

# Equality Impact Assessment

Name of project/proposal Project Appraisal Update – Bell Street, Romsey  
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## **Description of Service / Policy**

Bell Street, Romsey town centre highway and public realm accessibility improvements.  
Geographical impact\* Test Valley

## **Description of proposed change**

To provide a new level surface arrangement to improve pedestrian accessibility and reduce vehicle speeds in Bell Street, Romsey. The scheme is designed to improve accessibility for all users, with a particular focus upon those with mobility impairments and include improvements for wheelchair users and the elderly and those who find kerbs a trip hazard. The equalities impacts of the proposals are expected to be positive. Residents, businesses and visitors will benefit from an enhanced street scene and improved pedestrian accessibility to shops and services within this area of the town centre.

## **Engagement and consultation**

Has engagement or consultation been carried out? Yes

No issues regarding impacts on equalities have been identified. Local disability groups and visually impaired groups were consulted as part of the full Romsey Town enhancement package of works and were supportive of the changes.

## **Impacts of the proposed change**

This impact assessment covers Service users

### **Statutory considerations**

#### **Impact**

Age Impact	Positive Level surfacing will assist access for elderly pedestrians.
Disability Impact	Positive Level surfacing will assist access for disabled users.
Sexual Orientation	Neutral
Race	Neutral
Religion and Belief	Neutral
Gender Reassignment	Neutral
Gender	Neutral

Marriage and civil partnership	Neutral
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Pregnancy and Maternity	Neutral
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**Other policy considerations**

Poverty	Neutral
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Rurality	Neutral
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***Additional Information***