STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. 1178

HIGHWAYS, ENGLAND

The East Sussex County Council (Exceat Bridge Replacement – A259 Eastbourne Road) Bridge Scheme 2023 Confirmation Instrument 2025

Made - - - - 7th October 2025

Coming into force in accordance with article 1

The Secretary of State for Transport, makes this Instrument in exercise of the powers conferred by section 106(3) of the Highways Act 1980(**a**) ("the Act") and now vested in the Secretary of State(**b**).

In accordance with section 107(1) and (2) of the Act, the Secretary of State has taken into consideration the reasonable requirements of navigation over the waters affected and includes such plans and specifications as necessary.

1. This Instrument may be cited as the East Sussex County Council (Exceat Bridge Replacement – A259 Eastbourne Road) Bridge Scheme 2023 Confirmation Instrument 2025 and shall come into force on the date on which notice that it has been confirmed is first published in accordance with paragraph 1 of Schedule 2 to the Act.

2. The East Sussex County Council (Exceat Bridge Replacement – A259 Eastbourne Road) Bridge Scheme 2023 ("the Scheme") is hereby confirmed with modifications.

3. The Scheme as confirmed including its Schedules and plans are set out in the Schedule to this Instrument and copies of the Scheme with its accompanying plans are deposited at the offices of Department for Transport, Deposited Documents Service, MHCLG, 1 Priory Square, Priory Street, Hastings, East Sussex, TN34 1EA and at the office of East Sussex County Council, County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes, East Sussex BN7 1UE.

Signed by Authority of the Secretary of State

Samantha Collins-Hill
7th October 2025 A Senior Civil Servant in the Department for Transport

(**a**) 1980 c. 66. Section 106(3) is amended by section 1 (6) of, and paragraphs 1 and 34 (1) and (2) of Schedule 1 to, the Infrastructure Act 2015.
(**b**) S.I. 1981/238.

SCHEDULE

Article 3

The East Sussex County Council ("the Council") makes this scheme in exercise of their powers under section 106(3) of the Highways Act 1980 and all other powers enabling them in that behalf—

1. The Council are authorised to construct over the navigable waters of the Cuckmere River the bridge specified in the Schedule to this Scheme as part of the highway they are proposing to construct as a replacement for the Exceat Bridge carrying the A259 Eastbourne Road in the Parish of Cuckmere Valley & the Parish of Sutton with Seaford in the County of East Sussex.

2. This Scheme may be cited as "The East Sussex County Council (Exceat Bridge Replacement – A259 Eastbourne Road) Bridge Scheme 2023".

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The Common Seal of
EAST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL
was hereunto affixed in the presence of—

Attesting Officer
On the 3rd day of October 2023

Plans and Specification The East Sussex County Council (Exceat Bridge Replacement – A259 Eastbourne Road) Bridge Scheme 2023

The location and general design of the Bridge are shown on plans numbered 3520000-CH2-SBR-SY2-0129-DR-CB-1001, 3520000-CH2-SBR-0129-DR-CB-1002, 3520000-CH2-SBR-SY2-0129-DR-CB-1003 and annexed hereto marked "The East Sussex County Council (Exceat Bridge Replacement – A259 Eastbourne Road) Bridge Scheme 2023"

POINTS OF COMMENCEMENT AND TERMINATION

Commencing from a point to the west of Cuckmere River 22 metres north of the middle of the existing A259 Eastbourne Road at the western commencement point of the existing bridge structure.

The bridge will pass in one span over the 26.3 metre wide Cuckmere River.

Terminating on the east side of the Cuckmere River at a point 17 metres to the north of the middle of the existing A259 Eastbourne Road at the eastern commencement point of the existing bridge structure.

SPAN

A one span structure of 30.3 metres.

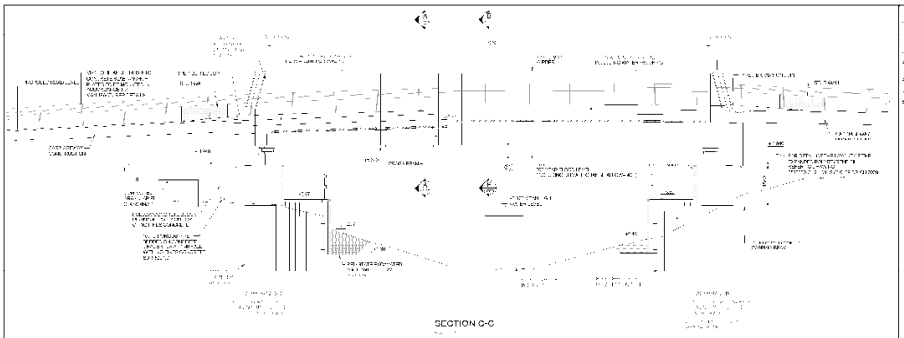
HEADWAY AND WATERWAY

The Headway shall not be less than 2.27 metres above normal water level of 3.37 metres Above Ordnance Datum. This Headway shall be maintained at 100 per cent of the Cuckmere River width at normal water level. The waterway is retained at 26.3 metres. The proposed structure has a clear span of 30.3 metres to accommodate the skew in structure as it passes the river.

OVERALL DIMENSIONS

The Bridge will be 19.105 metres wide overall and will carry a 6.5 metre wide single carriageway bordered either side by hard surfacing of 2.275 metres in width on the south side of the bridge and 1.83 metres width on the north side. The carriageway and hard surfacing will be bounded by a 0.8 metre width wide girders on the north and south side. The northern girder will be bounded by a 1.5 metre width to accommodate a footway along the northern length of the bridge. The southern girder will be bound by a 3 metre width to accommodate a footpath/cycleway along the southern length of the bridge. In addition, a 2 metre width is included on the southern side, beyond the footway/cycleway, to accommodate a viewing platform over a 7 metre length. The bridge will be bounded by 1.2 metre high parapets on the north footpath and viewing platform and 1.5 metres high on the south footpath/cycleway.





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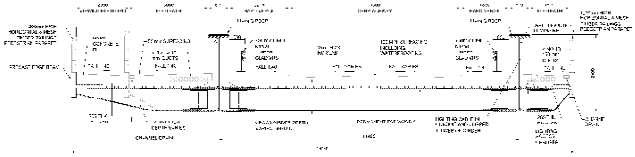
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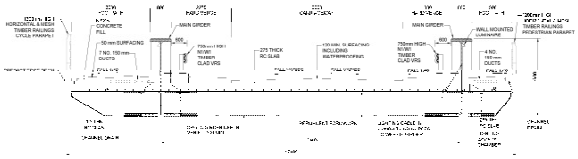
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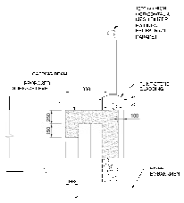
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Instrument)

This Instrument confirms a Scheme to construct a single span bridge structure over the navigable waters of the Cuckmere River as a replacement for the existing Exceat Bridge carrying the A259 Eastbourne Road in the Parish of Cuckmere Valley and the Parish of Sutton with Seaford in the County of East Sussex.

The Schedule to the Scheme, as published by East Sussex County Council, has been amended in the following manner—

1. Under "POINTS OF COMMENCEMENT AND TERMINATION" at the end of the first paragraph the word "highway" is deleted and replace by "A259 Eastbourne Road at the western commencement point of the existing bridge structure".

2. Under the same heading in the third paragraph, the word highway is deleted and replaced by "A259 Eastbourne Road at the eastern commencement point of the existing bridge structure".

3. Under "HEADWAY AND WATERWAY" the wording "The waterway is retained at 26.3 metres. The proposed structure has a clear span of 30.3 metres to accommodate the skew in structure as it crosses the river" is added at the end of the paragraph.

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