

Equality Impact Assessment



Hampshire
County Council

Holmsley Rail Bridge Replacement

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Environment

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assessment: 01/02/2019

Description of current service/policy

Major maintenance (replacement) of highway infrastructure affecting the travelling public.

Geographical impact: New
Forest

Description of proposed change

Replacement of the existing bridge which carries the A35 through the New Forest with a completely new bridge. The new bridge is to be built alongside the existing one to ensure the A35 remains open. Traffic will be switched over once the new bridge is complete and work will then be undertaken on removing the old one.

Impacts of the proposed change

This impact assessment covers Service users

Engagement and consultation

Has engagement or consultation been carried out? Yes

Extensive consultation has taken place with the National Park Authority, Verderers, Forestry Commission and Natural England to gain approval for the scheme and agree land transfer and mitigation measures. Councillors, residents and the nearby Tea Rooms have all been contacted to

make them aware of the scheme. Press releases across a range of media outlets have been completed as part of investigation and temporary strengthening works and these will continue as the scheme progresses.

Statutory considerations	Impact	Mitigation
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	Impact	Mitigation
Poverty: Neutral		
Rurality: Neutral		

Neutrality statement (if all considerations have a neutral impact)

It is considered that there will be no impact upon people with protected characteristics. The scheme has been designed to allow existing travel arrangements to be unaffected.

Any other information