

Equality Impact Assessment



Hampshire
County Council

Project Appraisal: Hut Hill Chandlers Ford to Chilworth Cycleway/Footway

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Environment

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Description of current service/policy

There is currently an existing footway running along the western side of Bournemouth Road and Winchester Road between the Southampton City Council boundary and the Asda roundabout junction in Chandlers Ford. The existing footway width is approximately 1.8m wide. The route is popular with cyclists but there are limitations due to the width of the footway. Cycling on-road isn't attractive due to traffic speed and volume.

Geographical impact: Eastleigh, Test
Valley

Description of proposed change

The scheme involves the implementation of an off-road shared use cycleway/footway along the western side of Hut Hill, between the Asda roundabout and the boundary with Southampton City Council. A minimum 2.5 metre width route should be delivered, increasing to 3 metres where conditions permit by widening of the existing footway, which will enable conversion to shared use. Where this is not possible, it will be necessary to reduce the width of the carriageway to achieve the required footway width.

Impacts of the proposed change

This impact assessment covers Service users

Engagement and consultation

Has engagement or consultation been carried out?

Yes

During the detailed feasibility study, Eastleigh Borough Council undertook consultation with key stakeholders including Highways England, HCC, Borough Councils, Southampton City Council, and Sustrans. Development of the route has been consulted on through its inclusion in the Eastleigh Cycle Strategy.

Frontages directly impacted by the proposed route have been contacted by letter to inform them of the proposed scheme. Site meetings will be held with any residents who have queries regarding the scheme. County Members, Councillor Irish and Councillor Grajewski, have been notified of the intention to commence with detailed design of this shared route.

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)

The scheme will have a neutral impact on groups of individuals with protected characteristics. The enhanced shared use cycleway/footway will have a positive impact on all pedestrians and cyclists, but no additional impact on those with protected characteristics.

Any other information