

# **Equality Impact Assessment**

Preliminary assessment form v5 / 2013

Existing

Changed

New/proposed

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Γhe preliminary impa	ct assessment is a quick and easy screening process. It should:
identify those po looking at:	licies, projects, services, functions or strategies which require a full EIA by
negative, pos	sitive or no impact on any of the equality groups
opportunity to	promote equality for the equality groups
data / feedba	nck
prioritise if and w	hen a full EIA should be completed
justify reasons fo	or why a full EIA is not going to be completed
Directorate:	Director of Transport, environment & business support
Function e.g. HR, IS, carers:	Network Management
Title of policy, serv	ice, function, project or strategy (new or old) :
TRAFFIC CALMING	MONTAGUE ROAD
Гуре of policy, serv	ice, function, project or strategy:

### Q1 - What is the aim of your policy, service, function, project or strategy?

To improve the layout of Montague Road and address the concerns raised regarding illegal traffic movements and traffic speeds within the area. It is proposed to build out the existing kerb lines at both the eastern and western ends of the road to reduce the width of the carriageway to a single lane. This will enforce the existing parking restrictions at these locations as vehicles that do so will be causing an obstruction. Also, by reducing the width of the carriageway at its junction with London Road, vehicles wishing to utilise the Tesco store will have to commit to the existing one-way system. It will also benefit pedestrians wishing to cross the carriageway at this location by improving their visibility and reducing the width of live carriageway that they need to cross. Vehicles will not be able to carry out a u-turn manoeuvre within the mouth of Montague Road due to the reduced width.

## Q2 - Who is this policy, service, function, project or strategy going to benefit or have a detrimental effect on and how?

This scheme would seek to address the speed issues and illegal parking and vehicle manoeuvres within the area by making the restrictions self-enforcing. They will also highlight the existing 20mph speed limit and encourage compliance using traffic calming methods. It would look to improve the existing layout by highlighting road space to be used by other users to all drivers within the area. The addition of advanced warning signs will warn drivers of the proposed changes within the area. It will look to improve the drivers' visibility of other road users within the area and to abide by the current speed restriction of 20mph. As a road safety scheme, this project aims to meet the requirements of the Local Transport Plan by seeking to reduce casualties, which help PCC towards achieving the National targets. The scheme also seeks to improve the habitability of the area for residents. This scheme contributes to protecting and supporting our most vulnerable residents whilst assisting with reducing carbon emissions in the area due to idling vehicles.

## Q3 - Thinking about each group below, does, or could the policy, service, function, project or strategy have a negative impact on members of the equality groups below?

Group	Negative	Positive / no impact	Unclear
Age		*	
Disability		*	
Race		*	
Gender		*	
Transgender		*	
Sexual orientation		*	
Religion or belief		*	
Pregnancy and maternity		*	

	Other excluded groups		*	
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If the answer is "negative" or "unclear" consider doing a full EIA

Q4 - Does, or could the policy, service, function, project or strategy help to promote equality for members of the equality groups?

Group	Yes	No	Unclear
Age	*		
Disability	*		
Race		*	
Gender		*	
Transgender		*	
Sexual orientation		*	
Religion or belief		*	
Pregnancy or maternity	*		
Other excluded groups		*	

If the answer is "no" or "unclear" consider doing a full EIA

Q5 - Do you have any feedback data from the equality groups that influences, affects or shapes this policy, service, function, project or strategy?

Group	Yes	No	Unclear
Age			*
Disability			*
Race			*
Gender			*
Transgender			*

Sexual orientation		*
Religion or belief		*
Pregnancy and maternity		*
Other excluded groups		*

If the answer is "no" or "unclear" consider doing a full EIA

Q6 - Using the assessments in questions 3, 4 and 5 should a full assessment be carried out on this policy, service, function or strategy?

yes	(★)	No
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#### Q7 - How have you come to this decision?

A postal consultation has been undertaken with residents within the area to ask for their feedback and comments for consideration. This was undertaken by a letter being addressed to residents along with a voting form which they could complete and return. From the 181 letters addressed to residents we received 42 responses (a return of 23%). The breakdown of the results is as follows:

Option 1 - Implement traffic calming. To reduce the width of the carriageway to a single lane at both ends of Montague Road by allowing the footway to be built out, existing signs re-erected to make the restrictions more visible and bollards will be erected on the footway to prevent parking. - received 30 votes from residents (72% of returns);

Option 2 - That the existing layout of Montague Road remains unchanged - received 11 votes from residents (26%);

One resident responded to the consultation giving no preferred option and stated that the proposals did not affect them. (2%).

Some residents requested that additional signage and white lining be implemented as part of the scheme and this has now been incorporated.

A report will be submitted to T&T in September where the recommendation will be made to advertise a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) of the proposals so that all residents and groups within the City can comment, support or reject the proposals. These results will then be re-submitted to T&T for consideration and a decision.

If you have to complete a full EIA please contact the Equalities and diversity team if you require help Tel: 023 9283 4789 or email:equalities@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

#### Q8 - Who was involved in the EIA?

Tracey Shepherd - Senior Traffic Engineer Adil Mohammad - Traffic and Network Manager Amber-Kerens Bathmaker - Road Safety & Active Travel Manager

Elected Members will be consulted in September via the T&T Report.			
This EIA has been ap	proved by: Amber Kerens Bathmaker		
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Date:	02/08/2016		

Please email a copy of your completed EIA to the Equality and diversity team. We will contact you with any comments or queries about your preliminary EIA.

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