

Equality Impact Assessment

Name of project/proposal Bus Rapid Transit - Voluntary Quality Bus Partnership Agreement
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Description of Service / Policy

Proposal for the County Council to continue its partnership agreement with bus operators that will oversee the Eclipse Bus Rapid Transit services in Gosport and Fareham.

Geographical impact* Fareham Gosport

Description of proposed change

It is proposed to retain the majority of the existing partnership agreement, whilst seeking to reduce on-going revenue costs of maintaining the Bus Rapid Transit infrastructure.

Engagement and consultation

Has engagement or consultation been carried out? Yes

Engagement is on-going with the existing partner (First) and the South Hampshire Bus Operators Association to review the existing agreement with a view to signing a new partnership agreement during the Summer of 2017.

Impacts of the proposed change

This impact assessment covers Service users

Statutory considerations	Impact
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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 impact has been assessed as neutral, however, as a result of the BRT services that will be delivered under this proposed legal agreement, the BRT scheme will continue to provide enhanced public transport facilities for the whole community with improved accessibility provided to waiting facilities and bus services. Older people, young people and those on lower incomes are generally greater users of bus services than other age and income groups.

Additional Information