PART A - Initial Equality Screening Assessment

Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council

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: Local Neighbourhood & Road Safety Schemes:- Proposed zebra crossing at Flash Lane, Bramley				
Directorate:	Service area:			
Regeneration and Environment	Transportation Infrastructure			
Lead person:	Contact:			
Simon Quarta	simon.quarta@rotherham.gov.uk			
Is this a:				
Strategy / Policy 🗸 Service / Function Other				
If other, please specify				

2. Please provide a brief description of what you are screening

The installation of a zebra crossing

3. Relevance to equality and diversity

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.

The following questions will help you to identify how relevant your proposals are.

When considering these questions think about age, disability, sex, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sexual orientation, civil partnerships and marriage, pregnancy and maternity and other socio-economic groups e.g. parents, single parents and guardians, carers, looked after children, unemployed and people on low incomes, ex-offenders, victims of domestic violence, homeless people etc.

Questions	Yes	No
Could the proposal have implications regarding the		\checkmark
accessibility of services to the whole or wider community?		
(Be mindful that this is not just about numbers. A potential to affect a		
small number of people in a significant way is as important)		
Could the proposal affect service users?		\checkmark
(Be mindful that this is not just about numbers. A potential to affect a		-
small number of people in a significant way is as important)		
Has there been or is there likely to be an impact on an		\checkmark
individual or group with protected characteristics?		
(Consider potential discrimination, harassment or victimisation of		
individuals with protected characteristics)		
Have there been or likely to be any public concerns regarding	\checkmark	
the proposal?		
(It is important that the Council is transparent and consultation is		
carried out with members of the public to help mitigate future		
challenge)		
Could the proposal affect how the Council's services,		\checkmark
commissioning or procurement activities are organised,		
provided, located and by whom?		
(If the answer is yes you may wish to seek advice from		
commissioning or procurement)		
Could the proposal affect the Council's workforce or		\checkmark
employment practices?		
(If the answer is yes you may wish to seek advice from your HR		
business partner)		
If you have answered no to all the questions above, please explain the reason		

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

If you have answered <u>yes</u> to any of the above please complete section 4.

4. Considering the impact on equality and diversity

If you have not already done so, the impact on equality and diversity should be considered within your proposals before decisions are made. Considering equality and diversity will help to eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and take active steps to create a discrimination free society by meeting a group or individual's needs and encouraging participation.

Please provide specific details for all three areas below using the prompts for guidance and complete an Equality Analysis (Part B).

• How have you considered equality and diversity?

Yes – The proposal will have a positive benefit for pedestrian users and those with mobility issues.

- Key findings
- Children, young people and the elderly are overrepresented amongst road traffic casualties relative to their population size. The proposed zebra crossing can be expected to significantly reduce the incidence of road traffic collisions.
- Wheelchair and mobility scooter users express notably worse satisfaction with provision of safe and level crossing points, and obstruction of footways, than others. This proposal can be expected to help address this inequality.

Date to scope and plan your Equality Analysis:	24/01/2024
Date to complete your Equality Analysis:	24/01/2024
Lead person for your Equality Analysis (Include name and job title):	Simon Quarta, Engineer

5. Governance, ownership and approval				
Please state here who has approved the actions and outcomes of the screening:				
Name	Job title	Date		
Andrew Lee	Group Lead, Local Schemes, Road Safety and Traffic	24 th July 2024		

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 <u>all</u> screenings should also be sent to <u>equality@rotherham.gov.uk</u> 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	24/01/2024
Report title and date	Proposed Zebra crossing on Flash
	Lane, Bramley January 2024
If relates to a Cabinet, key delegated officer	Delegated Decision Report -
decision, Council, other committee or a	Proposed Zebra crossing on Flash
significant operational decision – report date	Lane, Bramley
and date sent for publication	January 2024
Date screening sent to Performance,	24/01/2024
Intelligence and Improvement	
equality@rotherham.gov.uk	