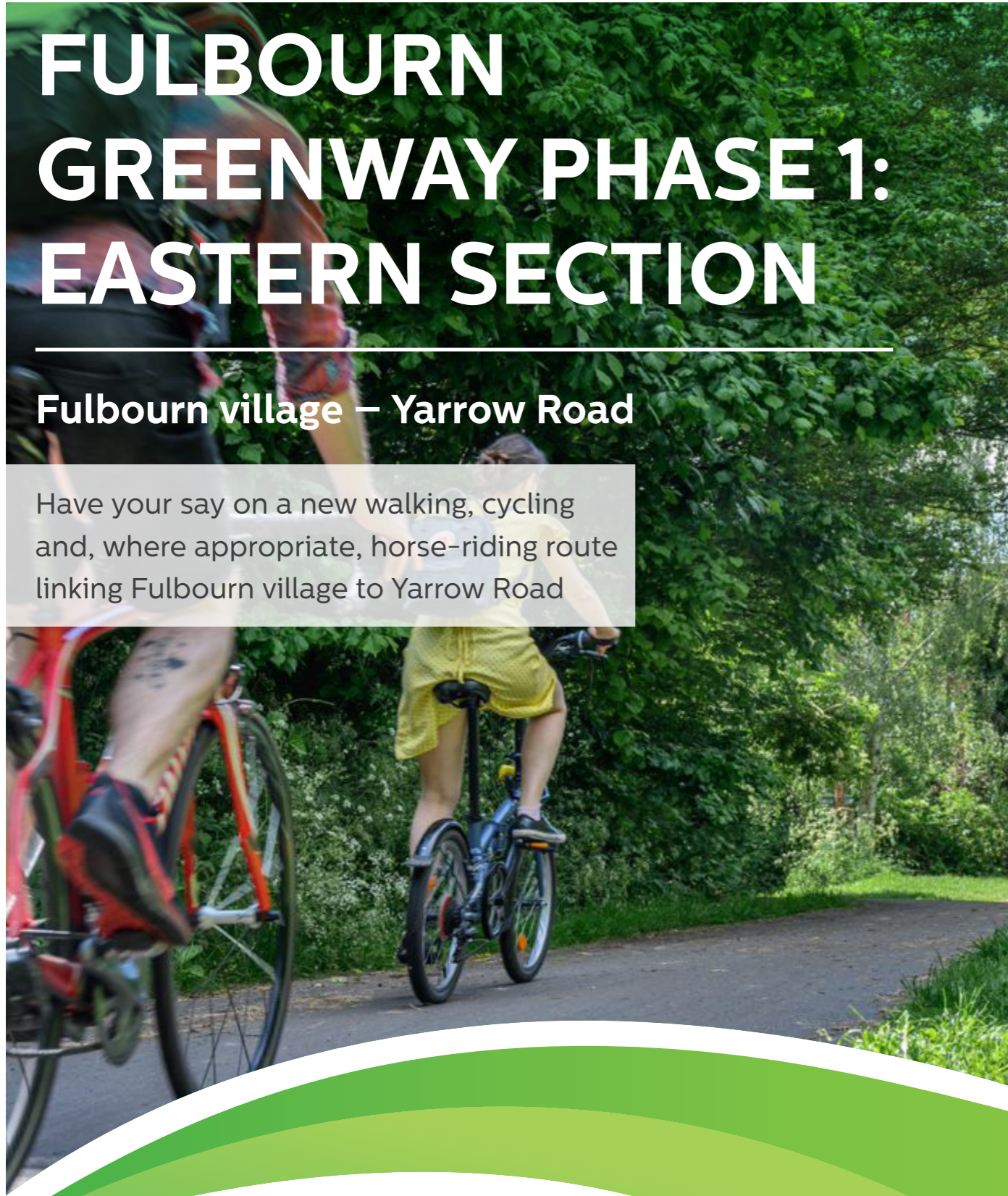


# FULBOURN GREENWAY PHASE 1: EASTERN SECTION

## Fulbourn village – Yarrow Road

Have your say on a new walking, cycling and, where appropriate, horse-riding route linking Fulbourn village to Yarrow Road



## WHAT IS A GREENWAY?

As one of the fastest growing areas in the country, more and more people are travelling in and around Cambridge, bringing additional pressure and congestion to our roads. The Greenways are improving our streets and paths to provide better alternatives to the car, to help improve our health and quality of life, while tackling climate change and air pollution.

### The Challenge

The Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP) is investing to secure sustainable economic growth and improve the quality of life for everyone in our area through a series of ambitious projects and programmes. Although a thriving centre for education, high-tech business and world-leading healthcare, there are severe transport challenges the area needs to address, including:

**Continued growth of traffic and congestion**

**Limited public transport choices and lack of attractive walking and cycling routes**

**Toxic air pollution and high carbon emissions as a result of limited alternatives to the car**

To meet these challenges, the GCP was awarded £500 million to make vital improvements to our transport networks.

With this money, we are developing more affordable and greener travel options for our region. The Greenways aim to provide safe and attractive walking, cycling and, where appropriate, horse-riding routes between the city and its surrounding communities.

### Improving our region through Greenways, to:



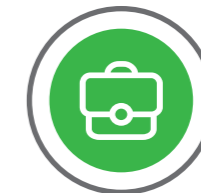
**Provide better cycling and walking routes**



**Enhance public spaces where possible**



**Reduce the impact of traffic congestion and growing traffic levels**



**Support access to jobs and opportunities**



**Reduce air pollution and improve our health**

# Fulbourn Greenway

## Why we want your views

The Fulbourn Greenway is one of twelve proposed Greenways, which aim to make local walking and cycling journeys safer and easier, better connecting Cambridge and its surrounding villages. It would link Fulbourn village with the Carter Bridge by Cambridge Station.

A previous public consultation was held in 2018 with supportive feedback received for the Fulbourn route. Further design work on the route was approved by the GCP Executive Board in December 2020. We are now providing an update of the design proposals and seeking your feedback on Fulbourn Greenway **Phase 1: Eastern Section**.

We are bringing forward proposals for Phase 1: Eastern Section, while we work with Network Rail on proposals for Phase 2: Western Section. We aim to engage the public on Fulbourn Greenway Phase 2: Western Section later this year.

We look forward to receiving feedback from the public, whether you live in, work in, or travel through the area, to help us shape this project and ensure that it meets the needs of the community it serves.

## The Proposals

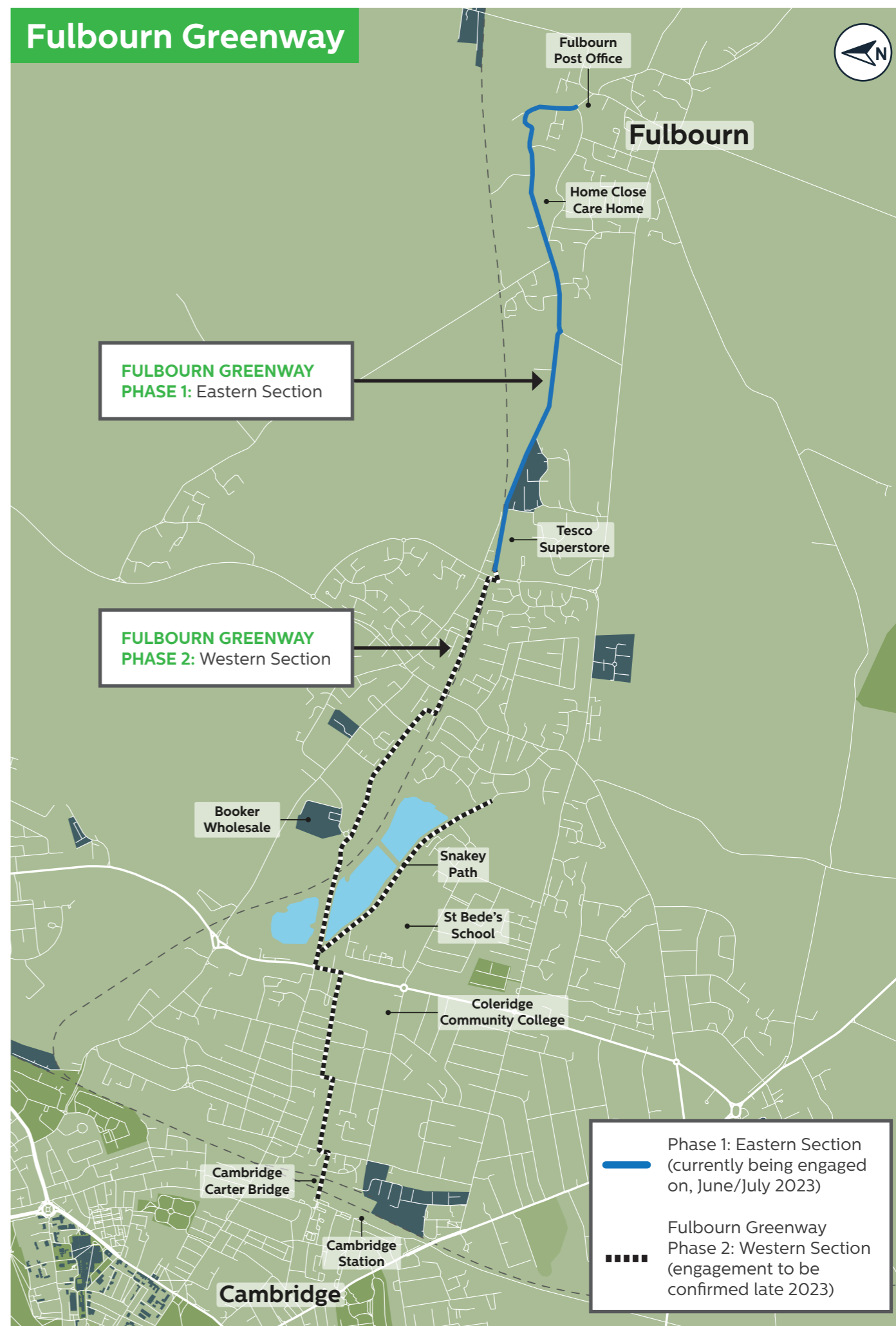
The Phase 1: Eastern Section of the route spans 2.75 kilometres from Fulbourn village to Yarrow Road via Fulbourn Old Drift. The proposals aim to improve connectivity and provide a safer environment for people travelling between Fulbourn village and Yarrow Road.

## The Phase 1: Eastern Section proposals include:





- A 20mph speed limit from Fulbourn village up to Yarrow Road to improve safety.
- Cycle-friendly speed bumps along Cow Lane and Hinton Road at 50-70 metres intervals (avoiding existing accesses and junctions), to reduce vehicle speeds.
- Widening the existing cycle bypass at Cow Lane / Hinton Road junction to two metres to provide a safer environment for eastbound cyclists to continue along the carriageway.
- Introducing a one-way cycle track at the Fulbourn Old Drift / Hinton Road junction for westbound cyclists to separate them from the carriageway, and offer a safer waiting area at the junction with improved visibility.
- Improved surfacing of the existing shared-use path north of the Tesco superstore carpark (between Fulbourn Old Drift and Yarrow Road).
- Identifying opportunities for landscaping and public realm improvements, including planting to make the route attractive and support biodiversity.
- No changes to parking.

These proposals would collectively contribute to creating a safer and more enjoyable route for all users.

**We welcome feedback on specific considerations that the designers should take into account.**





 Quiet Street	 Shared-use path	 Separated Cycle Track
 Fulbourn Greenway Phase 2: Western Section (engagement to be confirmed late 2023)		



### Greenway treatment types

The Fulbourn Greenway will include the following types of route sections.

#### A. QUIET STREET

A quiet street is a section of on-carriageway cycle route where vehicle speeds are limited to 20mph. White painted signage would be added to the carriageway where appropriate. Where there is no existing footpath, signage may be used to warn motorists that this is a multi-use route.

#### B. SHARED USE PATH

A shared use path would typically include a three-metre wide sealed track. Where the path runs beside the carriageway, a green verge will separate the path from the road where possible.

#### C. SEPARATED CYCLE TRACK

An off-carriageway cycle track separating cyclists from vehicles. Where possible, as much protection from the carriageway will be provided, which may include grass verges or shrubs.

The map illustrates the scheme alignment and key proposals. Technical drawings for the Greenway can be viewed at: [www.greatercambridge.org.uk/fulbourn-greenway](http://www.greatercambridge.org.uk/fulbourn-greenway)

## Next stages

The next stages to progress the design for Phase 1: Eastern Section will include undertaking the following tasks:

### 1 ENGAGEMENT WITH LANDOWNERS

We continue to talk to private landowners along the route to gain their consent before the scheme is progressed.

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### 2 TRAFFIC MODELLING

We will model and assess traffic flows at key junctions to understand the potential impact proposals may have on journey times and usage.

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### 3 ENVIRONMENTAL & ECOLOGY IMPACTS

We are considering the environmental constraints and assessing the possible effects of the proposals on the environment and local ecology, to be incorporated into the next stage of scheme design. This will consist of arboricultural and ecological surveys and hedgerow assessments, to minimise the impacts and enhance biodiversity overall (biodiversity net gain).

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### 4 PLANNING CONSENT

Under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, planning consent may be required for the Fulbourn Greenway, subject to final preliminary designs, prior to construction.

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## Potential impacts and mitigations

The scheme aims to deliver positive impacts by enhancing routes and facilities for walking, cycling and, where appropriate, horse riding, to support more people to make greener, cheaper and healthier journeys as part of our vision for Greater Cambridge.

The routes are being designed to be fully accessible for wheelchairs, opening up more of our region to more people.

Proposals for on-road sections of the route will feature measures to improve safety for all, including traffic calming and safer crossing points. We are not proposing any changes to parking along Phase 1: Eastern section of the route.

## Materials and surfacing

Generally, routes will be made from a hard, smooth surface such as asphalt. In more rural locations we will introduce appropriate surface treatment that is sensitive to the local environment. We are also looking at lighting options for all of the routes as part of the next stage of design.

## Visual impact

The visual impact of the route will be minimised through measures such as landscaping on the sides of paths where required, which will also include pollinator-friendly planting.

## Equality analysis

To help ensure that we are meeting our obligations under the Equality Act 2010 we are preparing an Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) for the proposals put forward in this engagement exercise. An EqIA is a tool to assess the impact any proposals would have on the protected characteristics: age, disability, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, race, religion or belief, pregnancy or maternity, marriage and civil partnership and carer's responsibilities.

## Construct and build

Construction is anticipated to begin in 2024. We aim to complete the Greenways network by 2025.

## Timeline


Final route options were presented to the public and the Executive Board in 2020, and we are now presenting the updated design.


The result of this engagement and how we propose to respond will be considered by the GCP's Joint Assembly and Executive Board. If approved, we will move to the next stages outlined below:





## HAVE YOUR SAY

The engagement period will run for four weeks from midday Monday 26 June to midday on 21 July 2023. There are a number of ways to respond and provide feedback:

 Fill out the online questionnaire at: [www.greatercambridge.org.uk/fulbourn-greenway](http://www.greatercambridge.org.uk/fulbourn-greenway)

 Download or request a paper questionnaire and return to: **Greater Cambridge Partnership, PO Box 1493, Mandela House, 4 Regent Street, Cambridge, CB1 0YR**

 **Register for our online event**  
Tuesday 4 July, 6:30pm – 8:00pm  
To register, please visit [www.greatercambridge.org.uk/fulbourn-greenway](http://www.greatercambridge.org.uk/fulbourn-greenway)

 **Attend our drop-in event at Fulbourn Centre**  
**Venue:** Fulbourn Centre  
**Date:** Thursday 13 July  
**Time:** 5:30pm – 8:00pm  
**Address:** Home End, Fulbourn, Cambridge, CB21 5BS

## NEXT STEPS

Your feedback will be analysed once the engagement period ends. The findings will then be compiled into a summary report and made available on our website. Your views alongside the Equality Impact Assessment will be considered by the GCP Executive Board.

## GET IN TOUCH

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