

Bridge Works Support, Northern England

Context and the challenge

Equans UK & Ireland supported a bridge replacement scheme in Northern England where new abutments were being constructed, and the existing bridge deck was replaced. Alongside planned setting out works for ground stability, an unexpected issue arose when local residents raised concerns about asbestos and air quality during the construction. Without rapid resolution, the project faced potential stoppages and regulatory risks.

Our role

We were engaged to provide dual support. First, we carried out the setting out for bog mats to ensure ground stability, a planned element of the works. Second, when concerns about asbestos and air quality emerged, our team was brought in urgently to assess the risks and provide assurance for both the workforce and the community.

The solution in action

Our environmental specialists conducted detailed assessments to confirm whether asbestos was present and whether air quality levels remained within safe limits. By responding quickly to the issue, we prevented escalation and enabled the site team to demonstrate compliance with health, safety, and environmental standards.

Outcome and impact

We were able to confirm that there was no asbestos risk and that air quality met regulatory thresholds. This assurance allowed the bridge replacement works to continue without interruption, avoiding delays to critical infrastructure improvements and maintaining confidence among stakeholders.

By addressing both planned requirements and unexpected challenges, we kept a time-critical infrastructure project moving safely and compliantly.



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