## **Sandy Town Council**

To: Cllrs N Aldis, P Blaine, J Hewitt, A M Hill, W Jackson, R Lock, C Osborne, (Chair), M Pettitt, M Scott and P Sharman c.c. S Doyle, A Gibson, T Knagg, S Sutton and N Thompson

Policy, Finance and Resources Committee of Sandy Town Council Council Chamber at 10 Cambridge Road, Sandy, Bedfordshire Monday 25 November 2019 at 7.30pm

Chris Robson Town Clerk 10 Cambridge Road Sandy SG19 1JE 01767 681491 21st November 2019

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MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THIS MEETING

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING LATE AGENDA ITEM

AGENDA

**Reports** 

16 Consultation Request, Sandy Station, Bedfordshire
To receive and consider consultation information on repair works to
the footbridge at Sandy Rail Station.

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## SANDY TOWN COUNCIL

**COMMITTEE:** Policy, Finance and Resources

**DATE:** 25<sup>th</sup> November 2019

**OFFICER:** Town Clerk

**SUBJECT:** Consultation Request - Sandy Station, Bedfordshire

The following correspondence has been received for Members consideration and response.

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## Dear Sir / Madam

We are contacting you today seeking comments as part of a public consultation process for proposed engineering works at Sandy Railway Station in Sandy, Bedfordshire. The engineering works specifically relate to the footbridge between the station platforms.

JNP Group are preparing a Diversity Impact Assessment (DIA) on behalf of Amalgamated Construction (AMCO) and Network Rail. The purpose of the DIA is to assess the impact of the proposed engineering works on characteristics that are protected by the Equality Act (age, disability, gender, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sexual orientation and marriage/civil partnerships). Once the potential impacts have been identified, the DIA can be used to plan ways to mitigate them wherever possible.

The footbridge spans the railway line between Platforms 1 and 2 at Sandy. The footbridge has stepped access only. Each platform has a separate access point which is step free. Platform 1 can be accessed via a ramp from B1042 High Street/Potton Road and Platform 2 can be accessed from Station Road. Photos of the existing footbridge and a location plan are also attached to this email for your reference.

The footbridge between Platforms 1 and 2 at Sandy Station needs to be refurbished in order to ensure the longevity of the structure. The structure is heavily corroded at present and works are required to address this. The footbridge will also be resurfaced with a slip resistant surface and the existing stair treads will be replaced. In order to carry out the works, the footbridge will be fully closed for up to 16 weeks. Pedestrians will be diverted via the footway on B1042 High Street/Potton Road bridge, which is immediately north of the station. The total length of the diversion from Platform 1 to Platform 2 via the bridge is 320 metres. A map of the diversion is attached to this email.

With regards to the information above, we would appreciate it if you could provide comments on whether the proposals will have an impact on the stakeholders that your organisation represents. We are interested in both short and long-term impacts.

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Please provide your response via email before Tuesday 3rd December 2019. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Kind regards

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Transport Planner













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