

Equality Impact Assessment Toolkit (March 2017)

Section 1: Your details

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Chief Officer: Nicola Butterworth

Directorate: Neighbourhood Services

Date: 15/1/2021

Section 2: What Council proposal is being assessed?

Proposal to introduce waiting restrictions on part of Meols Parade and to formally mark out a parking area between Mols Parade and the sea wall.

Section 2a: Will this EIA be submitted to a Cabinet or Committee meeting?

Yes / No **If 'yes' please state which meeting and what date**

Report to Simon Fox, Interim Assistant Director, Highways & Infrastructure

Hyperlink to where your EIA is/will be published on the Council's website

<https://www.wirral.gov.uk/communities-and-neighbourhoods/equality-impact-assessments>

Section 3: Does the proposal have the potential to affect..... (please tick relevant boxes)

- Services**
- The workforce**
- Communities**
- Other** (please state eg: Partners, Private Sector, Voluntary & Community Sector)

If you have ticked one or more of above, please go to section 4.

- None** (please stop here and email this form to your Chief Officer who needs to email it to engage@wirral.gov.uk for publishing)

Section 4:

Could the proposal have a positive or negative impact on any protected groups (age; disability; gender reassignment; marriage and civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex; sexual orientation)?

You may also want to consider socio-economic status of individuals.

Please list in the table below and include actions required to mitigate any potential negative impact.

Which group(s) of people could be affected	Potential positive or negative impact	Action required to mitigate any potential negative impact	Lead person	Timescale	Resource implications
Disability, Age	Improvement of nearby parking facilities and walking routes for pedestrians wishing to access the North Wirral Coastal Park.	Potential positive impact by reducing obstructive parking taking place on footways on route to the access to North Wirral Coastal Park. Also provides formal parking within a reasonable walking distance to the park, particularly benefitting those with restricted mobility, impaired vision and / or children.	Joanne Evans	From implementation	Existing staff resources

Section 4a: Where and how will the above actions be monitored?

Monitoring will take place through the Council's parking enforcement team.

Section 4b: If you think there is no negative impact, what is your reasoning behind this?

The proposal will reduce the capacity for some on-street parking within the area, however, all affected residents have driveways and if a blue badge holder needs to park on-street near to the access to the North Wirral Coastal Park, they are permitted to do so on double yellow lines for up to 3 hours.

Section 5: What research / data / information have you used in support of this process?

The Blue Badge Scheme – Government Guidelines
Traffic Signs Manual
Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

Section 6: Are you intending to carry out any consultation with regard to this Council proposal?

Yes /~~No~~ – (please delete as appropriate)

If 'yes' please continue to section 7.

If 'no' please state your reason(s) why:

Statutory Consultation has already taken place which has led to 8 objections being received and the requirement to report and deal with the objections.

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Section 7: How will consultation take place and by when?

As part of the consultation exercise for this scheme letters were delivered to local residents in the vicinity of the scheme, informing them of the proposals. In addition, consultation has been undertaken with Party Spokespersons, Ward Members, Active Travel Forum, Emergency Services, Freight Transport Association, Road Haulage Association, and

Merseytravel. Notices were also posted on site and with local press. The consultation exercise was undertaken between 30th September 2020 and 30th October 2020.

Before you complete your consultation, please email your preliminary EIA to engage@wirral.gov.uk via your Chief Officer in order for the Council to ensure it is meeting it's legal publishing requirements. The EIA will need to be published with a note saying we are awaiting outcomes from a consultation exercise.

Once you have completed your consultation, please review your actions in section 4. Then email this form to your Chief Officer who needs to email it to engage@wirral.gov.uk for publishing.

Section 8: Have you remembered to:

- a) Select appropriate directorate hyperlink to where your EIA is/will be published (section 2a)**
- b) Include any potential positive impacts as well as negative impacts? (section 4)**
- c) Send this EIA to engage@wirral.gov.uk via your Chief Officer?**
- d) Review section 4 once consultation has taken place and sent your updated EIA to engage@wirral.gov.uk via your Chief Officer for re-publishing?**