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No Turning Back by Phi

Down clues and answers are normal. In each row, the leftmost clue answer loses a letter to form the entry. That letter is added to the answer to the rightmost clue to form its entry; it may be added at any point, including either end (so TURNING and BACK might be entered as TURNIG and NBACK). Definitions and lengths in these clues refer to the original answers, wordplay to the entries.

Reading down the rows the letters that move spell out a possible description of the unclued 5 down. Solvers were asked to submit a normal clue to this ten-letter description.

ACROSS

- 1 Came across section in teleprinter (7)
- 5 Authoritative book I ignored amongst equipment to make pet food (6)
- 10 Official leader of town's overhaul (5)
- 12 Sound from animal that is coming in close (5)
- 13 A large rook entering Scottish shelter, covering everything (8)
- 14 An alderman backed one addition to island property (5)
- 15 Worry attached to the writer's household (6)
- 16 Lyricist's still penning tense number (3)
- 17 Cheering changes in London borough (9)
- 19 Curtail border passing through Welsh valley? Not entirely (4)
- 20 Broken completely - time to replace second length (6)
- 21 Protection from animals: South Africa repelled a heavy mammal with extra energy (7)
- 23 Tenor engaged in song for the people (5)
- 26 Kiss landing English in prison (4)
- 28 Rude senior officer heading for upset in University Hospital (7)
- 29 Open a French bargain (6)
- 30 Small opening has deer going round about rear of country house (7)
- 31 Potter not initially accepting a Trappist cheese (3)
- 32 One Government blocking European ally in rare row (8)
- 33 No longer felt apprehensive about reversing cart round road (5)

DOWN

- 1 Fish - careful - 1kg to be distributed (10)
- 2 Bank rate likely to show extreme positions only (4)
- 3 Ash, say, in animal enclosure is reminiscent of roadways (7)
- 4 French town where French will occupy most of platform (5)
- 5 *Unclued* (10, 2 words)
- 6 Motor race, very twisty, not won (4)
- 7 Battle weapon having sharp point? (4)
- 8 Bird's direction keeping it soaring (6)
- 9 Death will lead to news spreading, with greater chance of things being overheard (10)
- 11 Attractive guy adopting new name (5)
- 16 English college member becoming American college member (7)
- 18 Chad and Italy standing behind the Spanish ambassador (6)
- 19 Some of these actors will return and say no more in play (5)
- 22 What seems to be dry on the outside? (5)
- 24 Ungainly guy failing to finish a Pacific dance (4)
- 25 American's wildly mistaken about heroin as a stimulant (4)
- 27 Much of lunar area contains a sample of volcanic activity (4)