

Equality Impact Assessment Downley Parking Restrictions

When completing this Equality Impact Assessment, please refer to the accompanying guidance available on the intranet [here](#). Please be concise, use plain English and note that this document may be available to members of the public.

Part 1: Project details

Project title	Downley Parking Restrictions
Is this a new or existing project?	New
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Service	Transport
Business Unit	
Date started	June 2019
Date completed	Ongoing

Part 2: Purpose and Objectives

2.1	What is the purpose of the project or change?	To implement “No waiting at any time” restrictions in 2 locations in Downley to encourage compliance with the highway code, as well as increasing safety for road and footway users.
2.2	What are the key objectives of the project or change?	To encourage compliance with the highway code, as inconsiderate and dangerous parking on bends, junctions and footways have made access and passage for Emergency Services, Refuse Services and Buses difficult or impossible in some areas. Pedestrians especially wheelchair users have had difficulty on a number of occasions passing vehicles parked on footways.
2.3	Which other functions, services or policies may be impacted?	In theory, once the proposals are implemented there should be greater access and passage for larger service vehicles such as Ambulances, Fire Engines, Refuse Trucks and Buses. There have been reports that the bus service to the village could be cancelled, if the proposals are not implemented.
2.4	Who are the main stakeholders impacted by this project or change?	Emergency Services, Refuse Services, Passenger Transport, residents and local businesses. Who should all see a positive impact once the proposals are implemented.
2.5	Which other stakeholders may be affected by this project or change?	n/a

Part 3: Data and Research

3.1	What data and research has been used to inform this assessment?	An Informal Consultation was conducted by the Parish Council, with the results collated and was agreed to proceed to Statutory Consultation. The Statutory Consultation results and comments were examined to decipher whether there would be any negative impact to protected characteristics if the proposed waiting restrictions were implemented.
3.2	Have any complaints on the grounds of discrimination been made in relation to this project?	No complaints on the grounds of discrimination were made in relation to this scheme/project.
3.3	Please provide evidence of these.	n/a

3.4	What <u>positive</u> impacts have been established through research findings, consultation and data analysis?	The results of the consultations held indicate that the majority residents believe that once the waiting restrictions are implemented in Downley, travelling through Downley and visiting the local shops and businesses will be much safer and easier. Larger public service vehicles should, in theory, be able to travel through the village to undertake their services to the estate once the proposals are implemented. Businesses supported the proposals put forward during the Statutory Consultation as some had difficulty with deliveries because of the dangerous parking.
3.5	What <u>negative</u> impacts have been established through research findings, consultation and data analysis?	Residents without driveways may have their parking displaced, however these are few and far between.
3.6	What additional information is needed to fill any gaps in knowledge about the potential impact of the project?	No further information will be required. Monitoring of the proposed restrictions and their impact will be monitored after their implementation on a regular basis.

Part 4: Testing the impact

Within this table, please indicate (✓) whether the project will have positive, negative or neutral impacts across the following nine protected factors and provide relevant comments. Both positive and negative impacts should be specified where this applies.

Note 1: Listing a negative outcome does not mean the project cannot continue.

Note 2: This is an opportunity to identify and address issues for improvement

		Positive Impact	Negative Impact	Neutral Impact	What evidence do you have for this?	Improvement Actions Required
4.1	Age			✓	Informal and Statutory Consultations.	N/A
4.2	Disability	✓			Informal and Statutory Consultations. Disabled residents often had difficulty using the footways as they were often blocked with inconsiderate and dangerous parking. The proposed restrictions will alleviate this issue.	N/A

4.3	Gender			✓	Informal and Statutory Consultations	N/A
4.4	Marriage & Civil Partnership			✓	Informal and Statutory Consultations	N/A
4.5	Pregnancy, Maternity & Paternity	✓			Informal and Statutory Consultations. Residents with young children often had difficulty using the footways as they were often blocked with inconsiderate and dangerous parking. The proposed restrictions will alleviate this issue.	N/A
4.6	Race			✓	Informal and Statutory Consultations	N/A
4.7	Religion & Belief			✓	Informal and Statutory Consultations.	N/A
4.8	Sexual Orientation			✓	Informal and Statutory Consultations	N/A
4.9	Transgender			✓	Informal and Statutory Consultations	N/A
4.10	Carers*			✓	Informal and Statutory Consultations	N/A

**someone who provides unpaid care for a family member or friend who is unable to cope without their support. This may be due to illness, disability, frailty, mental health problems or addiction*