

Stafford Borough Council

Community Impact Assessment Form (CIA)

See Guidelines on completing community Impact Forms

Section A

Community Impact Assessment	
Title Of Community impact Assessment Stafford Borough Car Park Strategy to 2016	
Date Of Assessment 26 August 2014	
Name Of Lead Officer and Service area Robert Gatensbury	
CIA Team Robert Gatensbury, Steve Allen	
Head Of service Ted Manders	
What are you assessing? Indicate with an 'x' which applies):-	
A decision to review or change a service	
A strategy	X
A policy or procedure	
A function, service or project	
Are you impact assessing something that is?-	
New	
Existing	X
Being reviewed	
Being reviewed as a result of budget constraints	

Section B

Set out the aims/objectives/purposes/outcomes of the area you are impact assessing and give a summary of the changes you are proposing?

Aims are:-

- Review provision of parking in Stafford Borough
- Review the perception that people have of parking provision in the Borough
- Review national, regional and local policy context
- Review how regeneration objectives and development proposals impact upon future parking provision and management
- Review access and congestion issues
- Review parking management and enforcement
- Review the council's role in providing and managing parking facilities

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- Review special parking requirements (disabled, cyclists powered two wheelers, lorries and park and ride facilities)
- Encourage a reduction in work place parking
- Consider all options to retain or replace existing short-stay parking within the town centre, including the development of existing sites with extra levels above or below ground.

Linked policies, functions: Are there any other functions, policies or services that are linked with this? (if yes please state what they are)

Linked to the Stafford Town Centre Partnership, Streetscene, Economic Development, Green Travel.

Who is it intended to affect or benefit (the target population):

Primarily motorists and cyclists using the car parks in Stafford and Stone town centres including disabled parking, lorry parking, electric charging. On-street parking and specialist Resident Parking areas (currently one exists in the Borough in Castletown, Stafford).

Section C

Indicate which equality areas are likely to be affected by the proposals?

	Pos	Neg	Comments
Age			N/A, although the Strategy will have a greater implication for motorists with driving licences who will be above the age of 17 years.
Disability	✓		
Gender Reassignment			N/a
Marriage and Civil Partnership			N/a
Pregnancy and Maternity			As with most Council operated car parks, there is no dedicated parent/guardian and child parking provided in the Strategy
Race			N/A
Religion or belief			N/A
Sex (Gender)			N/a
Sexual Orientation			N/a

What evidence do you have for statements you have made above?

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The Parking Strategy seeks to meet the needs of motorists and cyclists by ensuring parking needs are met in the right areas, at the right size and cost. It also recognising the opportunity to encourage use of public transport, walking and cycling to reduce congestion and support the environment.

Specific consideration is given to the needs of disabled drivers who are able to park in dedicated spaces, free of charge, on SBC car parks and on double and single yellow lined roads where no obstruction is caused.

From evidence given from the previous question what actions, if any, will you need to take against each of the following equality stands:

Age: Not applicable

Disability: Not applicable

Gender Reassignment: Not applicable

Marriage and Civil Partnership: Not applicable

Pregnancy and Maternity: Not applicable

Race: Not applicable

Religion/belief: Not applicable

Sex (Gender): Not applicable

Sexual Orientation: Not applicable

Section D

Briefly explain how the proposals contribute to community cohesion and inclusion?

- How will it provide equality of access to services, information and employment?
The Parking Strategy seeks to ensure that appropriate and accessible parking is providing which will assist access to services – notable in Stafford and Stone town centres. It recognises the fact that for many residents living in remoter areas access to services can only be achieved by private vehicles and there is therefore a need to ensure appropriate parking provision.
- Does it or could it celebrate diversity?
Not applicable
- Will it or could it promote good relationships within and between communities?
Not applicable
- How will it help to prevent social exclusion?
Not applicable
- How will it help to reintegrate those who have become excluded?
Not applicable
- How will it provide good quality, inclusive services?
Not applicable

Consultation:

Describe what consultation has been undertaken on the proposals, who was involved and the outcome.

The Strategy was developed in consultation with the local Access Group, Staffordshire Police, SBC Community Safety Team, Stafford Town Centre Partnership, Members of the Stafford Borough Parking Committee, Stafford Chamber of Commerce, Staffordshire County Council, Stone Town Council.

The comments received helped to shape the actions in the strategy, especially with regard to blue badge parking provision, on-street limited waiting parking etc.

Head of Service:

I am satisfied with the results of this EIA

*The findings will be referred to within Service Plans and targets built around these. I agree to review the Action Plan after 12 months



Signature of Head of Service:

Section D (Continued)-Potential impacts and how these will be addressed

<p>Could your proposals have a differential impact relating to any other equality groups, for example, carers, ex offenders?</p>	<p>Yes (Y)</p>	<p>No (N)</p>	<p>Explain impact(s) and what evidence or data exists to support your analysis</p>
<p>Will people within any other groups not be getting the outcome they need?</p> <p>Will people within any other groups be disadvantaged as a result of your proposals?</p> <p>If the impact is negative, How will it be reduced or eliminated?</p> <p>If you are unable to eliminate, reduce or mitigate negative impacts, are your proposals potentially discriminatory for people within any other groups?</p>			
<p>Will the proposals mean that people within any other groups will experience positive outcomes?</p> <p>Highlight any positive impacts Are the proposals likely to impact on community cohesion</p>			

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<p>Is there potential to enhance relationships between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not?</p> <p>Identify areas where there is potential to foster good relations</p>			
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<p>Action Plan Please list on this sheet the nature of any issues and any recommendation for actions that you plan to implement as a result of undertaking this Impact Assessment</p>			
Area Identified	Action to be taken	Name Lead	Timescale

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Action Plan and review

Detail in the plan below, actions that you have identified in your CIA, which will eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and/or foster good relations.

If you are unable to eliminate or reduce negative impact on any of the equality areas, you should explain why

Impact(positive or negative) identified	Proposed action	Person(s) responsible	Where will action be monitored?(e.g., Directorate Business Plan, Equality Action)	Target date	Required outcome

Could making the changes in any of the above areas have a negative effect in other groups? Explain why and what you will about this.

Review

Your CIA should be reviewed at least every four years, less if it has significant impact on people.

Please enter the date your CIA will be reviewed.....You should review progress on your CIA action plan annually

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