

DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT
HIGHWAYS ACT 1980
AND
ACQUISITION OF LAND ACT 1981

NOTICE is hereby given that Public Local Inquiries in connection with the Scheme and Orders mentioned below will be held by an Inspector appointed for this purpose by the Secretary of State for Transport **beginning at 10.00am on Tuesday 13 May 2025 at Council Chamber, East Sussex County Council, County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes, East Sussex, BN7 1UE** to hear representations from remaining objectors (as defined in the Compulsory Purchase (Inquiries Procedure) Rules 2007) and statutory objectors (as defined in the Highways (Inquiries Procedure) Rules 1994), from any other persons having an interest in the land the subject of the Compulsory Purchase Order and, at the Inspector's discretion, to hear representations from any other persons who may desire to appear and be heard.

THE SCHEME and ORDERS have been made by East Sussex County Council under the above-mentioned Acts and submitted to the Secretary of State for Transport for confirmation and are:

(1) THE EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL (EXCEAT BRIDGE REPLACEMENT – A259 EASTBOURNE ROAD) BRIDGE SCHEME 2023. This is a Scheme under Section 106(3) of the Highways Act 1980.

(2) THE EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL (EXCEAT BRIDGE REPLACEMENT – A259 EASTBOURNE ROAD) (CLASSIFIED ROAD) (SIDE ROADS) ORDER 2023. This is an Order under Sections 14 and 125 of the Highways Act 1980.

(3) THE EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL (EXCEAT BRIDGE REPLACEMENT – A259 EASTBOURNE ROAD) COMPULSORY PURCHASE ORDER 2023. This is an Order under Sections 239, 240, 246, 249, 250 and 260 of the Highways Act 1980.

THE SCHEME and ORDERS relate to proposals for the construction of a replacement bridge to carry the A259 Eastbourne Road over the Cuckmere River 22 metres north of the existing Exceat Bridge.

COPIES of the Scheme and Orders and of the plans referred to therein have been deposited and may be seen free of charge at:

(i) The Reception Desk, East Sussex County Council, County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes, East Sussex BN7 1UE; (ii) Seaford Library, 15-17 Sutton Park Road, Seaford BN25 1QX; and (iii) Eastbourne Library, Grove Road, Eastbourne BN21 4TL.

and can also be viewed on the Council's website at:

<https://live.eastsussexhighways.com/highway-schemes/exceat-bridge/3>

COPIES of any proofs of evidence in relation to the Scheme and Orders, sent to or by the promoting authority, will be available for inspection on the website for the Inquiries at the above address from 22 April 2025.

PROCEEDINGS on the above-mentioned Scheme and Orders are being taken concurrently by virtue of Section 257 of the Highways Act 1980.

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