

Equality Impact Assessment Toolkit (January 2021)

Section 1: Your details

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Directorate: Neighbourhood Services

Date: 10/8/23

Section 2: What Council proposal is being assessed?

Objection: Review and consider the permanent adoption, amendment or removal of the current Experimental Traffic Regulation Order relating to Motorcaravan Parking on Coastal Drive and Kings Parade

Section 2a: Will this EIA be submitted to a Committee meeting?

Yes / No

If 'yes' please state which meeting and what date

**Environment, Climate Emergency & Transport Committee 5th
December**

Hyperlink to where your EIA is/will be published on the Council's website

<https://www.wirral.gov.uk/communities-and-neighbourhoods/equality-impact-assessments>

Section 3: Does the proposal have the potential to affect..... (please tick relevant boxes)

- Services**
- The workforce**
- Communities**
- Other** (please state eg: Partners, Private Sector, Voluntary & Community Sector)

If you have ticked one or more of above, please go to section 4.

- None** (please stop here and email this form to your Chief Officer who needs to email it to engage@wirral.gov.uk for publishing)

Section 4:

Could the proposal have a positive or negative impact on any protected groups (age; disability; gender reassignment; marriage and civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex; sexual orientation)?

You may also want to consider socio-economic status of individuals.

Please list in the table below and include actions required to mitigate any potential negative impact.

Which group(s) of people could be affected	Potential positive or negative impact	Action required to mitigate any potential negative impact	Lead person	Timescale	Resource implications
Pedestrians / vulnerable road users	Positive impact – Improving access to and along the highway	N/A	Service Manager	From implementation	Existing resources
Vulnerable Road users (eg. Visually impaired or those using mobility aides)	Negative impact – Introduction of the scheme will increase additional signs and street clutter on the road network.	Careful positioning of signs to maintain safe footway widths and the use of existing street furniture to house signage, where possible. Signs have been located as per Department for Transport Guidelines indicated in Traffic Signs Manual Chapter 3	Service Manager	From implementation	Existing resources

Section 4a: Where and how will the above actions be monitored?

Monitoring will take place through liaison with the Cycle and Pedestrian forum groups via the Wirral Active Travel Forum and the Liverpool City Region Active Travel Forum who meet on a quarterly basis. Officers from Wirral are in attendance at those meetings and also have contact details for members of the forum should they need to be contacted directly regarding particular issues.

Section 4b: If you think there is no negative impact, what is your reasoning behind this?

Section 5: What research / data / information have you used in support of this process?

Traffic Signs Manual Chapter 3 – Regulatory Signs
Traffic Signs Manual Chapter 5 – Road Markings
Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016

Section 6: Are you intending to carry out any consultation with regard to this Council proposal?

Yes / No – (please delete as appropriate)

If 'yes' please continue to section 7.

If 'no' please state your reason(s) why:

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Section 7: How will consultation take place and by when?

As part of the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (ETRO) process, notices were placed on site at least 7 days before the scheme became operational and the public were given 6 calendar months to make representations. Consultation was also undertaken with Party Spokespersons, Ward Members, Emergency Services, Freight Transport Association, Road

Haulage Association and Merseytravel at the time of making the ETRO. Whatever decision is made on how to progress, a public notice will be published in the Wirral Globe to provide information on that decision.

Before you complete your consultation, please email your preliminary EIA to engage@wirral.gov.uk via your Chief Officer in order for the Council to ensure it is meeting it's legal publishing requirements. The EIA will need to be published with a note saying we are awaiting outcomes from a consultation exercise.

Once you have completed your consultation, please review your actions in section 4. Then email this form to your Chief Officer who needs to email it to engage@wirral.gov.uk for publishing.

Section 8: Have you remembered to:

- a) Select appropriate directorate hyperlink to where your EIA is/will be published (section 2a)**
- b) Include any potential positive impacts as well as negative impacts? (section 4)**
- c) Send this EIA to engage@wirral.gov.uk via your Chief Officer?**
- d) Review section 4 once consultation has taken place and sent your updated EIA to engage@wirral.gov.uk via your Chief Officer for re-publishing?**