Equality Impact Assessment

Section 1: Executive Summary			
1.1	Title of policy (or decision)		
	To introduce No Waiting at Any Time and Goods Vehicles Loading Only bay – Victoria Road, Chelmsford		
1.2	Describe the main aims, objectives and purpose of the policy (or decision)		
	Essex County Council (the Council) has formally advertised its intention to replace the existing Limited Waiting Mon-Sat 8am-6pm 1 hour no return within 3 hours with No Waiting at Any Time restrictions and to replace a length of existing No Waiting at Any Time restrictions to introduce a Goods Vehicles Loading Only bay on Victoria Road in the City of Chelmsford.		
	What outcome(s) are you hoping to achieve? Refer to strategic aims / strategic priorities in Organisation Strategy		
	Cabinet member to approve the introduction of No Waiting at Any Time restrictions and Goods Vehicles Loading Only bay.		
1.3	Is this a new policy (or decision) or a change to an existing policy, practice or project?		
	New decision		

Section 2: Assessing the Equality Impact

Use this section to record how you have assessed any potential impact on equality groups. What is known about the population likely to be affected which will support your understanding of the impact of the policy (or decision)? Consider any consultation / data as supporting evidence (eg service uptake/usage, customer satisfaction surveys, staffing data, performance data, research information). An opportunity to explain impacts on specific protected groups is provided later on this form

[Consultation was carried out on 23 April 2020 signifying the start of the objection period which closed 21 days later on the 15 May 2020, a notice was published in the Essex Chronicle, site notices placed on site and a letter drop undertaken to all affected properties/residents]

Does or will the policy or decision affect:						
Service users			Υ	N⊠		
Employees				N⊠		
The wider community or groups of people, particularly where there are areas of known inequalities				N		
Which geographical areas of Essex does or will the policy or decision affect (e.g. Borough/City/District/All Essex)						
All Essex Basildon Braintree Brentwood Castle Point Chelmsford	Colchester Epping Forest Harlow Maldon Rochford Tendring Uttlesford					
Will the policy or decision influence how organisations operate?				N⊠		
Will the policy or decision involve substantial changes in resources?			Υ□	N⊠		
Is the new or revised policy linked to a digital service (website, system or application)?			Y	N⊠		

Please describe the steps you have taken to:

- meet the digital accessibility requirements
- test the accessibility of the website, system or application
- maintain accessibility once it has gone live

[Consultation documents available on Essex Highways website and public notice on site with options to view hard copy documents on request]

Description of impact	Nature of impact Positive, neutral, adverse (please explain your reasons)	Extent of impact Low, Medium, High (please explain your reasons)
Age	Neutral	NA
Disability – learning disability	Neutral	NA
Disability – mental health issues	Neutral	NA
Disability – physical impairment	Positive – replacing Limited Waiting Mon-Sat 8am-6pm 1 hour no return within 3 hours to No Waiting at Any time will allow Disabled Badge Holders to park for up to 3 hours rather than 1 hour under the Limited Waiting restriction.	Low
Disability – sensory impairment	Neutral	NA
Gender / Sex	Neutral	NA
Gender reassignment	Neutral	NA
Marriage / civil partnership	Neutral	NA
Pregnancy / maternity	Neutral	NA
Race	Neutral	NA
Religion / belief	Neutral	NA
Sexual orientation	Neutral	NA

Describe any actions that have already been taken to mitigate negative impacts on any of the protected characteristics.

NA

Section 4: Action plan to address and monitor adverse impacts					
Does your EqIA indicate that the policy or decision would have a medium or high adverse impact on one or more equality groups?	Y□ N⊠	describe could pu	use the space below to what mitigating actions you it in place to address any impacts identified		
What are the mitigating actions?			Date they will be achieved?		
NA		NA			
Section 5: Sign off I confirm that this initial analysis has been completed appropriately. (A typed signature is sufficient.)					
Signature of person completing the EqIA:			Date: 06/08/2020		
Names and contact details: Gemma Hills, gemma.hills@essexhighways.org					
Your function, service area and team: Essex Highway, Design Service, Network Assurance					
If you are submitting the EqIA on behalf of another function, service area or team, specify the originating function, service or team area					
NA					
Signature of Head of Service:			Date:		