



Kilkenny County Council  
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*Kilkenny*

# St. Kieran's Street & Market Yard Enhancement Scheme

Kilkenny County Council Meeting

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2022



where medieval meets modern

# Design Brief

- **Enhancement of St. Kieran's Street to include the following elements;**
  - Provide new paving and clearly distinguish through route for vehicles from areas where outdoor seating can be facilitated
  - Enhance the relatively wide area between Butter Slip and St. Mary's Lane to include;
    - Public seating and sheltered areas
    - Landscaping
    - Consider boundary treatments
- **Provision of new public square in Market Yard in area where temporary outdoor seating has been provided to include the following elements;**
  - Accommodate outdoor dining
  - Public seating and sheltered areas
  - Consideration given to use as a performance area
  - Landscaping
  - Public lighting and feature lighting
  - Accessibility and permeability for pedestrians and cyclists

# **St. Kieran's Street Design Rationale**

## **(including Ossory Place)**

- **The paving for St. Kieran's Street will distinguish the vehicular through route from other areas using contrasting paving colours**
- **The area between the Butter Slip and St. Mary's Lane is envisioned as a unique public space in its own right**
- **Before it was a Norman city Kilkenny was a religious centre and the Kings of Ossory resided here - hence the suggested name of Ossory Place**
- **A large scale mosaic or street art mural (for example depicting deer) could give the space a definite identity of its own**
- **Seating, shelter and varied planting will enhance and enliven this area**





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**View along St. Kieran's Street**





**Plan View of Ossory Place**





**View from Butter Slip**





**View from opposite Butter Slip**





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**View from near St. Mary's Lane**



# View approaching from Rose Inn Street



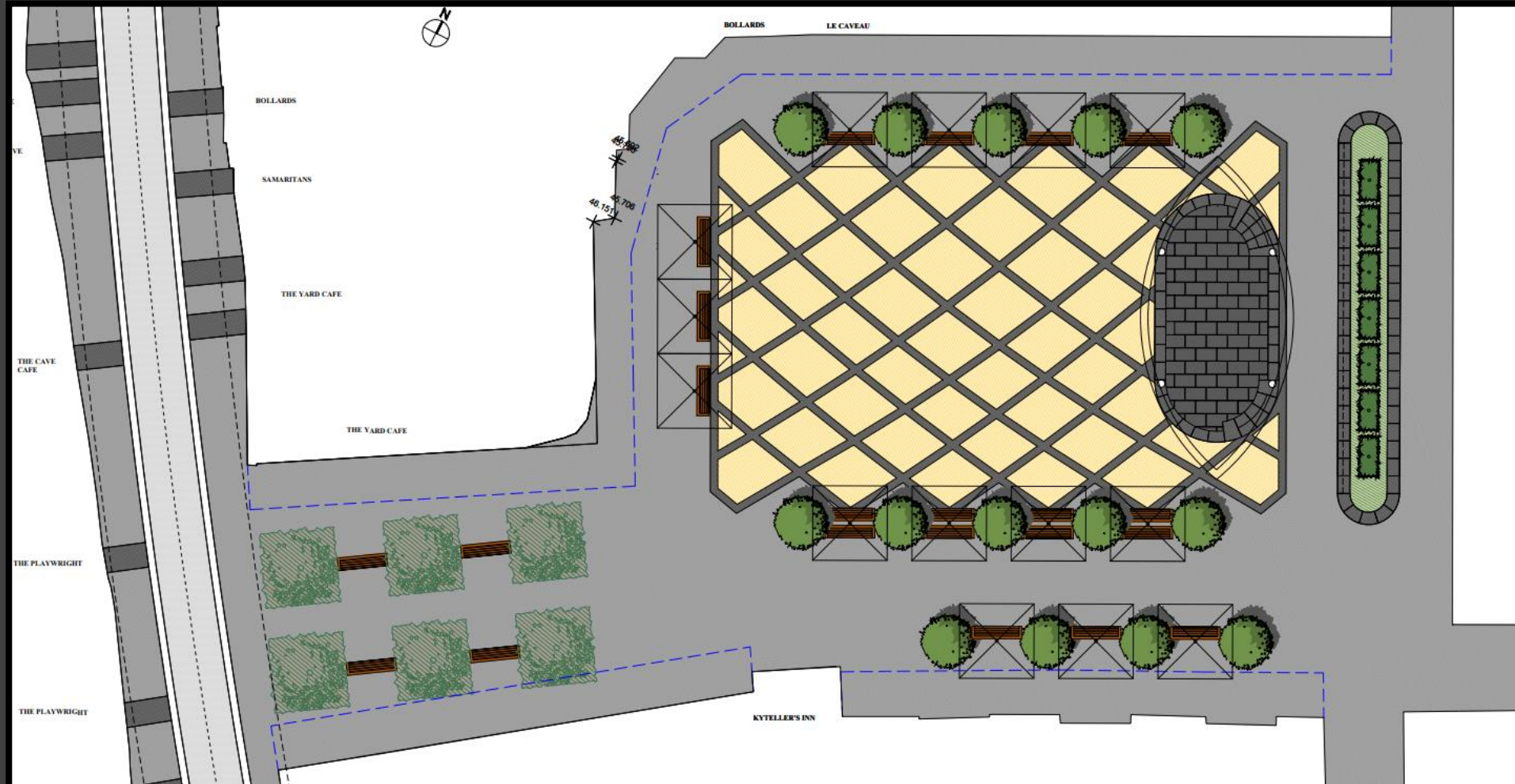


# Market Yard Design Rationale

- **Market Yard gets its name from a market that used to operate in this area up to 1884 selling fish, butter, wool and corn**
- **Visitors accounts of Kilkenny from the 16<sup>th</sup> Century onwards highlight the gardens and orchards as being a remarkable feature of the city**
- **Trees will define the space creating a sense of enclosure and visual definition while improving the micro-climate of the space**
- **Raised performance area will be provided with a raised canopy inspired by the form of a fish**
- **The paving of the square is inspired by a basket weave pattern**
- **Parasols and seating are proposed throughout to create an inviting space with flexibility for events, seasonal markets etc.**
- **Space is set aside around the perimeter to accommodate S254 licences**



# Plan of Market Square (including section of St. Kieran's Street)







**View from St. Kieran's Street**





**View of Market Square**





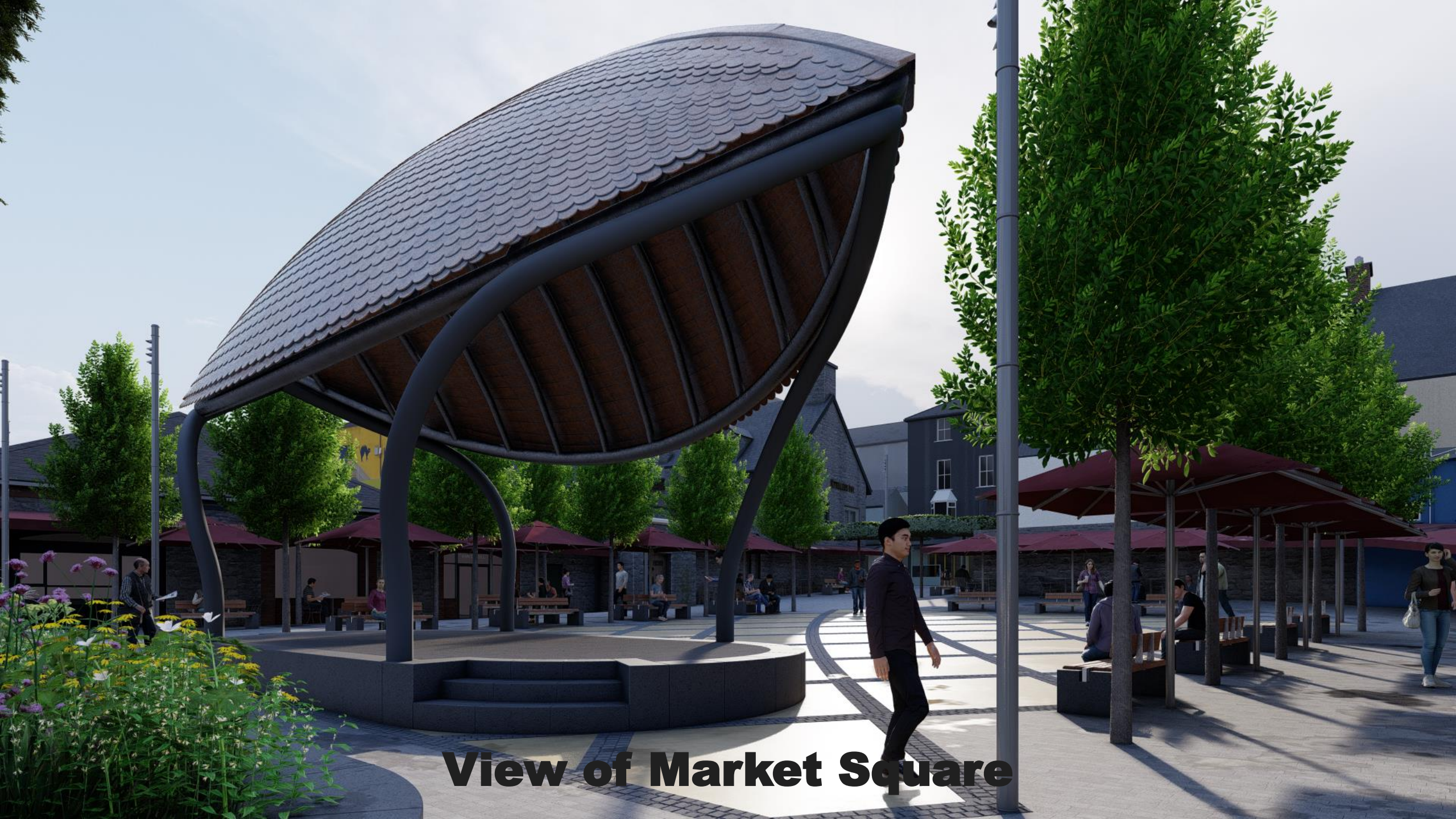
**View of Market Square**





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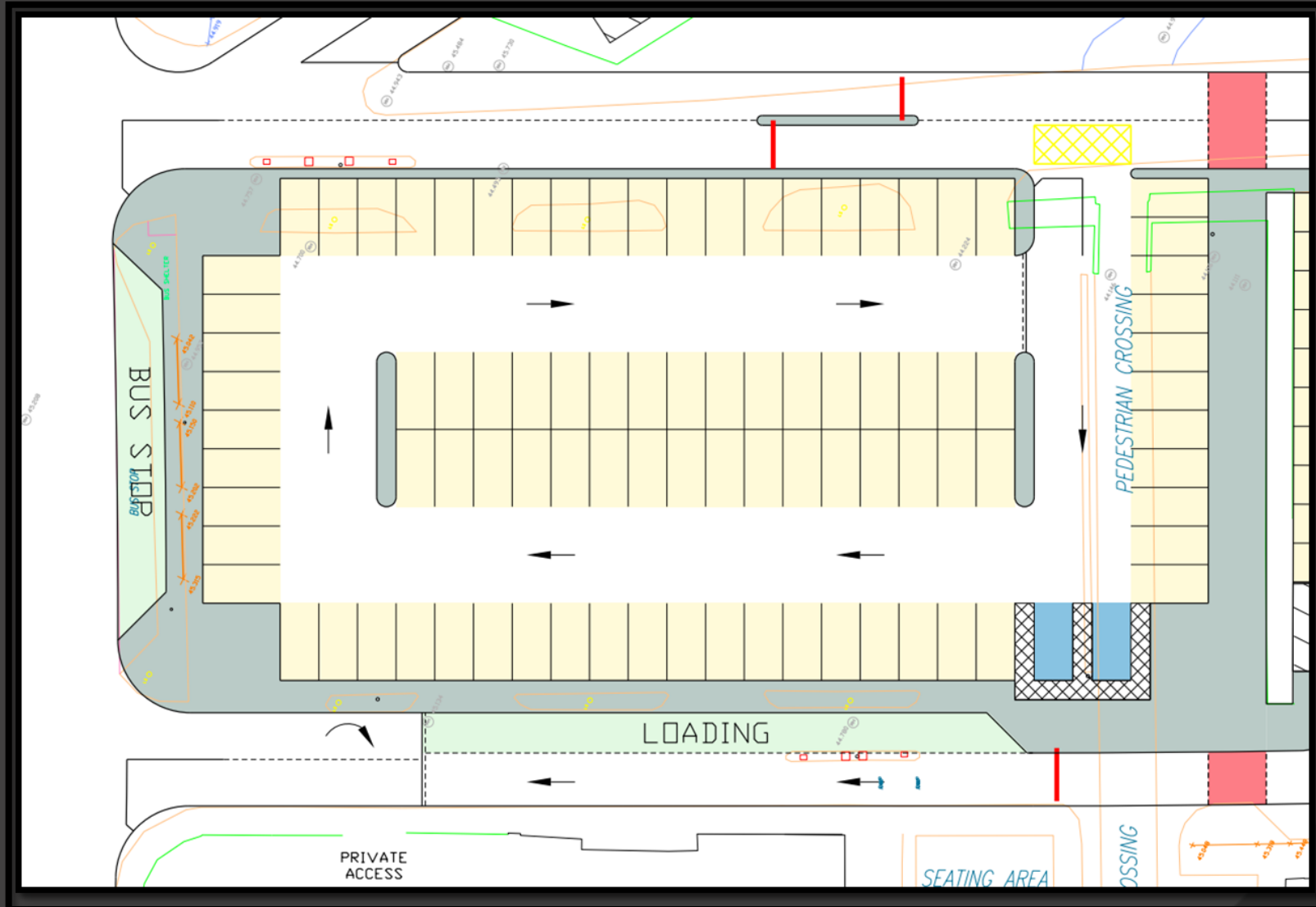


# Market Yard Car Park

- **Scheme will result in the permanent removal of 23no. parking spaces**
- **Section of car park will be re-configured to provide improved facilities**
  - **dedicated loading facility**
  - **circulatory carriageway**
  - **additional 3 parking spaces including 1 accessible parking bay**
  - **segregated pedestrian/cycling thoroughfare**
  - **improved bus stop facility**
- **To accommodate these improvements the access closest to Market Square will be made an exit only**



# Amendment to Market Yard Car Park





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