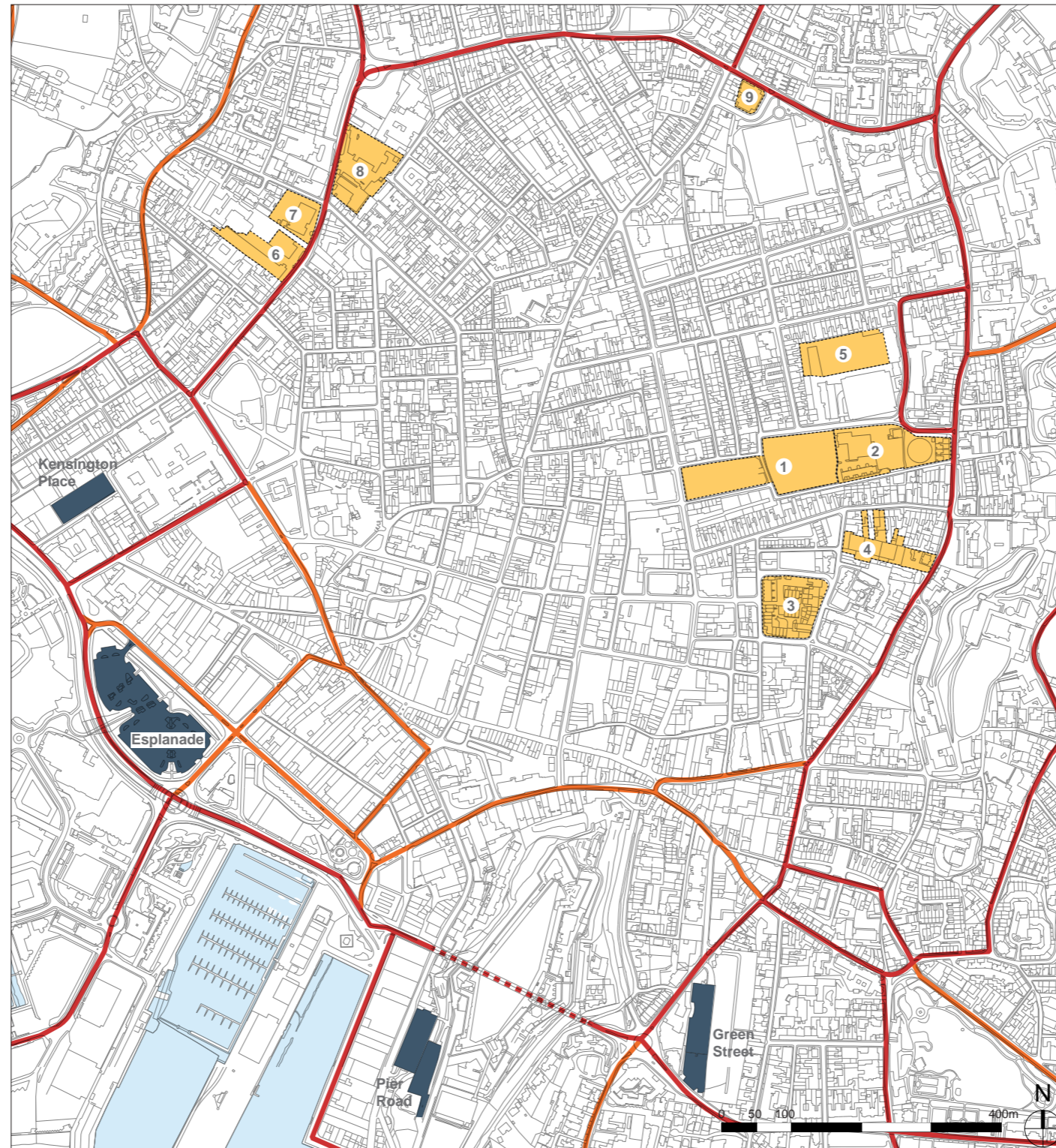
Future strategy for long stay parking in North St Helier

We have a strategy for the future provision of long stay/commuter parking in the north of St Helier area.

Previously TTS had developed proposals to replace the existing surface car park at Gas Place (for commuters and overnight residents) with a 3 storey above ground car park having perimeter residential accommodation on the Ann Court site. An alternative scheme proposes replacing both the Gas Place car park and Minden Place car park (for shoppers) with a 6 storey above ground car park also on the Ann Court site. The choice of site was partly to avoid incurring the full costs of remediation for a town park by adopting a 'cap and cover' strategy for the Gas Place and Talman sites, and partly to make use of the States owned site at Ann Court, which is well linked to the ring road. We considered these proposals in looking at the alternative solutions.

We agreed with local residents that a multi-storey car park was not appropriate on the Ann Court site, and with Chamber of Commerce that the Gas Place site was not appropriate for shoppers parking due to being too far from the markets.

This led to the decision that the long term commuters parking could be further away from the centre than the current existing car park on Gas Place site, but that short term (shopper) parking needs to remain close to the centre. We have recognised a need for residents parking (particularly overnight parking) within the vicinity of Gas Place, to replace lost on-street and Gas Place spaces and provide parking for new residential development which forms part of the masterplan.



Site plan

Key

- Primary roads
- Secondary roads
- Possible long term car park sites
- Public long stay car park

We identified alternative sites for long term parking for the North St Helier area. Ideally these are located close to incoming arterial roads.

The following sites were identified for consideration:

1. Gas works site - but this is no longer available
2. Jersey Gas site;
3. Ann Court site;
4. The Ann Street Brewery site with access direct to ring road;
5. The Play.com warehouse site to the NE of Town Park with possible direct access to loop of ring road, pedestrian access to Stopford Road for residents and pedestrian access to Town Park via historic warehouses
6. Broadcasting House;
7. Ambulance Station;
8. Police HQ and Fire Station;
9. Top of Val Plaisant, the existing surface car park on Robin Hood gyratory.

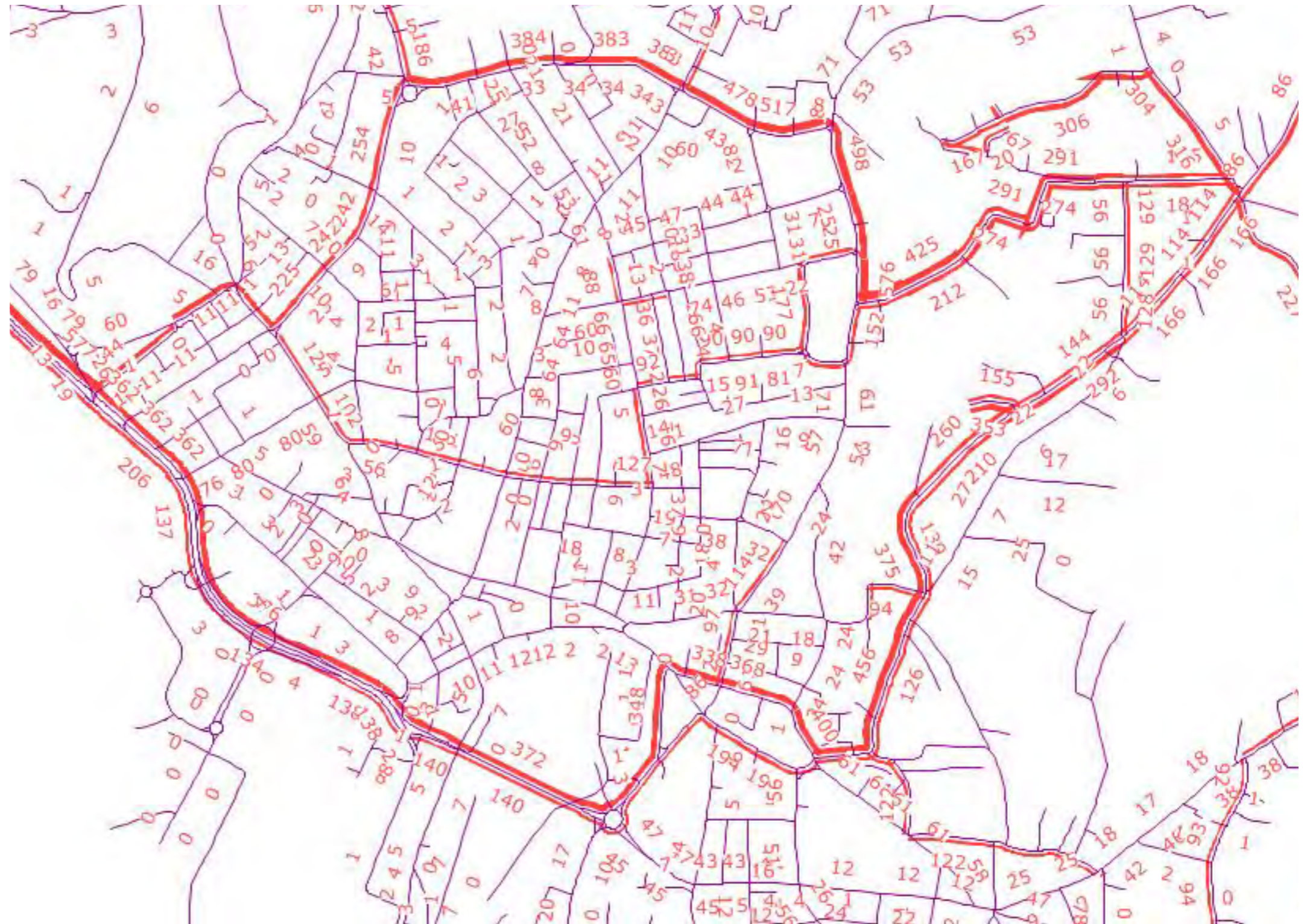
Education related traffic at 13.5%

A great deal of ring road and cross town related traffic is currently related to school drop offs and pick-ups. A proportion of this could be prevented by improving and increasing capacity on dedicated, reasonably priced school bus services to run from outlying areas of the Island.

There should be bus stops at the key commuter car park locations to encourage school children to switch to school bus for the last leg of the journey rather than their parents making the unnecessary car journeys backwards and forwards across town to drop them at the door to the school.

Better still, school children should be encouraged to walk to school for the last leg of their journey for out of town residents, and for the full journey for St Helier residents. Designated routes eastwards through North St Helier towards Wellington Road and St Saviours Road, which are safe and well designed, will encourage parents to allow their children to walk rather than feel they need to take them to school by car.

The greater the public awareness regarding the health benefits for both improved fitness and reduced pollution, the greater the numbers we can expect to switch to walking and the safer and more successful these public pedestrian routes will be.



Education trips: a total of 2,907 home based education trips, equivalent of 13.5% of traffic