

Equality and Rurality Impact Assessment Form

When completing this form you will need to provide evidence that you have considered how the ‘protected characteristics’ may be impacted upon by this decision. In line with the General Equality Duty the Council must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard for the need to:

- a) Eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Equality Act 2010;
- b) Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
- c) Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

This form should be completed in conjunction with the guidance document available on the Intranet

Once completed a copy should be emailed to cheryl.sloan@publicagroup.uk to be signed off by an equalities officer before being published.

1. Persons responsible for this assessment:

Names: Maria Wheatley	
Date of assessment: 20 th November 2024	Telephone: 01285 623228 Email: maria.wheatley@publicagroup.uk

2. Name of the policy, service, strategy, procedure or function:

Award of a shared Parking ICT contract to replace the current contract that is due to expire.

3. Briefly describe it aims and objectives

To enable the Council to enforce car parks by the issue of penalty charge notices and process parking permits

4. Are there any external considerations? (e.g. Legislation/government directives)

To enable the council to enforce the car parks under the Traffic Management Act 2004, a suitable system is required.
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5. What evidence has helped to inform this assessment?

Source	✓	If ticked please explain what
Demographic data and other statistics, including census findings	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Recent research findings including studies of deprivation	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Results of recent consultations and surveys	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Results of ethnic monitoring data and any equalities data	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Anecdotal information from groups and agencies within Gloucestershire	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Comparisons between similar functions / policies elsewhere	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Analysis of audit reports and reviews	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>	

6. Please specify how intend to gather evidence to fill any gaps identified above:

N/A

7. Has any consultation been carried out?

None

If NO please outline any planned activities

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8. What level of impact either directly or indirectly will the proposal have upon the general public / staff? (Please quantify where possible)

Level of impact	Response
NO IMPACT – The proposal has no impact upon the general public/staff	X
LOW – Few members of the general public/staff will be affected by this proposal	<input type="checkbox"/>
MEDIUM – A large group of the general public/staff will be affected by this proposal	<input type="checkbox"/>
HIGH – The proposal will have an impact upon the whole community/all staff	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comments: e.g. Who will this specifically impact? Anyone who receives a penalty charge notice or applies for a permit.	

9. Considering the available evidence, what type of impact could this function have on any of the protected characteristics?

Negative – it could disadvantage and therefore potentially not meet the General Equality duty;

Positive – it could benefit and help meet the General Equality duty;

Neutral – neither positive nor negative impact / Not sure

	Potential Negative	Potential Positive	Neutral	Reasons	Options for mitigating adverse impacts
Age – Young People			X		
Age – Old People			X		
Disability			X		
Sex – Male			X		
Sex – Female			X		
Race including Gypsy and Travellers			X		
Religion or Belief			X		
Sexual Orientation			X		

Gender Reassignment			X		
Pregnancy and maternity			X		
Geographical impacts on one area			X		
Other Groups			X		
Rural considerations: ie Access to services; leisure facilities, transport; education; employment; broadband.			X	The recommendation will not have an effect on different service users; there are provisions for customers without computers to access the services by other means such as telephone or mail.	

10. Action plan (add additional lines if necessary)

Action(s)	Lead Officer	Resource	Timescale

11. Is there is anything else that you wish to add?

<p>This is an externally hosted ICT system.</p>

Declaration

I/We are satisfied that an equality impact assessment has been carried out on this policy, service, strategy, procedure or function and where an negative impact has been identified actions have been developed to lessen or negate this impact. We understand that the Equality Impact Assessment is required by the District Council and that we take responsibility for the completion and quality of this assessment.

Completed By:	Maria Wheatley	Date:	20 th November 24
Line Manager:	Susan Hughes	Date:	20 th November 24
Reviewed by Corporate Equality Officer:	Chloe Phillips	Date:	27 November 2024.