

# Equality Impact Assessment

## Project Appraisal: Access Improvements to Kings School Winchester



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### Description of current service/policy

There is an existing footway running along the southern side of Romsey Road utilising the puffin crossing facilities to access the footway in Kings Road. This footway is typically 1.8 metres wide but narrows to nearer 1.5 metres near the junction of Romsey Road and Battery Hill due to pedestrian guard rails and insufficient highway land to its rear. Several areas of this footway are overgrown with highway vegetation and trees.

Geographical impact: Winchester

### Description of proposed change

The proposal is to widen the existing footway on the south side of Romsey Road between Stanmore Lane and Battery Hill to provide a shared use footway of 2.5 metres. The existing puffin crossing connecting Battery Hill to Kings Road will also be upgraded to a toucan crossing to allow cyclists and pedestrians to cross the busy Romsey Road and access Kings School.

### Impacts of the proposed change

This impact assessment covers Service users

### Engagement and consultation

Has engagement or consultation been carried out? Yes

Kings School and local cycling and environmental groups Winchester District Strategic Partnership cycling group and Winchester Action on Climate Change have been consulted on the scheme and they are supportive of the proposals. The local Member, Councillor Tod, has been briefed on the scheme and he is supportive of the scheme.

<b>Statutory considerations</b>	<b>Impact</b>	<b>Mitigation</b>
<b>Age:</b> Neutral		
<b>Disability:</b> Neutral		
<b>Sexual orientation:</b> Neutral		
<b>Race:</b> Neutral		
<b>Religion and belief:</b> Neutral		
<b>Gender reassignment:</b> Neutral		
<b>Gender:</b> Neutral		
<b>Marriage and civil partnership:</b> Neutral		

<b>Pregnancy and maternity:</b> Neutral		
<b>Other policy considerations</b>	<b>Impact</b>	<b>Mitigation</b>
<b>Poverty:</b> Neutral		
<b>Rurality:</b> Neutral		

## **Neutrality statement (if all considerations have a neutral impact)**

The provision of a shared use footway and Toucan Crossing on Romsey Road will have a neutral impact on people with protected characteristics. The improvements will provide better access for all users, including those considered most vulnerable such as older people and young children.

## **Any other information**