

Fact sheet

Survey fact sheets



Highways England is a government owned company charged with operating, maintaining and improving England's motorways and major A roads. Our road network totals around 4,300 miles. While this represents only 2 per cent of all roads in England by length, these roads carry a third of all traffic by mileage and two thirds of all heavy goods traffic.

We are committed to ensuring that all our improvement schemes are delivered in a manner that protects the environment: minimising adverse impacts and where possible allowing enhancements to be made to the environment.

About our fact sheets

We have created 7 individual fact sheets that explain the measures we go through to protect the environment, and detail the surveys that are carried out in preparation for our road improvement schemes.

Surveys give us vital information about the environment and archaeology in the areas we're working in, which we can use to inform the project as it progresses. You might see some of our surveyors or their equipment if you're out and about near areas where there are plans for an improvement scheme. These survey fact sheets explain what they're doing, how they're doing it and why the information is useful.

The family of 7 fact sheets include:

- 1.0 Noise
- 2.0 Agriculture, Soils & Land
- 3.0 Ecology
- 4.0 Air Quality
- 5.0 Archaeology
- 6.0 Water Ecology
- 7.0 Ground conditions (Geotechnical)

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