

Investment in Highway Bridges and Retaining Walls

Well-being Impact Assessment Report

This report summarises the likely impact of the proposal on the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of Denbighshire, Wales and the world.

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| Assessment Number: | 100 |
| Brief description: | The desire to fund a backlog in bridge maintenance |
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| Responsible Service: | Highways & Environmental Services |
| Localities affected by the proposal: | Whole County, |
| Who will be affected by the proposal? | All road users in the County |
| Was this impact assessment completed as a group? | No |

IMPACT ASSESSMENT SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

Before we look in detail at the contribution and impact of the proposal, it is important to consider how the proposal is applying the sustainable development principle. This means that we must act "in a manner which seeks to ensure that the needs of the present are met without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs."

Score for the sustainability of the approach

★ ★ ★ ☆ (3 out of 4 stars) Actual score : 24 / 30.

Implications of the score

Summary of impact

Well-being Goals

- A prosperous Denbighshire
- A resilient Denbighshire
- A healthier Denbighshire
- A more equal Denbighshire
- A Denbighshire of cohesive communities
- A Denbighshire of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language
- A globally responsible Denbighshire

- Positive
- Neutral
- Positive
- Positive
- Positive
- Neutral
- Positive



Main conclusions

Although this work is intended to fulfil our Statutory Duty to provide a safe network it can also be used to underpin the aims of the Wellbeing Act

Evidence to support the Well-being Impact Assessment

- We have consulted published research or guides that inform us about the likely impact of the proposal
- We have involved an expert / consulted a group who represent those who may be affected by the proposal
- We have engaged with people who will be affected by the proposal

THE LIKELY IMPACT ON DENBIGHSHIRE, WALES AND THE WORLD

A prosperous Denbighshire

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| Overall Impact | Positive |
| Justification for impact | For the reasons outlined above there is an overall benefit |
| Further actions required | Other initiatives can be used to assist with walking and cycling to combat the potential negative effect on a low carbon society |

Positive impacts identified:

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| A low carbon society | |
| Quality communications, infrastructure and transport | The whole project is designed to boost this |
| Economic development | A good quality road network has been proven to boost economic benefit |
| Quality skills for the long term | A good local economy can create quality long term skills |
| Quality jobs for the long term | A good local economy can create quality, long term jobs |
| Childcare | |

Negative impacts identified:

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| A low carbon society | A better road network could make driving more desirable |
| Quality communications, infrastructure and transport | |
| Economic development | |
| Quality skills for the long term | |
| Quality jobs for the long term | |
| Childcare | |

A resilient Denbighshire

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| Overall Impact | Neutral |
| Justification for impact | |
| Further actions required | |

Positive impacts identified:

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| Biodiversity and the natural environment | |
| Biodiversity in the built environment | |
| Reducing waste, reusing and recycling | |
| Reduced energy/fuel consumption | |
| People's awareness of the environment and biodiversity | |
| Flood risk management | As part of the normal maintenance we tend to clean out watercourses and upgrade adjacent drainage systems thus reducing risk |

Negative impacts identified:

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| Biodiversity and the natural environment | |
| Biodiversity in the built environment | |
| Reducing waste, reusing and recycling | |
| Reduced energy/fuel consumption | The proposal is likely to sustain energy levels and may even increase them |
| People's awareness of the environment and biodiversity | |
| Flood risk management | |

A healthier Denbighshire

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| Overall Impact | Positive |
| Justification for impact | A good quality network encourages people to get out more and provides for a safer environment |
| Further actions required | |

Positive impacts identified:

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| A social and physical environment that encourage and support health and well-being | Open bridges allow greater access for walkers, cyclists etc. |
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| Access to good quality, healthy food | |
| People's emotional and mental well-being | |
| Access to healthcare | Open bridges allow greater access to all our facilities |
| Participation in leisure opportunities | Open bridges allow greater access for walkers, cyclists etc. |

Negative impacts identified:

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|---|--|
| A social and physical environment that encourage and support health and well-being | |
| Access to good quality, healthy food | |
| People's emotional and mental well-being | |
| Access to healthcare | |
| Participation in leisure opportunities | |

A more equal Denbighshire

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| Overall Impact | Positive |
| Justification for impact | Where possible the maintenance work will incorporate improvements to enable greater access |
| Further actions required | |

Positive impacts identified:

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| Improving the well-being of people with protected characteristics. The nine protected characteristics are: age; disability; gender reassignment; marriage or civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex; and sexual orientation | Where possible the maintenance work will incorporate improvements to enable greater access |
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| People who suffer discrimination or disadvantage | |
| Areas with poor economic, health or educational outcomes | Where possible the maintenance work will incorporate improvements to enable greater access |
| People in poverty | |

Negative impacts identified:

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| Improving the well-being of people with protected characteristics. The nine protected characteristics are: age; disability; gender reassignment; marriage or civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex; and sexual orientation | |
| People who suffer discrimination or disadvantage | |
| Areas with poor economic, health or educational outcomes | |
| People in poverty | |

A Denbighshire of cohesive communities

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| Overall Impact | Positive |
| Justification for impact | Overall, even minor improvements can make a good positive difference |
| Further actions required | |

Positive impacts identified:

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| Safe communities and individuals | These works are designed to provide a safer environment for users |
| Community participation and resilience | |

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| The attractiveness of the area | Many of these bridges are Listed Structures and so to enhance them will add to the attractiveness of the environment |
| Connected communities | |

Negative impacts identified:

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|---|--|
| Safe communities and individuals | |
| Community participation and resilience | |
| The attractiveness of the area | |
| Connected communities | |

A Denbighshire of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language

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| Overall Impact | Neutral |
| Justification for impact | |
| Further actions required | |

Positive impacts identified:

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| People using Welsh | |
| Promoting the Welsh language | |
| Culture and heritage | |

Negative impacts identified:

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|-------------------------------------|--|
| People using Welsh | |
| Promoting the Welsh language | |
| Culture and heritage | |

A globally responsible Denbighshire

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| Overall Impact | Positive |
| Justification for impact | The road network contributes to many service provision aims |
| Further actions required | |

Positive impacts identified:

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| Local, national, international supply chains | The road network contributes to many service provision aims |
| Human rights | |
| Broader service provision in the local area or the region | |

Negative impacts identified:

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| Local, national, international supply chains | |
| Human rights | |
| Broader service provision in the local area or the region | |