

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: Consultation Update, Proposed 'No Waiting At Any Time Restriction - Lodge Hill Drive and Manor Road, Wales. (Small Interventions Schemes 2024/25)

**Directorate:
Regeneration & Environment**

**Service area:
Transportation & Infrastructure**

Lead person: Marc Hill

Contact number: 01709 822814

Is this a:

Strategy / Policy

Service / Function

Other

If other, please specify

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

Small Interventions Schemes 2024/25 at Lodge Hill Drive and Manor Road, Wales, to provide new waiting restrictions to prevent obstructive parking on the road.

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 accessibility of services to the whole or wider community? <i>(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)</i>		X
Could the proposal affect service users? <i>(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)</i>		X
Has there been or is there likely to be an impact on an individual or group with protected characteristics? <i>(Consider potential discrimination, harassment or victimisation of individuals with protected characteristics)</i>		X
Have there been or likely to be any public concerns regarding the proposal? <i>(It is important that the Council is transparent, and consultation is carried out with members of the public to help mitigate future challenge)</i>	X	
Could the proposal affect how the Council’s services, commissioning or procurement activities are organised, provided, located and by whom? <i>(If the answer is yes you may wish to seek advice from commissioning or procurement)</i>		X
Could the proposal affect the Council’s workforce or employment practices? <i>(If the answer is yes you may wish to seek advice from your HR business partner)</i>		X

If you have answered no to all the questions above, please explain the reason

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

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 report details a scheme to extend waiting restrictions at Lodge Hill Drive and Manor Road, Wales. This requires consultations through the standard TRO procedures. The introduction of this proposal is likely to provide improved safety conditions for all when traffic travels along the road without obstruction. This will have a positive benefit for pedestrian users and those with mobility issues will still be able to park for limited periods by displaying a blue badge. Furthermore, the existing crossing points will be more accessible to vision impaired pedestrians through the removal of obstructive parking. The consultation undertaken was designed to meet the individual requirements of different people and different communities, considering barriers in relation to protected characteristics and included letters to local residents and businesses (namely the adjacent children's nursery), advertisement of the proposed Order on site and in the press.

- **Key findings**

The proposal will have a positive impact on equality and diversity locally by removing obstructive parking around the junction of Wales Road and Lodge Hill Drive which can be a barrier to those with mobility or vision impairments.

- **Actions**

That the Strategic Director of Regeneration and Environment exercises his delegated powers with regard to the proposal and gives approval to:-

- Authorise the Head of Legal Services to make the order and implement the waiting restriction

Date to scope and plan your Equality Analysis:	22 nd January 2024
Date to complete your Equality Analysis:	31 st March 2025
Lead person for your Equality Analysis:	Marc Hill Engagement & Technical Support Manager

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	12 th December 2024
6. Publishing		
<p>This screening document will act as evidence that due regard to equality and diversity has been given.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>		
Date screening completed	2 nd December 2024	
Report title and date	Delegated Decision Report - TRO (Traffic Regulation Order) Consultation Update: Proposed extension of a No Waiting At Any Time restriction on Lodge Hill Drive and Manor Road, Wales. (Small Interventions Scheme 2024/25)	
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Date screening sent to Performance, Intelligence and Improvement equality@rotherham.gov.uk	December 2024	