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EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT FORM

Approval to consult on Highways Permit scheme proposal.

14th October 2010





Sheffield City Council Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) Form

PART 1: Details and purpose of function/policy/procedure/ procurement/strategy/project (to be referred to collectively as "policy or project" in this form)

This section <u>must</u> be completed

Please describe your policy or project:		Directorate/s:			
Gain approval to consult on the proposed Sheff scheme	ield Highwa	ays Permit	Development Services		
Is this policy or project:	New	$\overline{\checkmark}$	Existing		
Service Area/s: Transport and Highways					
Person responsible for the policy or project: Joh	n Bann				
Person responsible for completing a full EIA if appropriate: John Bann					
Are there any other people involved in the EIA – for example, as part of peer review/external challenge?					
Ian Oldershaw					
What are the main aims, purpose and outcomes of the policy or project and how do these fit in with the wider aims of the organisation?					
To Improve the management of utility works, and Highway works on Sheffield busiest streets.					
It will meet the Corporate Plan priorities of "Reducing Congestion", Reducing Carbon footprint" "Safer Roads", "Streets to be proud of" and "A modern and efficient organisation".					
Will this policy or project have any implications	on other pro	ocedures/projec	ts/strategies etc of the City Council?		
This project will meet the priorities set out in the following:					

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• Highways Private Finance Initiative

Are there any implications on our statutory duties?

This proposal will help the City meet its obligations imposed by Traffic management Act 2004 .Imposed a duty to keep roads clear and traffic moving. The Act contains a specific duty on local traffic authorities to manage their road networks with a view to ".... securing the expeditious movement of traffic ..." In relation to this 'Network Management Duty' the Act requires local traffic authorities to make, ".... such arrangements as they consider appropriate for planning and carrying out the action to be taken".

PART 2: Initial Impact Assessment

Complete this part to evaluate whether you should proceed to a full EIA. If you know your policy or project will have an impact on certain groups, please go straight to Part 3.

A. Will the aims identified in Part 1 affect our statutory equ	iality or human rights duties to:			
a) Promote equality of opportunity: No	e) Promote positive equality attitudes: No			
b) Encourage participation for all: * No	f) Eliminate discrimination: No			
c) Consider reasonable adjustments for disabled people: No	g) Eliminate harassment: No			
d) Promote and protect human rights: No	h) Promote good community relations: No			
I) Include measures to promote equal pay, ensure fair promotion segregation: No	on, development opportunities and tackle occupational			
* Note b) must include disabled people under the Disability Du If so, please comment:	ty.			
See below				

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B. Are the particular communities or groups below likely to have different needs, experiences and attitudes in relation to the project? Are there any significant cohesion or social inclusion issues for the project?					
No					
Black Minority Ethnic □ Disabled Gender □ People of different ages Religion/ Belief □ Sexual Orientation □ Carers Community Cohesion □ Social Inclusion □ Other □					
Please briefly detail any evidence you have used to reach this assessment:					
This phase of this project, and the purpose of this report is to advise members of progress made on the Permit scheme, and gain approval to start a consultation exercise.					
An extensive list of consultees has been included with this report. There is an opportunity to review the draft permit scheme proposals in line with comment and feedback received during consultation.					
In summary the permit scheme is likely to be of universal positive benefit to all regardless of age, sex, religion, race, disability, sexuality, etc. The greater control over road works on busy/important transport routes will reduce delays and congestion for everyone. It will make the roads safer and reduce the carbon footprint for everyone. It will improve air quality and pedestrian safety for everyone. It will also reduce costs and increase standards for everyone. No negative equality impacts are likely. However, the ongoing consultation will test this and ensure it is the case.					
If the FIA is not being done of the start of the notice or project places give persons for the delay. N/A					
If the EIA is not being done at the start of the policy or project please give reasons for the delay: N/A					
Date for review: Ongoing throughout the life of the consultation and the scheme					

If you have identified any significant impacts under sections 2A or 2B then you will need to proceed to a full EIA in PART 3.

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If you have not identified any significant impact you <u>do not need to conduct a full EIA.</u>
Please note - <u>this decision still needs to be cleared (signed off) by the officer in your directorate responsible for signing off EIAs.</u>

I have now considered the equality implications of my policy or project and I will not (delete as appropriate) proceed to carry out a Full Impact Assessment.

Date of EIA form (Parts 1 and 2) completed:

Signed (Officer completing the form): John Bann Date: 04/10/10

Signed (EIA Responsible Officer): lan Oldershaw Date: 04/10/10

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