# zbit:PiDapter for the BBC micro:bit

### 'Early Adopters' Assembly Instructions

zbit:PiDapter and other zbit:connect boards are currently on sale only at shows and exhibitions.

*Thank you* to everyone who has bought one or more of these *zbit:connect* boards!

To support you, in advance of a full set of assembly instructions with full graphics, etc being available, please use these 'Early Adopters Assembly Instructions'.

When the Fully Released Assembly Instructions are added to the web site we will send a Tweet.

So, follow @ZbitConnect to be informed about the latest updates.

## **Tools required**

Pozidrive Screwdriver Pliers Small File Soldering Iron Solder

## **Assembly Instructions**

Break off all of the smaller boards (**spacer**, **clip board**, **xspacer** and **zbit:pi:fix** boards) from the main **zbit:PiDapter PCB**. Snap off both ends of the connecting 'break-off' tabs. This will require a pair of pliers.

Files off any rough edges from where the break-off tabs were attached

Solder the 40 way connector to the *underside* of the main **zbit:PiDapter** PCB.

Ensure the connector is fitted to the <u>underside</u> of zbit:PiDapter.

## The underside of zbit:PiDapter is the side without the logos and text

If the connector is **soldered flush** with the PCB, when the **micro:bit** is fitted to the **Raspberry Pi** the micro:bit's battery connector will rest on the Raspberry Pi's audio jack. This will mean that the micro:bit will be **not quite horizontal**, but will still work. If you would like the micro:bit to sit **horizontally**, solder the **zbit:PiDapter** connector so the pins are flush with the **top** of the PCB which will mean the connector is lifted about 1.5mm off the PCB.

It is recommended you first solder two opposite corner pins. Then check that the connector is vertical and is on the <u>underside</u> of the PCB before soldering the remaining pins.

Attached the **zbit:connector**, **spacer** and **clip boards** with the **M3 pan head screws** as shown in the "**zbit:connector Assembly Diagram**" which can be downloaded from the www.zbit-connect.co.uk

Insert your micro:bit into the slot at the top of zbit:PiDapter between the main zbit:PiDapter PCB and the clip board PCB. Use the M3 countersunk head screws inserted from the back of the micro:bit as shown in the "zbit:connector Assembly Diagram" to secure your micro:bit to zbit:PiDapter.

Tighten, but don't over tighten all screws.

Plug **zbit:PiDapter** into the 40 way header of your **Raspberry Pi** with the **micro:bit** covering the top of the **Raspberry Pi** as shown in the "**zbit:PiDapter Data Sheet**" photo - being careful to **ensure pins are correctly aligned.** 

**Optionally** use the **zbit:pi:fix** and **xspacer** boards to bolt **zbit:PiDapter** onto the fixing holes on your **Raspberry Pi.** This will require additional M3 and M2.5 nuts, bolts and spacers (not supplied)

#### zbit:PiDapter is now ready to use!

Download the "zbit:PiDapter Raspberry Pi to micro:bit GPIO mapping" spreadsheet from www.zbit-connect.co.uk

zbit:PiDapter is compatible with Raspberry Pi Models that have a 40 pin GPIO Header, including Rasperry Pi-Zero. It can also be used with earlier Raspberry Pi Models with a 26 pin GPIO Header by using a 26 way adapter (not supplied). zbit:pi:fix boards are *not* however compatible with the fixing holes on these earlier Raspberry Pi boards.

Visit www.zbit-connect.co.uk for examples of what you can do with zbit:PiDapter!