Overview

The original Bird Ridding Footbridge was a 15m long bridge close to Coverham in the District of Richmondshire, North Yorkshire. The original bridge crossed the River Cover and was removed in late 2015 due to serious corrosion issues.

The bridge was a single span steel bridge which was built on a concrete abutment and sat on a stone wall. In February 2016 the client tendered a design and supply project for a replacement bridge, which was won by Lifespan Structures who proposed a FRP deck.

Access to the remote location meant that installation methods needed to be considered, and the lightweight nature of the FRP deck allowed the bridge to be lifted into position using tracked mechanical excavators.

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