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"You said"	"We did"
Extend the 30mph speed zone on the A96 in advance of the new junction with the link road.	The 30mph speed limit will be extended to 150m west of the new A96 junction.

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"You said"	"We did"
Add new bus stops just south of the junction between the link road and the A96.	With no houses on either side of this part of the road, a bus stop is not needed. It could be added easily if the situation changes.

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"You said"	"We did"
Include new housing plots at	Gateway/public amenity
the A96 junction face onto	area favoured over
the street	housing development.

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"You said"	"We did"
Revisit the property boundary options at Wittet Drive	New boundary walls will be located closer to edge of road.

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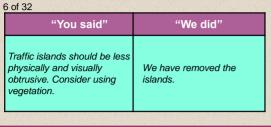
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"You said"	"We did"
Reconsider use of traffic islands as they present a potential hazard for cyclists	We have removed the islands.

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	"You said"	"We did"
3)	ce the width of the link to from 6.6m to 6.0m.	We have reduced the road to 6.0m.

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"You said"	"We did"
Remove road markings where possible.	We have removed the centre line and minimised other markings.

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"You said" "We did"

Include sections of shared surface (mixing vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians on the same level surface) to break up the route.

"We did"

"The type and volume of traffic on Wittet Drive make a shared surface a safety concern.

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"You said"	"We did"
Allocate parking on alternating sides of the road to break up the straight alignment.	Narrowing the road further to reduce speeds will have the same effect. A new cycleway and footway are provided in favour of parking.

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"You said"	"We did"
Impose a 20mph speed along the link road.	30 mph limit is appropriate, however the changes are intended to reduce speeds by careful street design.

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"You said"	"We did"
Reduce visibility to traffic	With Wittet Drive being
lights at junction with	straight, visibility cannot
Pluscarden Road in order to	be reduced. Careful street
reduce traffic speed.	design will reduce speeds.

"You said"	"We did"
Consider alternative traffic control for Pluscarden Junction such as zebra crossings in place of signals.	Cyclists should not use Zebras unless they walk. At this location traffic signals are safer for all types of users.

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15 of 32 "You said" "We did" Widen the footway on the eastern side of the road just We have widened the south of Pluscarden eastern footway by 0.6m. Junction

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"You said"	"We did"
Reduce the route signage clutter along the road (particularly at junction with Petrie Crescent.	We have minimised road signs.

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"You said"	"We did"
Avoid signage encouraging traffic from major routes to use the link road.	Signage will direct traffic to New Elgin and the South via the A941, but not through traffic from the A96.

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"You said"	"We did"
Give cyclists and pedestrians priority through junctions (particularly that with Mayne road).	Cycling priority at Pluscarden Road is by the signals. Elsewhere, priorities are not changed but the cycleway will continue across junctions on a raised platform – so vehicles will have to slow down.

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"You said"	"We did"
Provide a vehicular junction with truncated Wards road and the new link road.	We have not been able to keep Wards Road linked because of the difference in levels. There is a footpath link retained

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20 of 32 "You said" "We did" Natural materials are used where possible, but rail Provide colour options for parapets have to be the rail bridge parapet. concrete, which can be coloured.

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21 of 32 "You said" "We did" We can't remove the barrier at the rail crossing Re-visit barrier requirements on safety grounds, but we for the road south of the rail will use a barrier that bridge. blends in rather than the metal ones.

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"You said"	"We did"	
Consider including a footway on the eastern side of link road south of the rail bridge.	A new footpath is provided.	

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"You said"	"We did"
Plant tree lines along the southern section of the link road.	Trees will be planted along either side of the road.

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"You said"	"We did"
consider meandering the outhern section instead of eing relatively straight.	Yes, road realigned.

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"You said"	"We did"
Consider having frontage development along eastern side to the south of the junction with Fairfield Avenue.	The new alignment of the road does not leave enough space for development.

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"You said"

"We did"

"You said"	"We did"	
Include more pedestrian and cyclist junctions and crossings along the southern section.	Additional junctions and crossings provided.	

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"You said"	"We did"	
Provide access into wetlands.	Yes, 2 new accesses provided.	

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"You said"	"We did"
Provide bus stops on the main carriageway surface as opposed to installing bus lay-bys.	Bus stops provided on- road.

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"You said"	"We did"
Provide shelters for bus stops due to their rural location.	Yes, shelters provided.

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"You said"	"We did"
Explore noise mitigation options for road adjacent to primary school.	Currently under review.

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"You said"	"We did"
Provide on-street parking along Edgar road for residents use.	No parking restriction proposed.

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"You said"	"We did"
Remove the traffic island east of junction with Glen Lossie Drive.	Removed.

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"You said"	"We didn't"
32 requests	4 found unsuitable 1 for legal reasons 2 conflicted with others 1 can be added if needed 2 had no real benefit

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Summing up and thoughts?