



BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL (TOWN CENTRE PEDESTRIANISED AREA) (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) (EXPERIMENTAL) ORDER 2015

The Common Seal of the
Bedford Borough Council
Was hereunto affixed this
day of 12th day of February 2015
in the presence of



Executive Director for Environment and Sustainable Communities

Assistant Chief Executive (Governance) and Solicitor to the Council

AUTHORITY FOR EXECUTION		
COUNCIL/COMMITTEE	MINUTE No.	DATE
DELEGATED POWER	By whom executed EDESC	DATE
	OFFICERS INITIALS	DATE
ORIGINATED AND CHECKED BY	JS	09/02/15
APPROVED BY		12/2/15

**BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL
(TOWN CENTRE PEDESTRIANISED AREA)
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
(EXPERIMENTAL) ORDER 2015**

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL in exercise of the powers under section 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 4(2) and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") and all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act, hereby makes the following Order:-

Citation and Commencement

1. This Order shall come into force on the 20th day of February 2014 and may be cited as the Bedford Borough Council (Town Centre Pedestrianised Area) (Prohibition of Traffic) (Experimental) Order 2015

Interpretation

2. In this Order, except where the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them:-

"the 1978 Act" means the Interpretation Act 1978

"the 1980 Act" means the Highways Act 1980

"the 1984 Act" means the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

"the 2000 Act" means the Transport Act 2000

"the 2002 Regulations" means the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002 *as amended*

"Enactment" includes any subordinate legislation within the meaning of the Interpretation Act 1978

"Hackney carriage" has the same meaning as in the Town Police Clauses Act 1847 and the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976

"Motor Cycles" which has the meaning in section 185(1) of the Road Traffic Act 1988 "a mechanically propelled vehicle", not being an invalid carriage, with less than four wheels and the weight of which does not exceed 410 kilograms"

"Motor vehicle" means a vehicle as defined in sections 136(1) and 140 of the 1984 Act

“PCN” means Penalty Charge Notice

“Pedal Cycle” means a unicycle, bicycle, tricycle, or cycle having four or more wheels, not being in any case mechanically propelled unless it is an electrically assisted pedal cycle of such class as it to be treated as not being a motor vehicle for the purposes of the 1984 Act

“Plans” means the annexed drawing forming part of the Traffic Regulation Order used to define the extents of restriction which are in force

“Road marking” means a traffic sign consisting of a line or mark or legend on the road

“Sign” means a traffic sign

“Solo motor cycle” means a motor cycle without a side car and having two wheels

“Specified hours” means the hours to which the restriction shall apply daily

“Specified road” and/or “street(s)” means any road or length of road specified in the Schedules to this Order

“Street works” means the carrying out of any streets works authorised in accordance with the provisions of the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 or emergency works as defined by section 52 of that 1991 Act

3. Any reference in this Order to a numbered Article or Schedule shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be construed as a reference to the article or Schedule bearing that number in this Order
- 4 Any reference in this Order to any enactment shall be construed as a reference to that enactment as amended, applied, consolidated, re-enacted by or as having effect by virtue of any subsequent enactment.

Designation of Pedestrianised Area

5. The Pedestrianised Area shall comprise the lengths of streets specified in Schedule 1 to this Order and shown on the annexed Order plan Drawing Number C9001.C171

Restrictions within Pedestrianised Area

6. No person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable or Civil Enforcement Officer in uniform, cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter, proceed or wait along those lengths of street specified in Schedule 1 to this Order at any time.
7. No person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable or Civil Enforcement Officer in uniform, cause or permit any pedal cycle, including an electrically assisted cycle, to be ridden along those lengths of street specified in Schedule 2 to this Order between the specified hours of 9am to 6pm daily and as shown on the annexed Order plan Drawing Number C9001.C172.
8. No person shall, except upon the direction or with the permission of a police constable or Civil Enforcement Officer in uniform, cause or permit any pedal cycle, including an electrically assisted cycle, to be ridden along those lengths of street specified in Schedule 3 to this Order at anytime and as shown on the annexed Order plan Drawing Number C9001.C172.

General exemption from restrictions

9. Nothing in Article 7 and 8 of this Order shall render it unlawful for any person to cause or permit a pedal cycle being pushed by hand to enter or proceed in any direction, or to wait, within the lengths of street specified in Schedules 1 and 2 to this Order.
10. Nothing in Article 6 of this Order shall render it unlawful for any person to cause or permit a wheelchair (including mechanically propelled wheelchair) to enter or proceed in any direction, or to wait, within the lengths of street specified in Schedule 1 to this Order.
11. Nothing in Article 6 of this Order shall render it unlawful for any person to cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed within, or to wait, within the streets specified in Schedule 1 to this Order so far as such entering or proceeding is reasonably necessary to enable the vehicle to be used for any of the purposes specified in paragraphs (a) to (g) of this Article, provided that the vehicle should remain in the roads only for so long as may be reasonably necessary for such purpose and the vehicle is removed from the pedestrianised areas as soon as practicable following the completion of such purpose.
 - (a) the vehicle is being used for fire brigade, ambulance, police or special forces purposes or, not being a passenger vehicle, is being used in the service of a local authority or statutory undertaker in pursuance of statutory powers or duties;
 - (b) the removal of any obstruction to traffic;

- (c) the vehicle is being used for a purpose authorised and described on a permit issued by the Council provided such permit is clearly displayed for a Civil Enforcement Officer to observe from outside of the vehicle;
- (d) the delivery or collection of postal packets to or from premises or postal collection boxes within the pedestrianised area;
- (e) the maintenance of the premises fronting a street within the pedestrianised area;
- (f) the delivery or collection by bullion vehicles of cash or securities to or from the premises within the pedestrianised area;

provided that any motor vehicle permitted to access the pedestrianised area pursuant to (b) to (f) inclusive above shall only proceed in an easterly direction in Silver Street and Midland Road and only in a southerly direction in Harpur Street (the length of road south of its junction with Silver Street and Midland Road).

12. Nothing in Article 6 of this Order shall render it unlawful for any person to cause or permit any motor vehicle to enter or proceed, or to wait, within the pedestrianised areas so far as such entering or proceeding, or to wait, is reasonably necessary to enable the vehicle to be used for any of the purposes specified in paragraphs (a) to (d) to this Article, provided that the vehicle should remain in the streets only for so long as may be reasonably necessary for such purpose and the vehicle is removed from the pedestrianised area as soon as practicable following completion of such purpose.

(a) Allhallows (Entire Street)

- (i) For the loading and unloading of goods by vehicles or the movement of furniture to or from premises in the pedestrianised area provided that such loading and unloading does not occur between the hours of 10.30am and 3.30pm daily.

(b) Allhallows (Between its junction with St Loyes Street and approximately 15 metres south of its junction with Greenhill Street)

- (i) For a disabled person's vehicle which displays a valid disabled persons badge to proceed in this part of Allhallows for the sole purpose of obtaining access to or egress from the designated disabled persons parking place at any time.

(c) Harpur Street (Between its junction with Silver Street and Midland Road to its junction with Lime Street and St. Loyes Street), Paradine Court and Hawes Court

- (i) For the loading and unloading of goods by vehicles or the movement of furniture to or from premises in the pedestrianised area provided that

such loading and unloading does not occur between the hours of 10.30am and 3.30pm daily.

(d) Lime Street (between its junction with Harpur Street and 25 metres west of its junction with High Street)

- (i) For the loading and unloading of goods by vehicles or the movement of furniture to or from premises in the pedestrianised area
- (ii) For the purpose of gaining access to or egress from any property accessed from this part of Lime Street.

13. The restrictions imposed by this Order shall be in addition to and not in derogation from any restriction or requirement imposed by any regulations made or having effect as if made under the Act or by under any other enactment.

14. The Council is satisfied that for avoiding danger to persons using the road it is requisite that the restriction declared in Section 3(1) of the Act shall not apply in relation to this Order.

Revocation of Orders

15. From the date that this Order shall take effect, the following Orders shall hereby be revoked:

THE COUNTY OF BEDFORDSHIRE (BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL (TOWN CENTRE PEDESTRIANISED AREA) (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2003) (AMENDMENT NO.1) ORDER 2006

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL (TOWN CENTRE PEDESTRIANISED AREA) (PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) ORDER 2003

Explanatory Notes

16. James Street is covered by an Order made by Bedfordshire Magistrates Court on 26th November 1981 in pursuance of a complaint made by North Bedfordshire Borough Council under Section 116 of the Highways Act 1980. This amended its status from an all-purpose highway to a footway (pedestrian highway), thereby prohibiting vehicular traffic.

Church Square was adopted as a pedestrian highway on 20th December 1961. Its status as a pedestrian highway prohibits vehicular traffic.

Hawes Court is a private street owned by Bedford Borough Council. Its inclusion within this Order should not be interpreted as indicating any intention to dedicate Hawes Court as a public highway.

SCHEDULE 1

Lengths of streets comprising the town centre pedestrian zone

Street	Extents
Midland Road	From its junction with Greyfriars and River Street to its junction with Harpur Street and Silver Street.
Harpur Street	From its junction with Horne Lane and St. Paul's Square to its junction with St Loyes Street and Lime Street
Silver Street	Entire length from its junction with Midland Road and Harpur Street to its junction with High Street.
Greenhill Street	Entire length from its junction with Allhallows to its junction with Hassett Street and Greyfriars.
Thurlow Street	Entire length from its junction with Allhallows to its junction with Greyfriars.
Allhallows	Entire length from its junction with St Loyes Street and Lime Street to its junction with Midland Road.
James Street	Entire length from its junction with Midland Road to its junction with Church Square.
Church Square	Entire area bounded by Allhallows, James Street, Dane Street and Church Arcade.
Lime Street	Entire length from its junction with High Street to its junction with St Loyes Street and Harpur Street
Paradine Court	Entire length from its junction with Harpur Street westwards.
Hawes Court	Entire length from its junction with Harpur Street eastwards.

This schedule is accompanied with the annexed drawing number C9001.C171

SCHEDULE 2

Lengths of streets prohibiting cycling between the hours of 9am to 6pm daily


Street	Extents
Midland Road	From its junction with Greyfriars and River Street to its junction with Harpur Street and Silver Street.
Harpur Street	From its junction with Horne Lane and St. Paul's Square to its junction with St Loyes Street and Lime Street
Silver Street	Entire length from its junction with Midland Road and Harpur Street to its junction with High Street.
Allhallows	From its junction with Greenhill Street to its junction with Midland Road.
James Street	Entire length from its junction with Midland Road to its junction with Church Square.
Church Square	Entire area bounded by Allhallows, James Street, Dane Street and Church Arcade.
Paradine Court	Entire length from its junction with Harpur Street westwards.
Hawes Court	Entire length from its junction with Harpur Street eastwards.

SCHEDULE 3

Lengths of streets prohibiting cycling at anytime

Street	Extents
Greenhill Street	Entire length from its junction with Allhallows to its junction with Hassett Street and Greyfriars.
Thurlow Street	Entire length from its junction with Allhallows to its junction with Greyfriars.

Schedules 2 and 3 are accompanied with the annexed drawing number
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 Extents of pedestrianised area

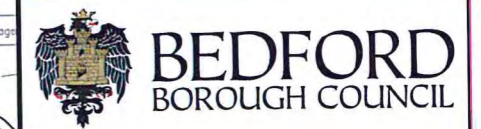
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Schedule 1 - Annexed plan

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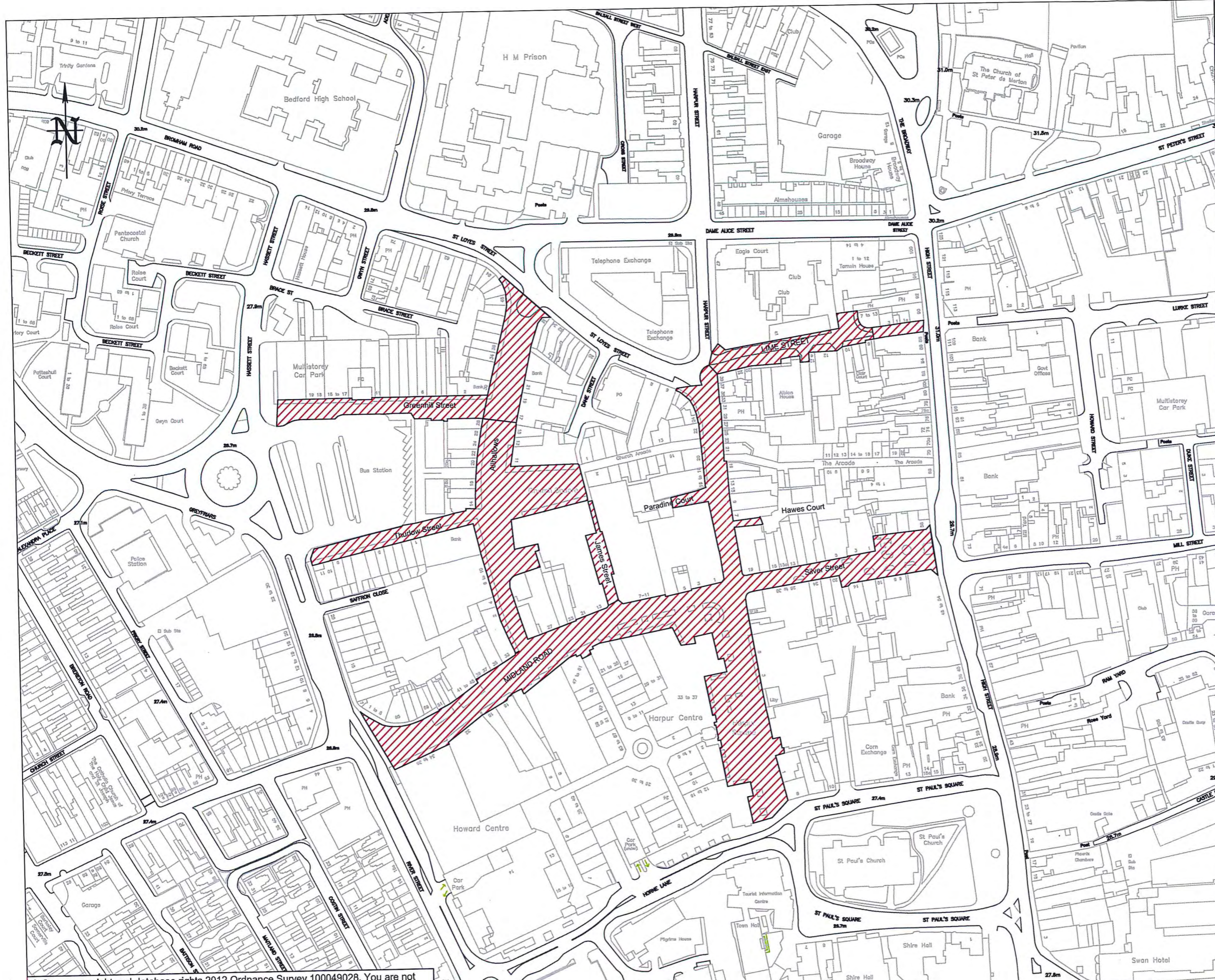
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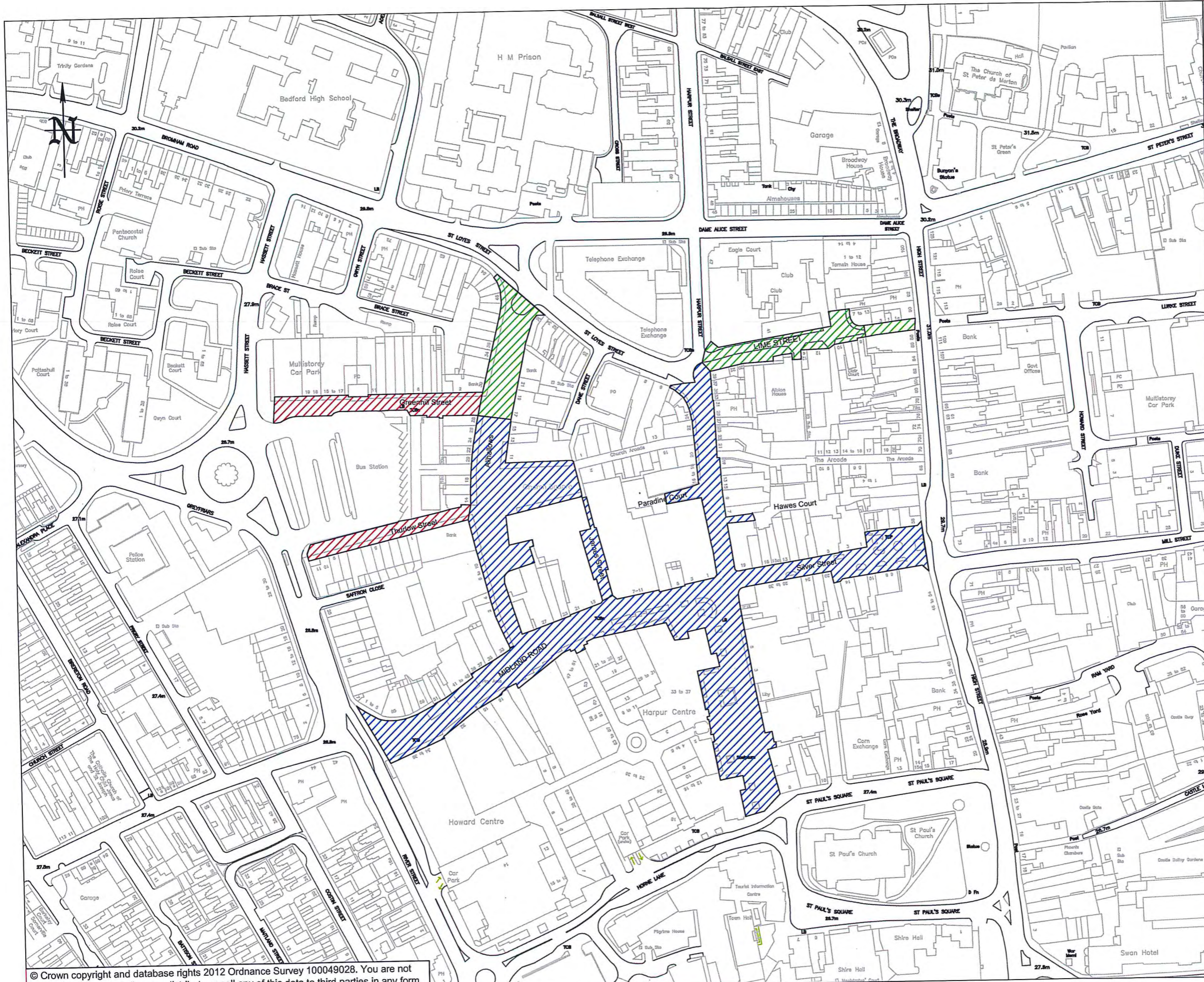
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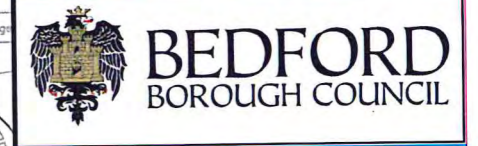
- Cycling permitted at anytime
- Cycling permitted 6pm - 9am daily (no cycling permitted at all other times)
- No Cycling permitted at anytime

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Schedule 2 - Annexed plan



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SCHEME
Bedford Restricted cycling zone

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No cycling 9am-6m daily Bedford Pedestrian Zone

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