Metrolink 3A
South Manchester Line to Chorlton High

Caddington Road (Temporary) Site Access Planning Application
Design & Access Statement

Use, Amount of Development and Layout

Use of Caddington Road and the existing track to create a temporary site access onto the South Manchester Metrolink line for construction. This includes installation of two temporary paladin type gates to control vehicular access and one smaller temporary paladin gate to control the existing pedestrian footpath plus adjacent temporary paladin fencing to maintain existing levels of security. The access route will allow construction vehicles and plant only access and egress into the south Manchester Metrolink route. The site access is required to efficiently and safely construct the Metrolink 3A along the cutting within the Chorlton area.

Limitations on use.
The route will NOT be the primary access on to the South Manchester Line. This will be provided along the disused railway line from Trafford Bar.

Access would be for light plant and vehicles and would include, but not be limited to:
- Wheeled excavators, such as JCB 3CX.
- Tracked excavators.
- Dumpers.
- 8 wheel tipper wagons
- Land Rover type vehicles.
- Crew bus and pick ups.
- Towed plant such as shredders and fuel bowsers.

Anticipated usage
The access will only be used for specific operations. These operations will be controlled using site specific method statements. Access will be off Caddington Road and along the stone track on North side of the playing fields within Chorlton High School.

Scale
The temporary access route uses an existing unmade road that continues from the end of Caddington road and around Chorlton High School playing fields towards Chorlton Brook. The access formed into the Metrolink site will be approx 15m wide.

Landscaping
The existing landscaping in the site will not be affected by the proposals and the temporary access has been designed so not to adversely affect the character of the

existing site. Prior to any works commencing the access route, including Caddington Road, will be photographically surveyed for record purposes. During periods of use the road will be maintained in a clean condition at all times. This will be achieved by a combination of manual wheel washing within the access boundary and regular cleaning of the road by a mechanical road sweeper to ensure no dust/debris are present. Where the fenced boundary between the school and the disused railway cutting is removed, to allow access, this shall be reinstated to a standard as agreed with representatives from MPT and Chorlton High School. Any damage caused by the use of this access will be made good upon completion of the works. If the damage represents a hazard to residents or school users then immediate remedial action will be undertaken.

Appearance

The temporary gates and fencing will be Paladin fence type, 2.4 m tall. The Paladin gates and fence will be painted green. The interface into the Metrolink site will have a granular fill to maintain a constant track level.

Access

The site access will be for Metrolink Construction vehicles and plant use only. No public access will be allowed.

Control of Access

Access along this route will only be permitted between the hours of 9:30 and 14:30 Monday to Friday. If required weekend access would be on a 'one-off' basis and would require specific consultation. Fencing shall be established as detailed in Appendix A with access gates at Chorlton High School. Access gates will be controlled by a gateman during hours of use. During use the gates will be closed thus preventing unauthorised access on to access route. Outside hours of use the gates will be opened thereby allowing normal traffic routes to and from the school premises. The access gate on the boundary fence between Chorlton High School and disused rail cutting will be secured at all times when not in use. MPT labour force will park within the site boundary. Vehicles will not be parked on Caddington Road or within the adjacent roads/streets. Delivery vehicles will not arrive at access prior to 9:30am awaiting gates to be opened. MPT will act swiftly and firmly with any persons found to be working outside the conditions listed above.

Protection of the public

Gateman will control all vehicle movements during times of use. Vehicles and plant will be checked for cleanliness. Any debris on the road/access route will be removed by mechanical sweeper.