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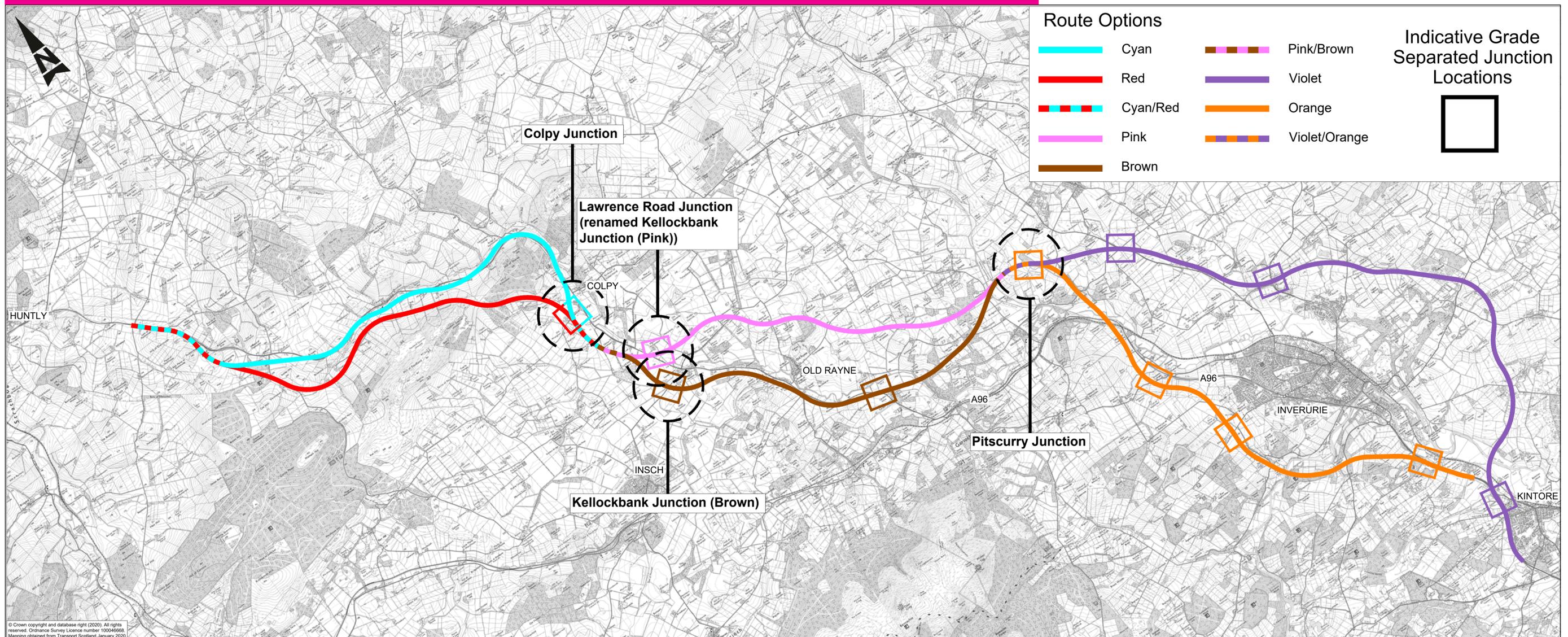
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Design development

We have made some changes to the junction proposals which were presented previously. The reasons for these changes are explained in the layout plans shown below and these changes are being taken forward as part of the DMRB Stage 2 Assessment.

A96 Dualling East of Huntly to Kintore - route options indicating location of junction alterations (dashed circles)

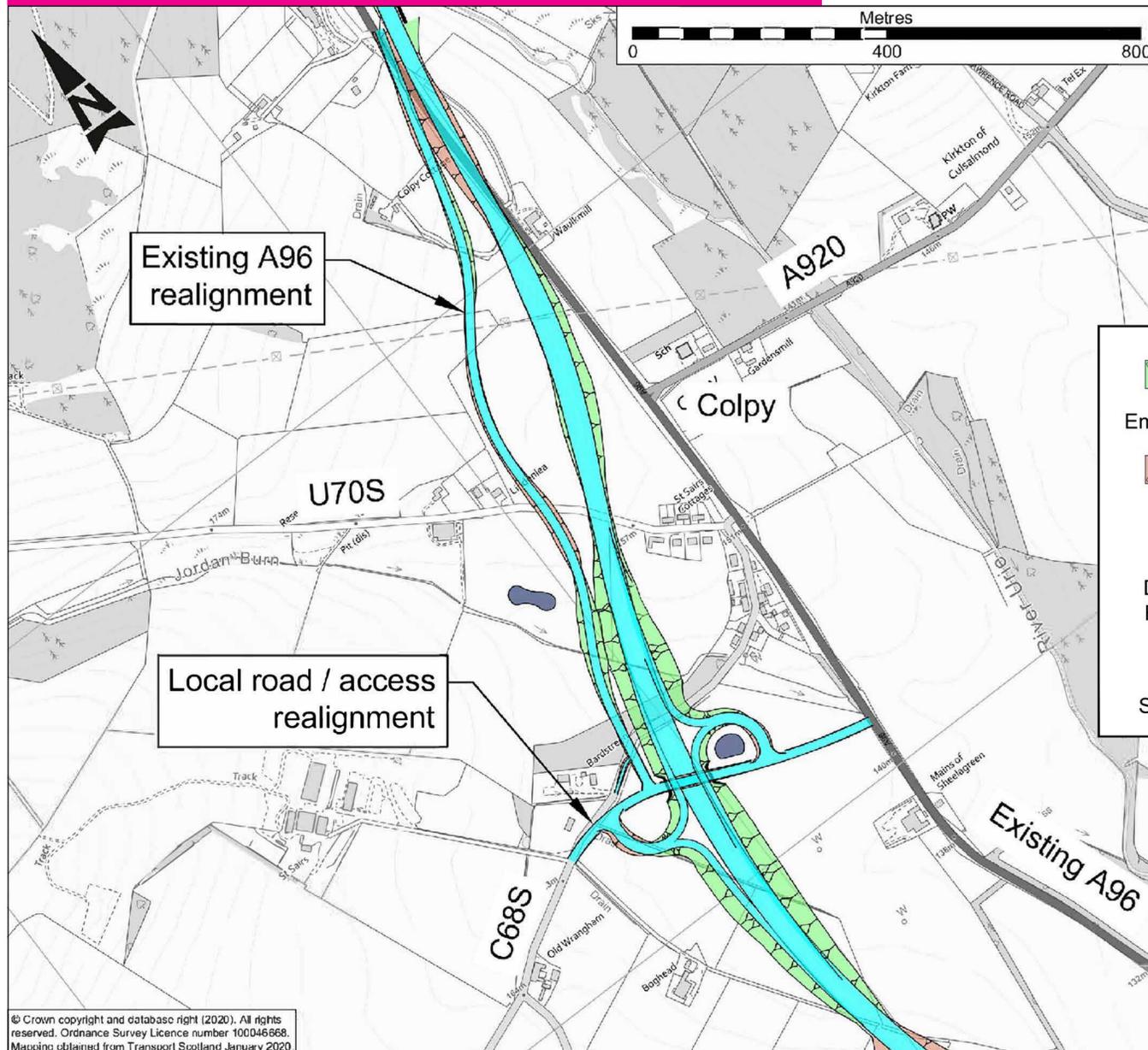


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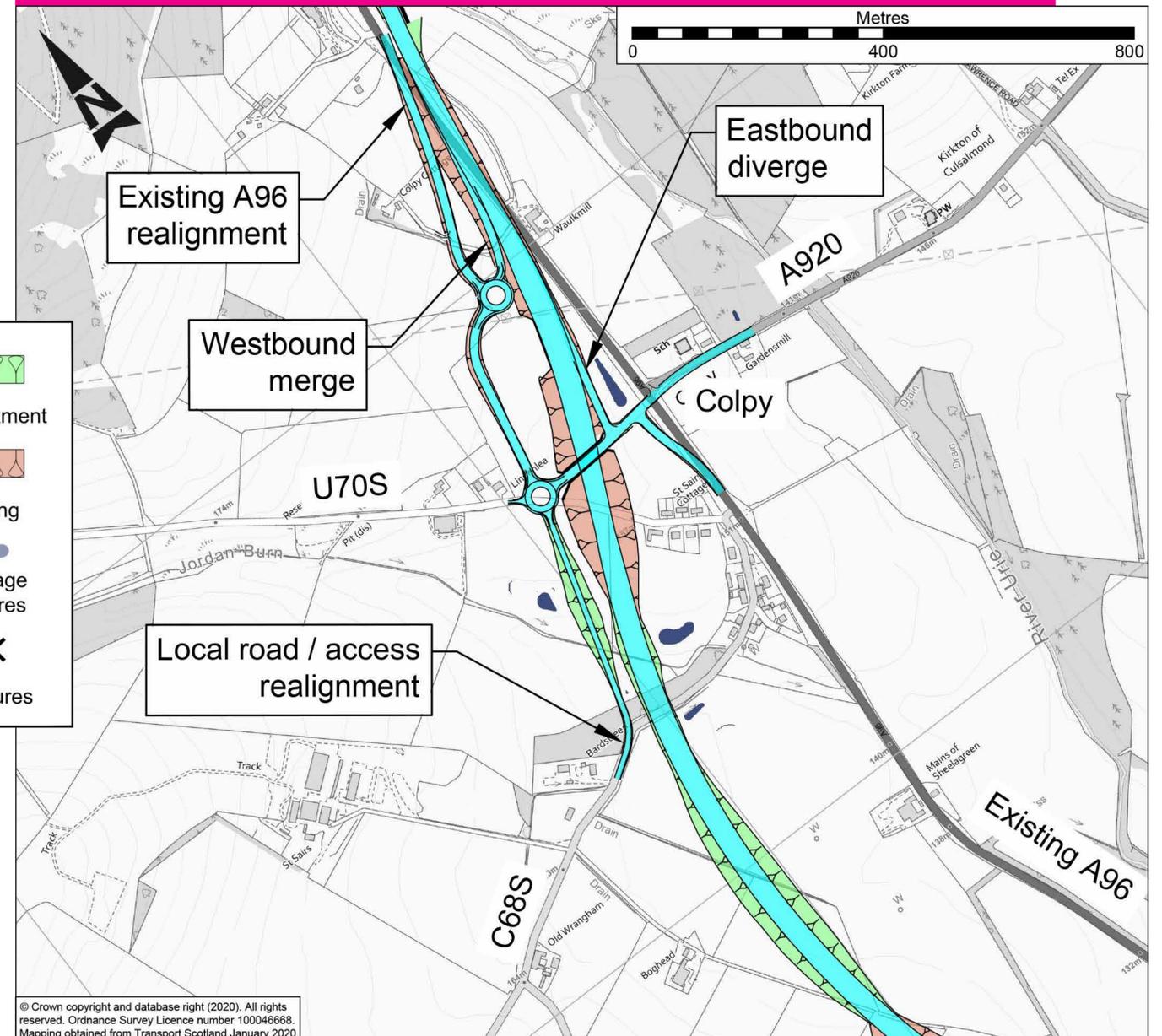
The Colpy Junction (Cyan) updated layout:

- is relocated north of Colpy with west facing slip roads only
- provides a shorter, more direct link to/from the A920 and to/from the new A96 west
- reduces the environmental impact on the Colpy community when compared to the previous layout by:
 - significantly reducing traffic on the existing A96 to the east of the village
 - reducing visual and noise impacts as the new A96 dual carriageway will be in cutting to the west of the village.

Colpy Junction (Cyan) All Movements: May 2019 Design



Colpy Junction (Cyan) West Facing Slip Roads Only: October 2020 Design

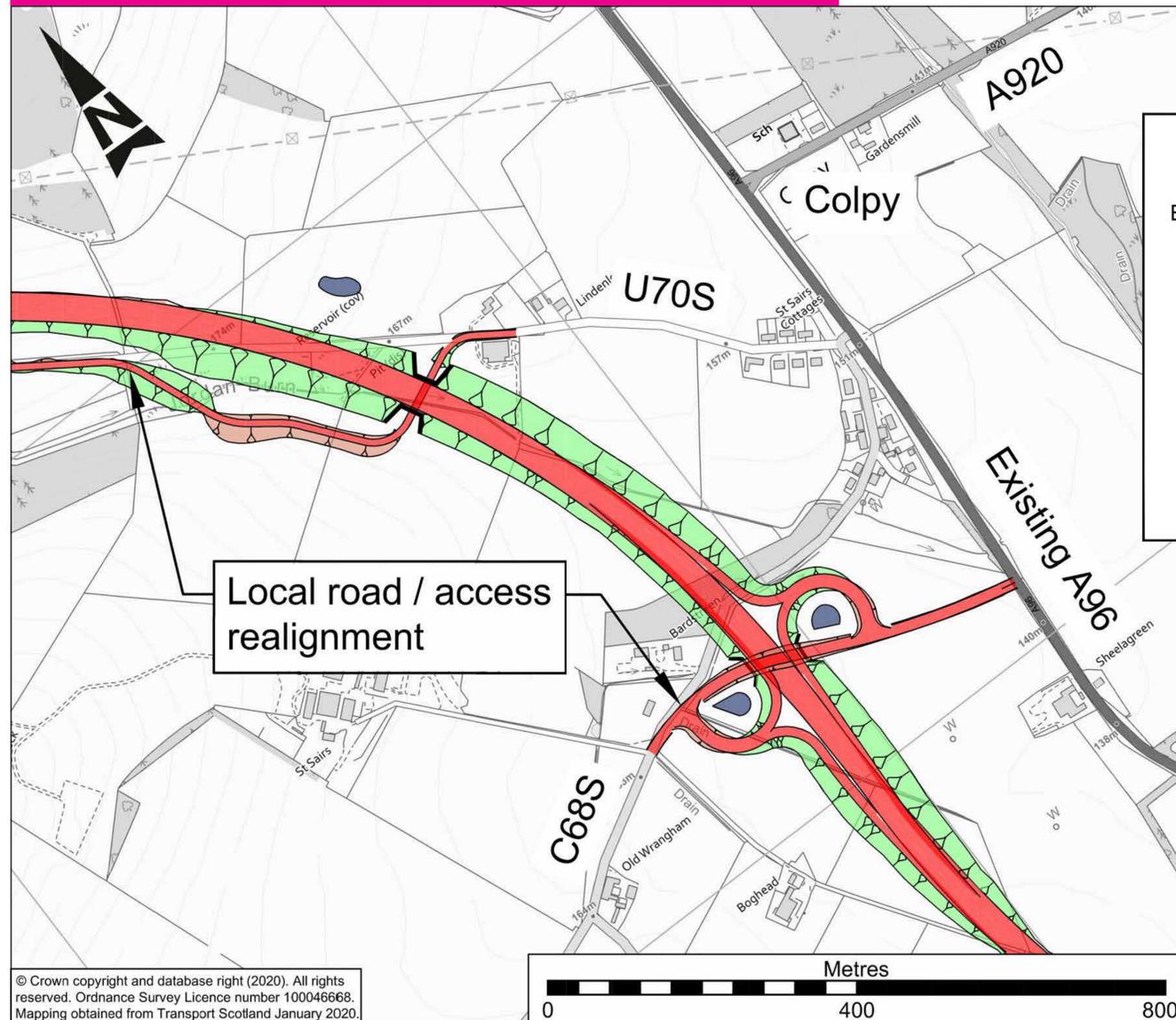


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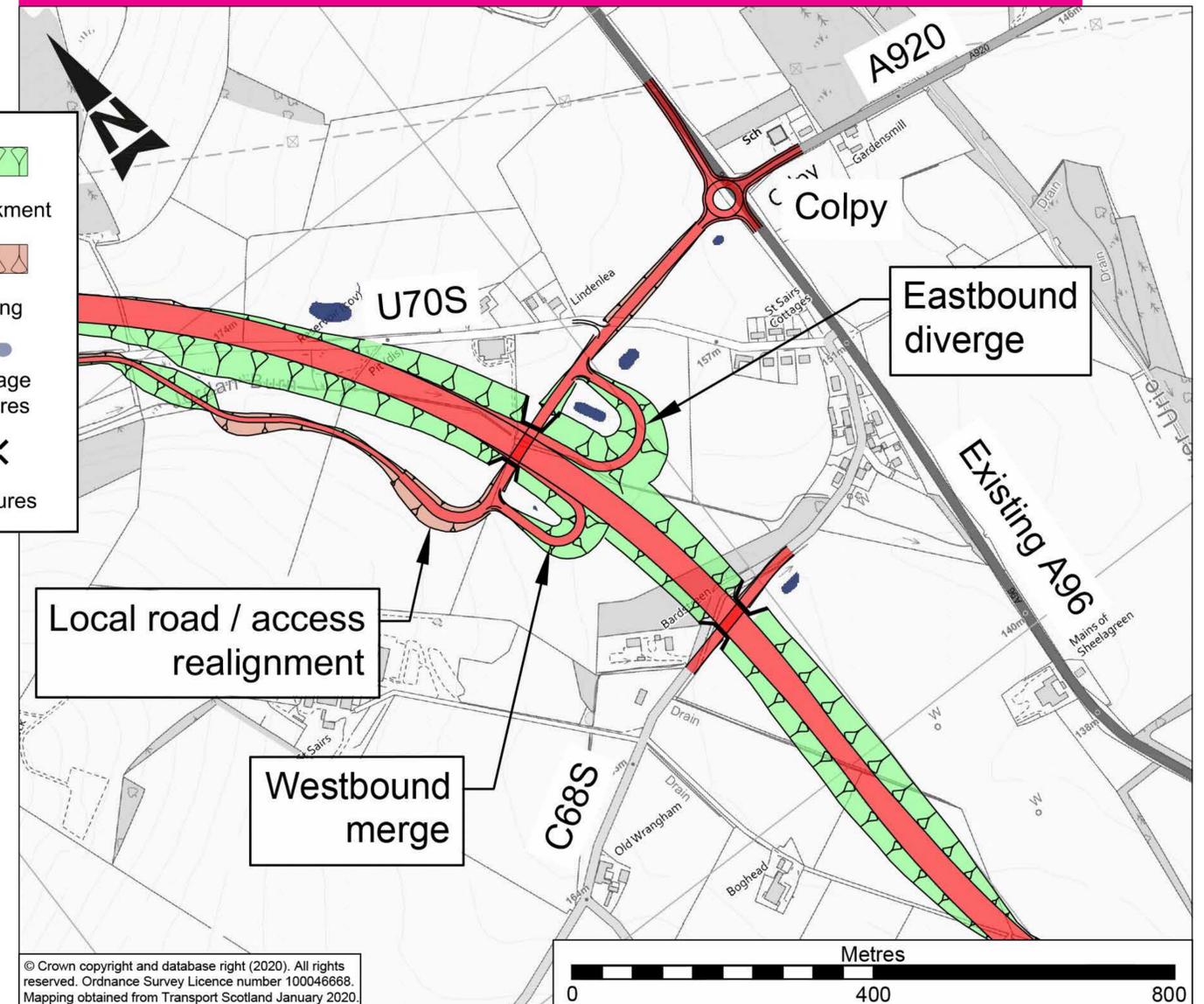
The Colpy Junction (Red) updated layout:

- is relocated north of Colpy with west facing slip roads only
- provides a shorter, more direct link to/from A920 and to/from the new A96 west
- reduces the environmental impact on the Colpy community by significantly reducing traffic on the existing A96 to the east of the village
- reduces C68S realignment, maintaining direct connectivity to properties to the west of the dual carriageway.

Colpy Junction (Red) All Movements: May 2019 Design

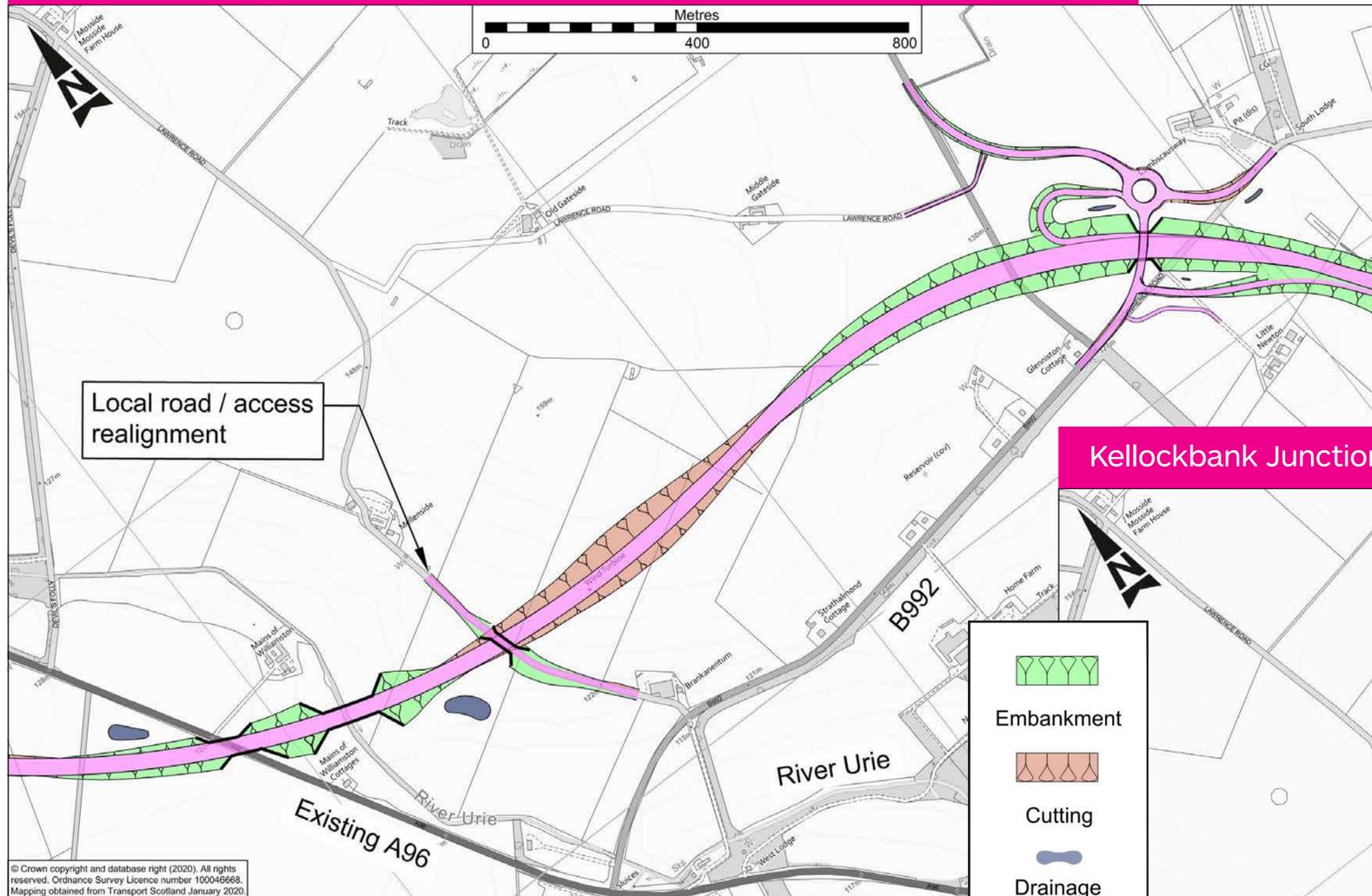


Colpy Junction (Red) West Facing Slip Roads Only: October 2020 Design



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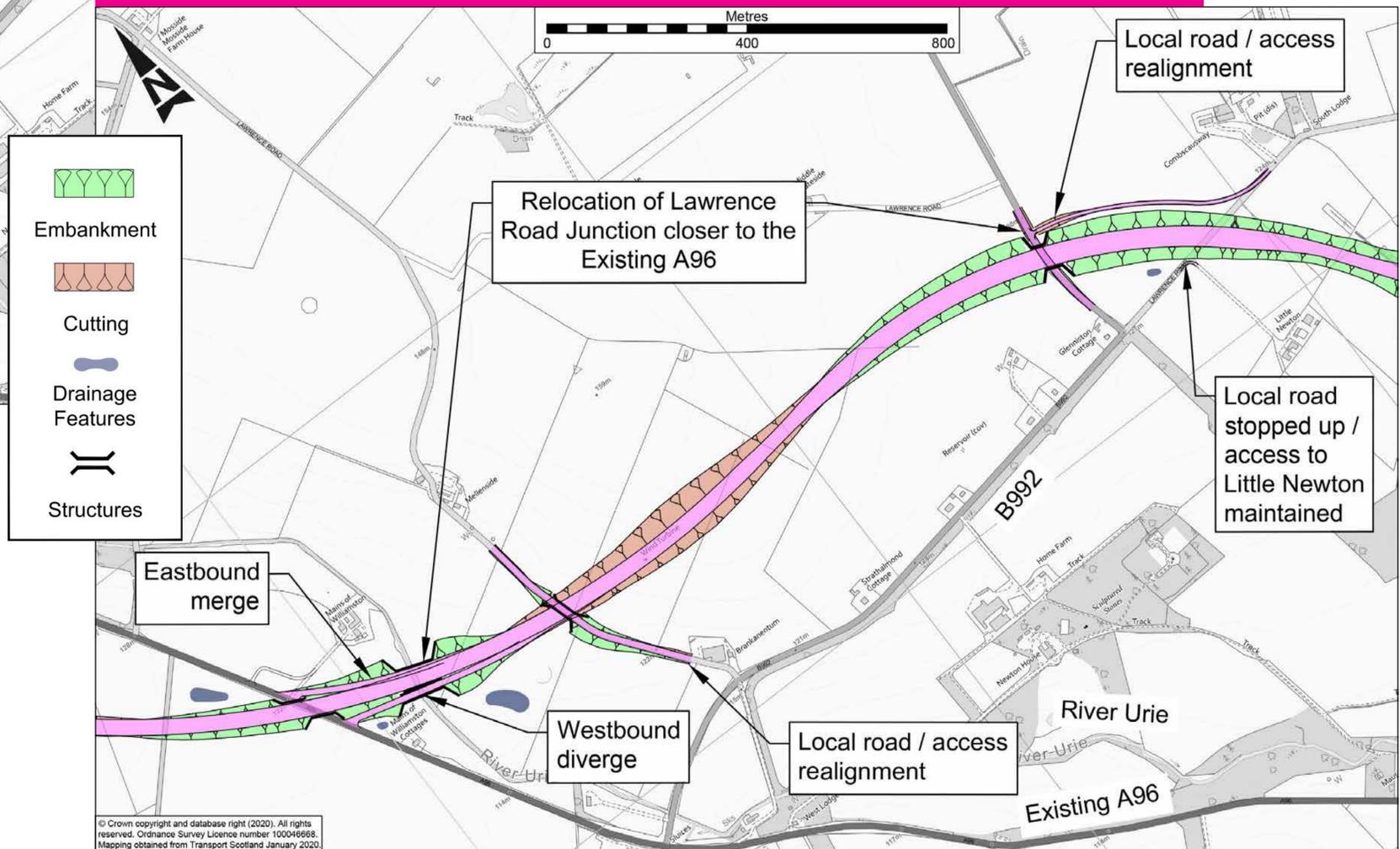
Lawrence Road Junction (Pink) East Facing Slip Roads Only: May 2019 Design



Lawrence Road Junction was relocated and renamed Kellockbank Junction (Pink). The new layout:

- has a smaller footprint that reduces the landtake and associated environmental impact
- reduces the traffic flows on minor roads (Lawrence Road)
- is relocated closer to the existing A96 with improved connectivity to/from the community of Insch.

Kellockbank Junction (Pink) East Facing Slip Roads Only: October 2020 Design



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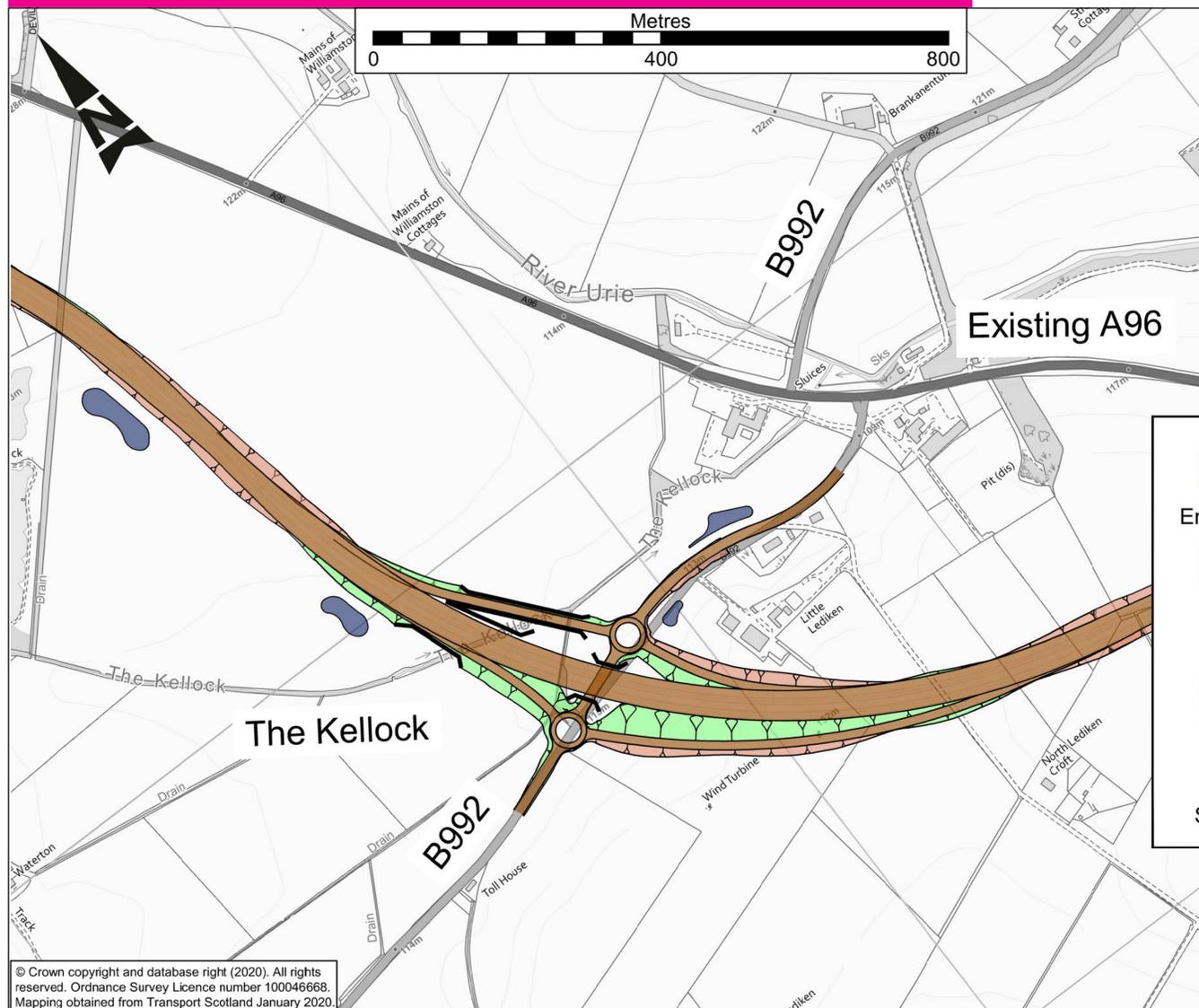
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The Kellockbank Junction (Brown) updated layout:

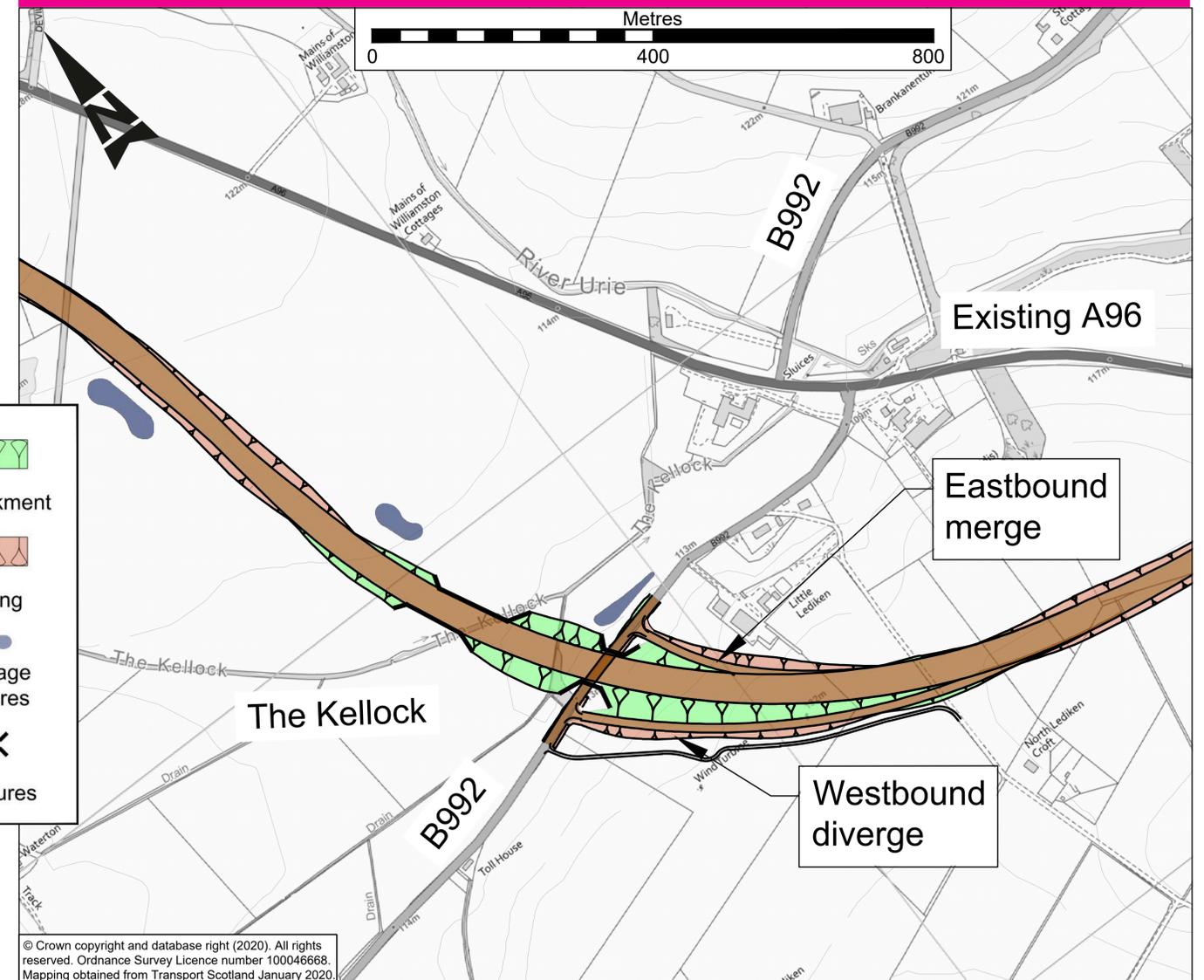
- has a smaller footprint, “half diamond” layout reducing the landtake and environmental impact
- requires only one structure over ‘The Kellock’ watercourse minimising the potential impact on its floodplain
- maintains connectivity to/from the community of Insch.

Kellockbank Junction (Brown) All Movements: May 2019 Design



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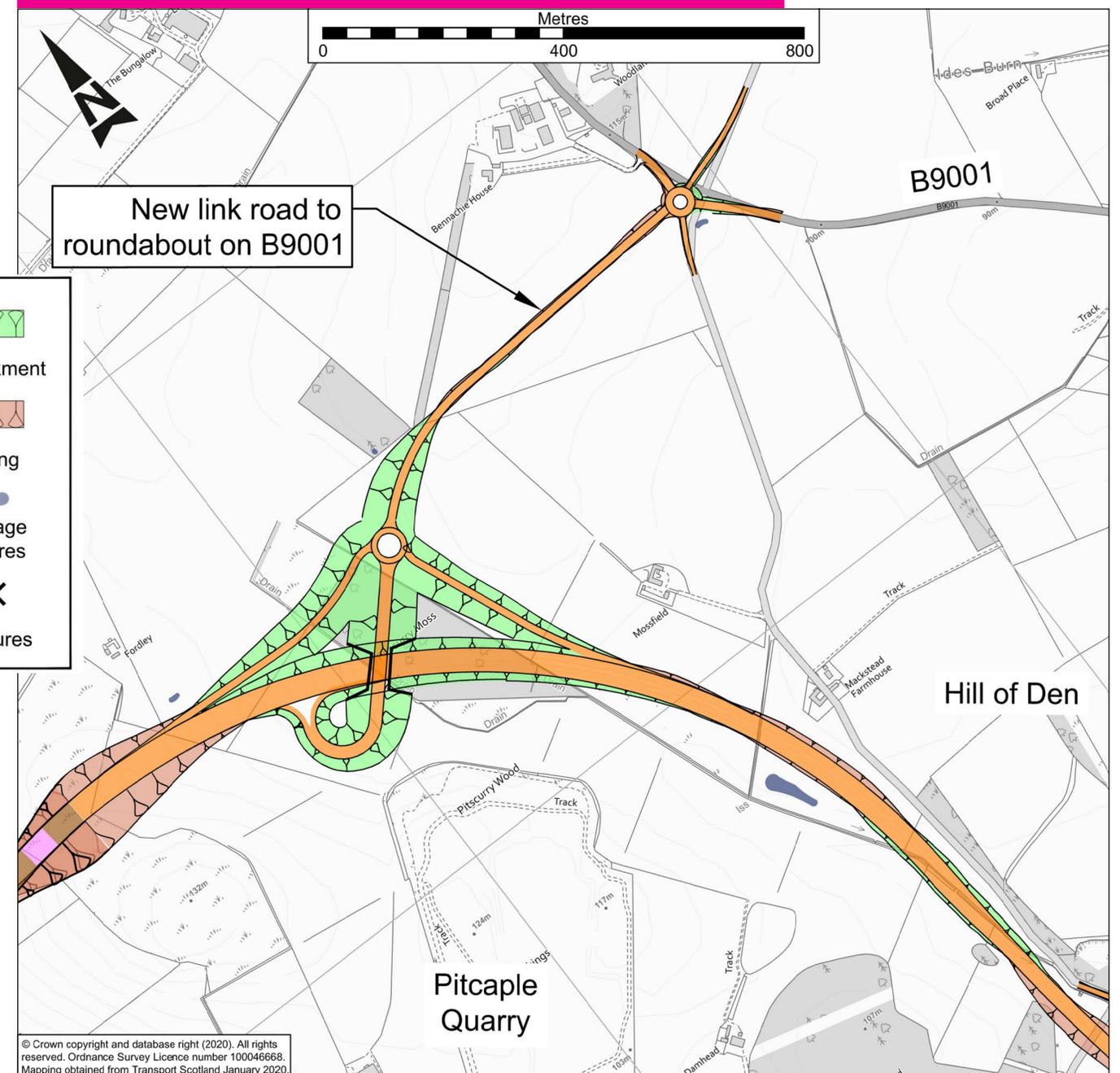
The new Pitscurry Junction (Orange):

- links directly to B9001 local road linking to the communities of Rothienorman and Daviot and removing their need to travel through Inverurie town centre
- enables traffic movements in all directions.

No Junction (Orange): May 2019 Design



New Pitscurry Junction (Orange): October 2020 Design



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Assessment of Traffic Flows

	Year		East of Huntly to Colpy ²		Colpy to Pitcable ³		Pitcable to Kintore inc. Inverurie Bypass ⁴		Kintore Bypass ⁵
Existing A96 Only	2019		9,300		8,700		20,000		25,400
Existing A96 Only (Do minimum)	2030		12,100 (+30%)		9,800 (+13%)		25,900 (+30%)		34,000 (+34%)
With A96 Dualling Scheme	2030	Existing A96	300	300	500	500	14,200	16,700	36,800 (+45%)
		Route Option	14,700	14,900	14,700	15,300	18,500	15,400	

Route option colours for reference:



- 1. All forecast figures are taken from the economic assessment and are Average Annual Daily Traffic flow (AADT) in vehicles per day.
- 2. Existing A96 traffic reported west of Colpy, within the Glens of Foudland.
- 3. Existing A96 traffic reported at Pitmachie.
- 4. Between Pitcable and Kintore, the traffic figures stated for existing A96 and Do Minimum scenarios represent the existing A96 between Blackhall Roundabout and Inverurie Roundabout (Inverurie Bypass). The Orange route Option traffic flows are reported between Blackhall and Thainstone Junctions. Violet Route Option traffic is reported between Uryside Junction and Tavelty Junction.
- 5. Kintore bypass traffic is reported between Tavelty Junction and Gauchhill Junction.
- 6. All percentage increase / decrease in traffic flows referenced to 2019 Existing A96 flows.
- 7. Traffic flows are calculated from the A96 Corridor Road Assignment Model Version 1.4.
- 8. Design and assessment of the route options is ongoing as part of the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges Stage 2 Assessment.