

PART A - Initial Equality Screening Assessment

As a public authority we need to ensure that all our strategies, policies, service and functions, both current and proposed have given proper consideration to equality and diversity.

A **screening** process can help judge relevance and provide a record of both the process and decision. Screening should be a short, sharp exercise that determines relevance for all new and revised strategies, policies, services and functions.

Completed at the earliest opportunity it will help to determine:

- the relevance of proposals and decisions to equality and diversity
- whether or not equality and diversity is being/has already been considered, and
- whether or not it is necessary to carry out an Equality Analysis (Part B).

Further information is available in the Equality Screening and Analysis Guidance – see page 9.

1. Title		
Title: Proposed implementation to reduce 40mph to 30mph speed limit – A6178 Sheffield Road Templeborough Rotherham		
Directorate: Regeneration and Environment	Service area: Planning, Regeneration and Transport	
Lead person: Richard Pardy	Contact number: 822959	
Is this a:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Strategy / Policy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Service / Function	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
If other, please specify		

2. Please provide a brief description of what you are screening
To seek approval to amend the current speed limits on the A6178 Sheffield Road by implementing a 30mph speed limit Traffic Regulation Order (TRO). The section of road under consideration is between Ekin Street and Riverside Way

3. Relevance to equality and diversity
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All the Council's strategies/policies, services/functions affect service users, employees or the wider community – borough wide or more local. These will also have a greater/lesser relevance to equality and diversity.

Questions	Yes	No
Could the proposal have implications regarding the accessibility of services to the whole or wider community?		x
Could the proposal affect service users?		x
Has there been or is there likely to be an impact on an individual or group with protected characteristics?	x	
Have there been or likely to be any public concerns regarding the proposal?		x
Could the proposal affect how the Council's services, commissioning or procurement activities are organised, provided, located and by whom?		x
Could the proposal affect the Council's workforce or employment practices?		x
If you have answered no to all the questions above, please explain the reason		
The report relates to the proposed lowering of the speed limit from 40 mph to 30mph on a section of the A6178 Sheffield Road, this should not impact any services or the wider community adversely.		

If you have answered **no** to all the questions above please complete **sections 5 and 6**.

If you have answered **yes** to any of the above please complete **section 4**.

4. Considering the impact on equality and diversity	
Please provide specific details for all three areas below.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How have you considered equality and diversity? The Highway layout is being adjusted to improve measures for cyclists along Sheffield Road by creating segregated cycle facilities, including improved bus stop by-passes and new signalised crossing facilities. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key findings Reducing the speed limit and providing improved cycle and crossing facilities should give vulnerable road users more opportunities use the route and to cross the road in a safe manner. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Actions Reducing the speed limit from 40mph to 30mph will provide a consistent 30mph speed limit between Rotherham and Sheffield, whilst installing 2 controlled pedestrian crossings, will afford people with limited movement, such as the elderly, disabled and parents crossing with children more opportunities to cross the road in a safe and efficient manner. 	
Date to scope and plan your Equality Analysis:	N/A
Date to complete your Equality Analysis:	N/A

Lead person for your Equality Analysis (Include name and job title):	N/A
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5. Governance, ownership and approval

Please state here who has approved the actions and outcomes of the screening:

Name	Job title	Date
A. Butler	Senior Engineer	

6. Publishing

This screening document will act as evidence that due regard to equality and diversity has been given.

If this screening relates to a **Cabinet, key delegated officer decision, Council, other committee or a significant operational decision** a copy of the completed document should be attached as an appendix and published alongside the relevant report.

A copy of **all** screenings should also be sent to equality@rotherham.gov.uk For record keeping purposes it will be kept on file and also published on the Council's Equality and Diversity Internet page.

Date screening completed	
Report title and date	
If relates to a Cabinet, key delegated officer decision, Council, other committee or a significant operational decision – report date and date sent for publication	
Date screening sent to Performance, Intelligence and Improvement equality@rotherham.gov.uk	