

Equality Impact Assessment



Hampshire
County Council

Project Appraisal: Stubbington Bypass Update

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Description of current service/policy

The existing B3334 route through Stubbington is heavily congested at peak times leading to extended and unreliable journey times, poor air quality, safety and community severance. Other routes in the area are also impacted as drivers seek alternative routes to access Fareham and Gosport, especially at busy times.

Geographical impact: Fareham, Gosport

Description of proposed change

Approval of the project appraisal report for the Stubbington Bypass will enable, subject to the identified caveats, a contract to be awarded for the construction phase of the project. Once completed the new route will reduce traffic flows in the village thereby improving the village environment and creating better opportunities for local movements by non-motorised means. The new route with its improved and more reliable journey times will attract traffic away from other less appropriate routes in the area, thus improving these environments.

Impacts of the proposed change

This impact assessment covers Service users

Engagement and consultation

Has engagement or consultation been carried out?

Yes

Public consultation was undertaken in 2014, and included details of various schemes in the strategy to Improve Access to Fareham and Gosport. The consultation included nine staffed public exhibitions in the south Fareham area and unstaffed exhibitions at local libraries. As part of this process other stakeholders including local user groups such as walking, cycling and equestrian groups, and local representatives of those with sight or mobility impairments were consulted. Further consultation was undertaken as part of the planning process which included an 8-week statutory period ahead of the County Council's Regulatory Committee of 21st October 2015.

| Statutory considerations | Impact | Mitigation |
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| Age: Neutral | | |
| Disability: Neutral | | |
| Sexual orientation: Neutral | | |
| Race: Neutral | | |
| Religion and belief: Neutral | | |
| Gender reassignment: Neutral | | |

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| 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 proposed scheme includes facilities that will improve accessibility and have a positive impact for all road users. There will be no additional impact on people with protected characteristics, therefore the scheme has been assessed as having a neutral impact overall.

Any other information