

# Equality Impact Assessment

Name of project/proposal Botley Bypass - Way Forward and Land Acquisition  
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## **Description of Service / Policy**

Delivery of a new bypass road to relieve traffic congestion issues in Botley.  
Geographical impact\* Eastleigh

## **Description of proposed change**

The scheme will provide positive benefits for the residents of Botley, reducing traffic and improving Air Quality and congestion related impacts in an identified Air Quality Management Area and central area. Benefits will apply to all residents in the central area. The bypass will improve accessibility for all regardless of equality matters. Whilst principally a highway scheme, measures will be included for Non Motorist Users i.e. pedestrians, cyclists and equestrians.

## **Engagement and consultation**

Has engagement or consultation been carried out? Yes

The first public consultation was undertaken in November 2016 and a preferred route was chosen and formed the basis for the detailed design. The planning application was submitted in July 2017 and determined in November 2017 following a 3 month consultation period.

## **Impacts of the proposed change**

This impact assessment covers Service users

### **Statutory considerations**                      **Impact**

Age	Neutral
Disability	Neutral
Sexual Orientation	Neutral
Race	Neutral
Religion and Belief	Neutral
Gender Reassignment	Neutral
Gender	Neutral
Marriage and civil partnership	Neutral

Pregnancy and Maternity Neutral

**Other policy considerations**

Poverty Neutral

Rurality Neutral

Neutrality Statement The proposals will have neutral impact upon groups with protected characteristics, and any detailed proposals arising will be subject to separate equalities impact assessments, which will be included in the Policy and Resources report for Land Acquisition and a subsequent Project Appraisal report to the Executive Member for Environment and Transport which will precede scheme delivery.

***Additional Information***

The proposals will have no or low impact upon groups with protected characteristics. In the event that a CPO is required, the guidance published by the DCLG (Guidance on CPO process and The Crichel Down Rules for disposal of surplus land acquired by, or under the threat of compulsion) will be followed. The scheme will be accessible to all road users. Pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders will be catered for as part of the proposals to improve access, and mitigation has been identified to add value in terms of accessibility over and above the existing provision.