

ORL crescent and correct – Yvonne Wood, The Cross-party Working Group

The solution to the ORL site is a beautiful curve.



The envisaged ORL development slices off 50 Waitrose parking spaces. It then demolishes the URC hall to replace those 50 car spaces.

The reason behind this is to make a straight footpath from Northgate End to Jackson Square. It also makes the development area bigger.

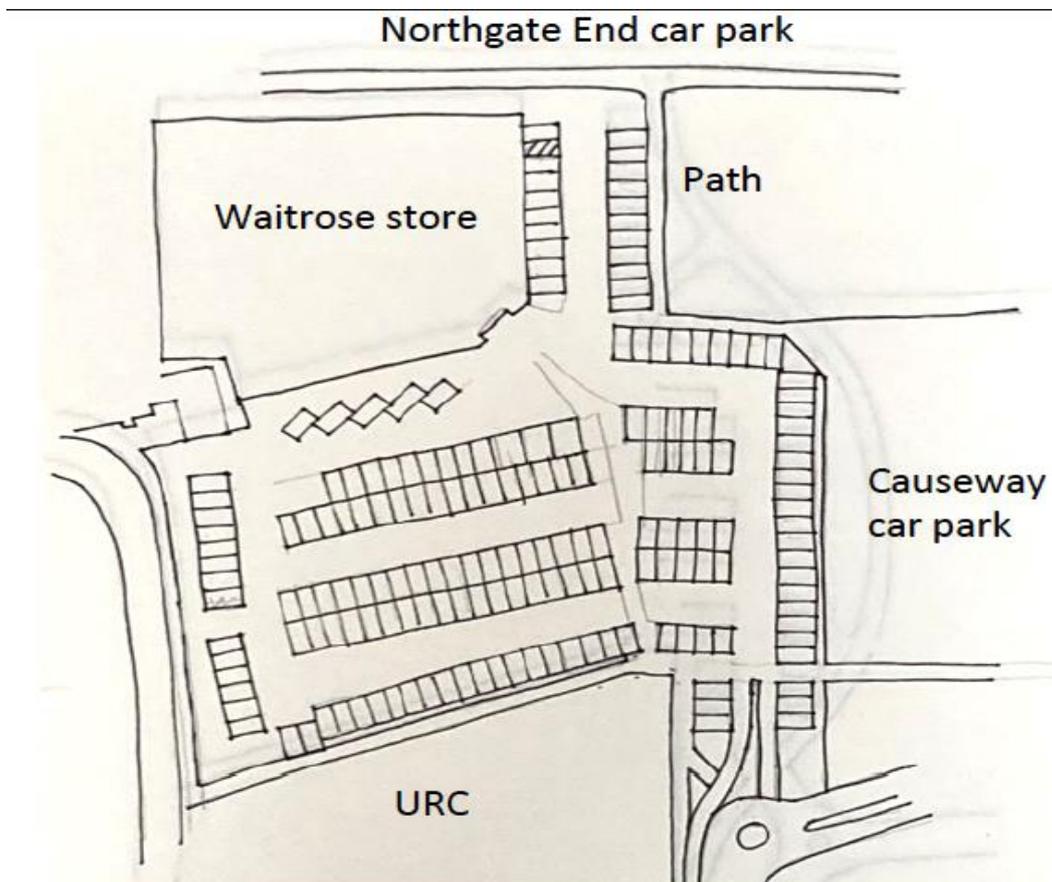
If you gently curve the path around Waitrose car park, there is no need to demolish the hall to replace parking spaces. The north part of this curved path goes across the green space, between trees.

A crescent path, with new shops and housing following the curve, would be a very pleasant way of walking and cycling through the new development.

The URC Hall could stay and have a small square in front.

What do you think?

Send an email to planningpolicy@eastherts.gov.uk to say the SPD should show a crescent path and avoid a land swap with Waitrose. Don't let Waitrose waste a lovely hall.



This is how Waitrose car park is currently laid out.