

Due Regard Statement

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Name of the policy, service, strategy, procedure or function: (indicate whether new or revised)

New devolved local major transport scheme funding stream and revision of existing Local Transport plan (LTP) 3.

Briefly describe its aims and expected outcomes

The aim is to set up a governance structure for the local transport scheme funding which complies with the Department for Transport (DfT) requirements for Local Transport Bodies and to bring the date of the next LTP3 revision in line with the major transport scheme timeline.

The Gloucestershire Local Transport Body will decide on how DfT funding is spent in Gloucestershire. We will give all stakeholders the opportunity to propose schemes to be considered for major schemes funding later this year or early 2013. Schemes eligible for funding will then be subject to value for money prioritisation using the following 4 Gloucestershire Local Transport Plan (LTP3) themes:

- A greener, healthier Gloucestershire;
- Sustainable economic growth;
- A safer, securer transport system;
- Good access to services.

Gathering the evidence base

List the main sources of data, research and other sources of evidence, including full references, used to determine the impact of your work on each of the protected groups. If there are gaps in evidence, state what you will do to close them in the Action plan at the end of this document.

	Service user data (if applicable) If service user data is not available, use the action plan below to identify how service user data will be collated in the future.	Other (for example, local demographic data, research , ONS, partner data, officer knowledge)
All	No impact can currently be assessed. This report only refers to the setting up of the Local Transport Body. Once a decision to fund specific schemes is made, the impacts of this scheme on all equality groups will be assessed.	The requirements for the assessment and scheme prioritisation process described above are a requirement for funding from the DfT, as is set out in the following DfT publications: The Government consultation paper on Devolving Local Major Transport Schemes published in January 2012 can be found here: http://www.dft.gov.uk/news/statements/grenning-20120131/ . A summary of the responses to the consultation can be found here: http://www.dft.gov.uk/consultations/dft-2012-04/ . In September 2012 the Department for Transport (DfT) published firm proposals which can be found here: http://www.dft.gov.uk/consultations/dft-2012-04/ .
Age		
Disability		
Sex		

Race (including Gypsy & Traveller)		
Gender reassignm ent		
Marriage & civil partnership		
Pregnancy & maternity		
Religion or Belief		
Sexual Orientation		

	Workforce data If employees are affected by your 'project' please outline the profile of the workforce affected below.	
All	N/A	

Age	
Disability	
Sex	
Race (including Gypsy & Traveller)	
Gender reassignm ent	
Marriage & civil partnership	
Pregnancy & maternity	
Religion or Belief	
Sexual Orientation	

Consultation and engagement

List all types of consultation that has taken place during the development of this activity. Include on-line consultations, events, meetings with stakeholders, community events, employee consultation exercises etc

The Gloucestershire Local Transport Body will decide on how DfT funding is spent in Gloucestershire and GCC will be responsible for the sponsorship, development and delivery of schemes, as it is under the current system.

Consultations are being undertaken by GCC with regard to:-

- 'Eligibility Criteria'; what constitutes a major scheme?
- 'Call for Schemes'; a call for the public and prospective scheme promoters to put forward schemes that fit the eligibility criteria.
- 'Assurance Framework'; guidance on how the LTB will operate.
- An information event is also being held for stakeholders regarding the 'Call for Schemes'.
- Officers will be attending the Member's Marketplace in January 2013.

Equality analysis: What the evidence shows

Considering the evidence and engagement activity you listed above, please summarise the impact of your work. Consider whether the evidence shows potential for differential impact, if so state whether adverse or positive and for which groups. In the next section you will be required to document how you will mitigate any negative impacts.

Useful questions to consider:

Do policy outcomes and service take-up differ between people with different protected characteristics?

What are the key findings of your engagement?

If there is a greater impact on one group, is that consistent with the policy aims?

If the policy has negative impacts on people with particular characteristics, what steps can be taken to mitigate these effects?

Does any part of the policy discriminate unlawfully?

Will the policy deliver practical benefits for certain groups?

Does the policy miss opportunities to advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations?

Do other policies need to change to enable this policy to be effective?

What are the impacts to the workforce?

Briefly outline your main findings that relate to the Council's commitment to: **Eliminate discrimination (consider potential for indirect discrimination) Advance equality of opportunity Promote good relations. This can include challenges and opportunities.**

Note: If you are assessing a number of options, you should consider the opportunities and challenges of EACH option.

Protected group	Challenge or opportunity
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Age(A)	

Disability (D)	
Sex (S)	
Race (including Gypsy & Traveller)(R)	
Gender reassignment(GR)	
Marriage & civil partnership (MCP)	
Pregnancy & maternity (PM)	
Religion and/or Belief (RAOB)	
Sexual Orientation(SO)	
Carers	

Strengthening actions: Outline what actions have been identified to mitigate the key findings identified above by protected group.



Potential/ actual impact	Protected group (s) affected	Proposed mitigating action(s)	Accountability	Timeframe
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Monitoring and Review

Please indicate what processes/actions will be put in place to keep this 'activity' under review.

Action	Accountability	Timeframe
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Sign off and Scrutiny

Signed off as complete by:	Date:
Senior level sign off: 	Date: 20.12.2012
Nigel Riglar (Commissioning Director, Communities & Infrastructure)	
Name of relevant Portfolio Holder/Cabinet Member: I confirm that I have examined sufficient information and understood the potential impact of the proposal. I am in agreement with the proposed mitigating actions and confirm that I have had due regard to the needs set out in section 149 of the Equality Act 2010.	
Signed by Portfolio Holder/Cabinet Member: 	Date: 15.1.2013
Assessment published alongside cabinet report:	Date: 15.1.2013