

## **HARDENHUISH LANE, CHIPPENHAM**

### **PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN & CYCLING IMPROVEMENTS – PHASE 2**

October 2010

#### **Background**

Wiltshire Council is currently in the process of implementing its Local Transport Plan for 2006 - 2011 (LTP). The Local Transport Plan sets out a number of transport objectives and priorities based on the 'Wiltshire Strategic Boards' (WSB). A key objective of the plan is to seek and develop integrated transport measures throughout the County which are designed to encourage alternative modes of transport to the motor vehicle such as walking and cycling. Working in partnership with 'Sustrans' as part of their 'Cycle Links To School' programme Wiltshire Council identified Hardenhuish Lane as a key route for improvement.

In February 2010 Phase 1 of the Hardenhuish Lane pedestrian improvements was completed. Phase 2 focuses on the provision of a continuous shared-use footway / cycle-way on the eastern side of Hardenhuish Lane which will link with the established cycle facilities along the route. Off road provision such as shared-use paths can provide a safer and more comfortable environment, especially for less experienced cyclists such as children, by separating them from the busier trafficked roads. Facilities such as these have been widely used elsewhere in Wiltshire and have proven very successful.

#### **What improvements are being undertaken?**

A new shared use footway / cycle-way on Hardenhuish Lane will commence just south of Ridings Mead and continue along the eastern side where it will link to the existing cycle facility adjacent to Sheldon School and the path known locally as 'The Pony Fields' before finishing at the A420 Bristol Road. As part of the improvement the new facility will be widened along its narrowest sections and the existing footway will be resurfaced to improve its overall condition.

A new Zebra crossing which is being jointly funded by Chippenham Town Council and 'Archstone Lifestyle Homes Ltd' is proposed on Hardenhuish Lane immediately south of its junction with Barnes Road. An outline plan of the overall proposal is shown overleaf. More detailed plans are available to view via the web page. See below for further details.

#### **When will the work be undertaken?**

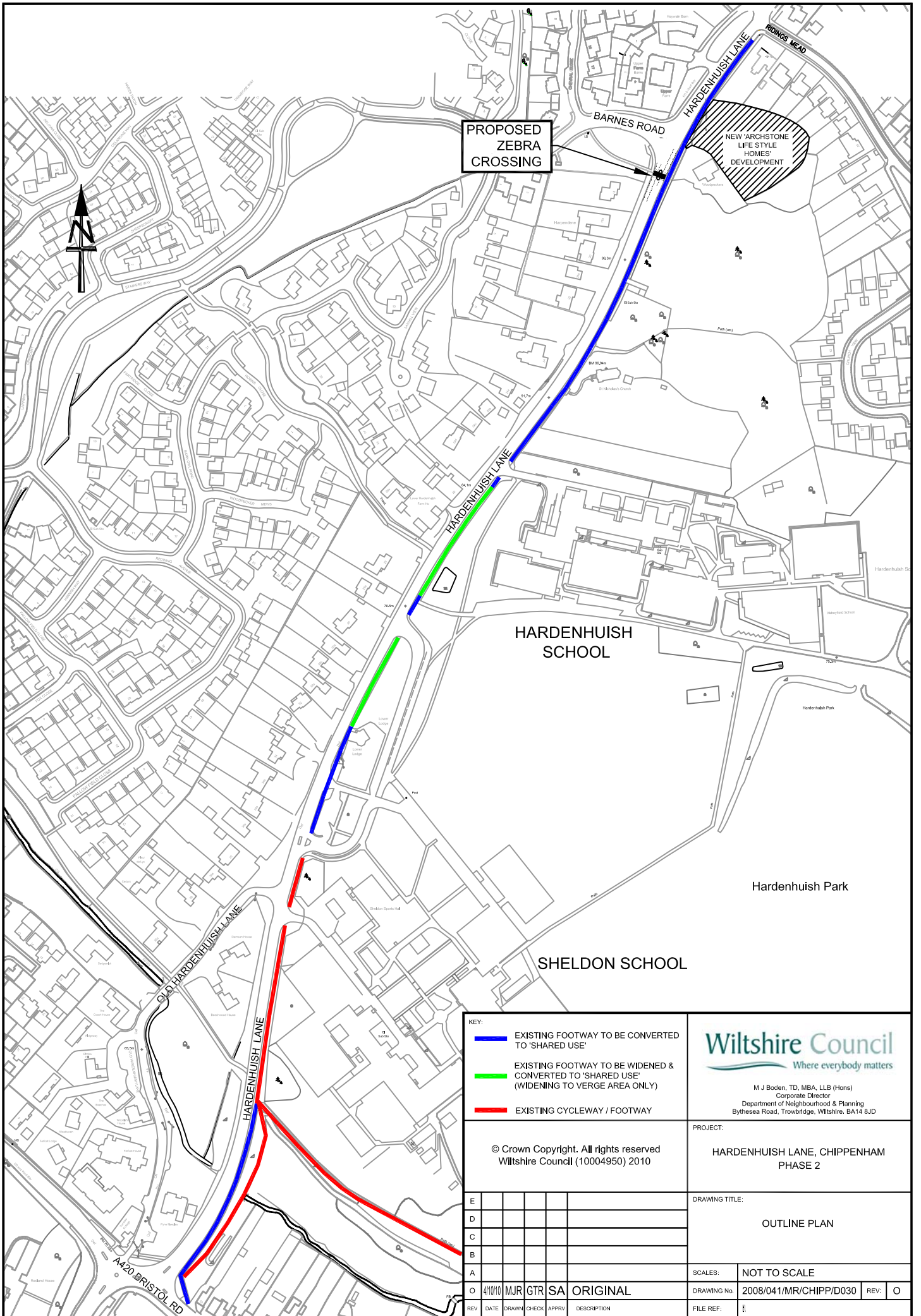
The Phase 2 works including construction of the new Zebra crossing is programmed to commence on the 25<sup>th</sup> October 2010 for a period of 4/5 weeks.

#### **Are there any further improvements planned?**

Wiltshire Council is aware of ongoing concerns expressed by local residents regarding parking issues in Old Hardenhuish Lane, particularly at the junction with Hardenhuish Lane and close to the exit of Sheldon School. Following agreement with the Old Hardenhuish Lane Resident's Association, formal advertisement of the proposed changes to the waiting restrictions will take place during the next few weeks. Look out for the site notices and advertisements in the local press for further details.

#### **Where can I find out more information?**

Due to limited space on this newsletter a dedicated page for the Hardenhuish Lane scheme has been created on the 'Wiltshire Council' web site which can be accessed via the following link [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/pedestriancyclinghardenhuishlane](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/pedestriancyclinghardenhuishlane). The page provides an outline of the proposals and large scale detailed plans of the Phase 2 works are available to view. There is also the opportunity on the page to post comments or queries on the scheme via an email link.



PROPOSED ZEBRA CROSSING

NEW 'ARCHSTONE LIFE STYLE HOMES' DEVELOPMENT

HARDENHUISH SCHOOL

Hardenhuish Park

SHELDON SCHOOL

- KEY:
- EXISTING FOOTWAY TO BE CONVERTED TO 'SHARED USE'
  - EXISTING FOOTWAY TO BE WIDENED & CONVERTED TO 'SHARED USE' (WIDENING TO VERGE AREA ONLY)
  - EXISTING CYCLEWAY / FOOTWAY

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