

**CPRE Warwickshire Matter 7A Submission – H44 North of Milverton**

At the session on H44 North of Milverton, there was discussion of 'dualling of the A452' and it was suggested by Warwick DC that this proposal (status unclear) is also justified by the Kenilworth area allocations for development like H06.

CPRE Warwickshire stated that the Kenilworth Road out of Leamington (which is part of the Leamington Conservation Area to the end of the built-up area) is a road built during Leamington's Regency and Victorian growth. Prior to its construction in 1840, the highway between Kenilworth and Leamington was along what are now called Sandy Lane and Lillington Road. The present main road, now A452, is a feature of the development of Royal Leamington Spa as a historic town and deserves protection.

The Clerk of Old Milverton & Blackdown PC, Graham Cooper, who gave me this information, has kindly provided from his local history collection evidence to demonstrate this. Attached are extracts from two historical 1":1 mile Ordnance Survey maps showing the Leamington area. The First Edition at of 1828-34 shows the older route, which is more circuitous, and that there was no Kenilworth Road at that time. The 1899 OS map shows the Kenilworth Road as a straight new road entering the town from the north. Northumberland Road (then not developed) can also be seen in the 1899 map.

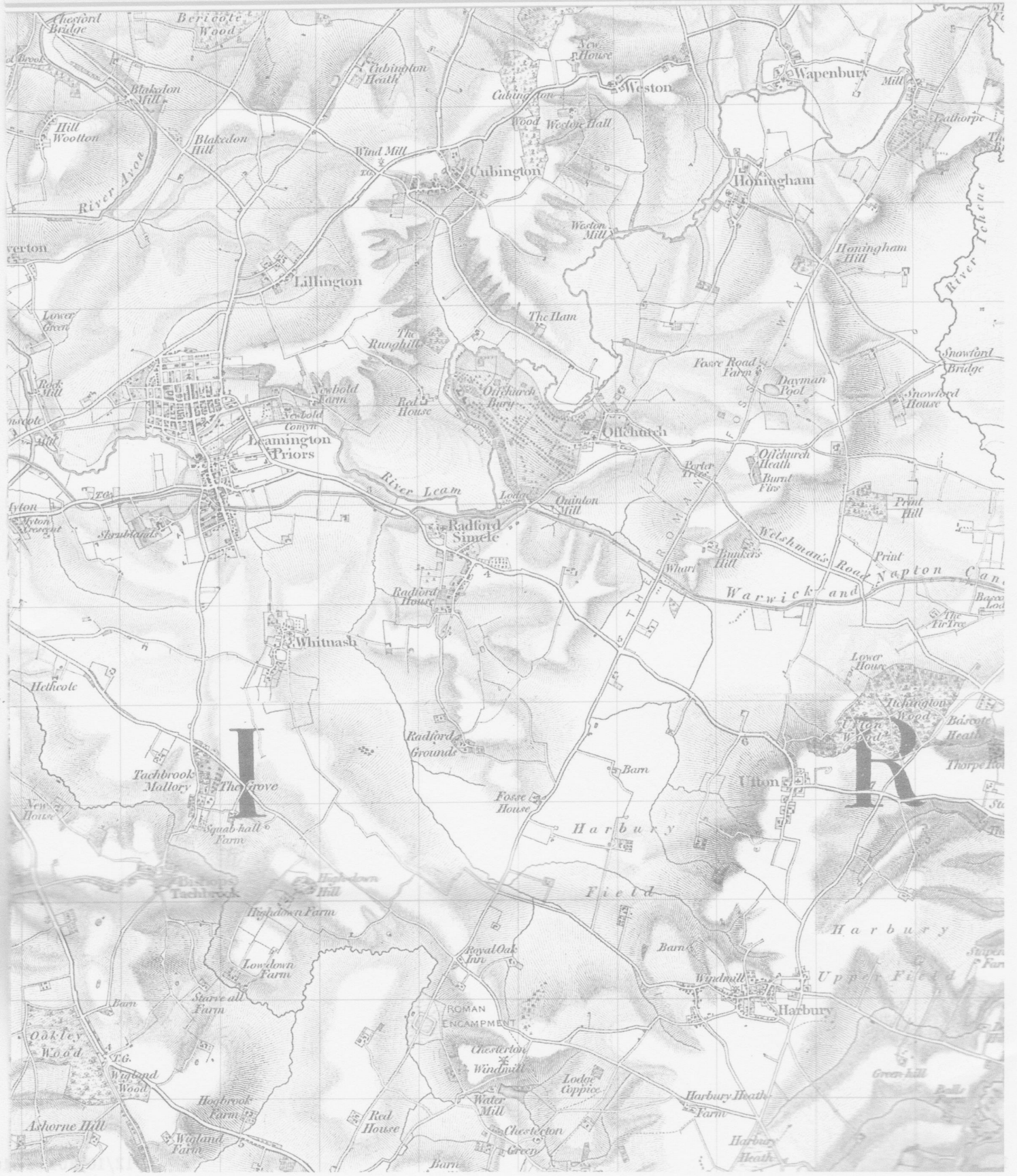
The road can be seen from site examination to have been graded for carriages - between Sandy Lane and Blackdown roundabout it is in a cutting and north of Blackdown roundabout it crosses a dip in the land on an embankment.

Where it enters the town it widens to become an avenue typical of Leamington's wide avenues of the C19th.

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