

Community Impact Assessment Form

Name of Strategy/Policy:	Conservation Area Character Appraisals and Management Proposals Plans	
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1. Impact Assessment – Policy and Target Outcomes

- a) Summary of main aims/objectives of the strategy, policy, procedure, project or decision.

The Council is required by law to periodically review its conservation areas and to consult with local residents and business owners with any proposals for change and this documents aims to do that. The production of up-to-date Character Appraisals also assists the Council in making decisions on planning applications within or where development may affect the conservation area. These documents identify the character and positive qualities of the conservation areas, highlight key issues, and put forward proposals for their management in future years.

- b) Is the policy or decision under review (please tick)

New/proposed Modified/adapted Existing

- c) Main or intended groups identified as beneficiaries, targets or users of (or affected in any other way) this strategy, policy, project, procedure or decision.

All those involved with managing change, preserving and enhancing and learning about these conservation areas, which includes:

- Citizens
- Elected members / Councillors
- Internal colleagues and other public authorities
- Community groups/voluntary sector groups or campaign/interest groups where they have work relevant to these conservation areas
- Other stakeholders including developers

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- d) Specific equality groups who will be the main beneficiaries, targets and users of this strategy, policy, project, procedure or decision, or who will be affected in any other way.

No specific protected equality groups are identified.

- e) **The following information was considered to make this decision/recommendation regarding the communities affected.**

Various public consultation exercises undertaken between April 2010 - October 2011.

- f) Is further consultation, data collection or research still required?

Yes

No

(If yes then complete Action Plan)

Key Actions (note responsible officer(s)):

None identified.

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2. Impact – Evidence

Using the table below please tick whether you have evidence that the policy/strategy/decision has a negative, positive or neutral impact **from an equalities perspective** on any of the equality groups listed below. **Throughout this document please also give consideration to the wider community cohesion impacts within and between the groups identified.**

Equality		Positive Impact (It could benefit)	Negative Impact (It could disadvantage)	Reason and any mitigating actions already in place (to reduce any adverse /negative impacts <u>or</u> reasons why it will be of positive benefit or contribution)	No Impact
Age	Older people (60+)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
	Younger people (17-25), and children	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
Disability	Physical/learning/mental health	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
Race (Ethnicity or Nationality)	Asian or Asian British people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
	Black or black British people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
	Chinese or other ethnic people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
	Irish people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
	White British people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
	Chinese people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
	Gypsies & Travellers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
	Other minority communities not listed above (please state)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
Gender	Women	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
	Men	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
Sexual Orientation	Lesbian women, gay men and bisexual people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
Belief or Religion		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
Gender Reassignment	Transsexual people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√
Pregnancy and Maternity		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√

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Equality	Positive Impact (It could benefit)	Negative Impact (It could disadvantage)	Reason and any mitigating actions already in place (to reduce any adverse /negative impacts <u>or</u> reasons why it will be of positive benefit or contribution)	No Impact
Marriage and Civil Partnership (employment only)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		√

Notes:

* Faith groups cover a wide range of groupings, the most common of which are Muslims, Buddhists, Jews, Christians, Sikhs, Hindus. Consider faith categories individually and collectively when considering positive and negative impacts

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3. Impact – Nature/Type

- a) Could you further improve the strategy, project, policy, procedure or decision's positive or neutral impact? If "Yes", this should be detailed in the Action Plan.

YES NO

- b) Actions arising from the impact assessment should form part of the Service Planning Process.

Key Actions:

None identified.

4. Impact Assessment - Summary

Key Findings

Please list the major outcomes/results/findings of this assessment in relation to equality which require action by the Council detailing these in the Action Plan at the back at this document. If no specific actions have been identified please detail your key findings below:

Key Findings:

It is considered that the conservation area character appraisals (CACA) and management proposals plan (MPP) would have a neutral impact upon equality groups.

Separate community impact assessments and relevant consultation would be undertaken as and where appropriate for specific schemes arising from actions within CACA and MPP. These would consider equality impacts, such as accessibility issues in relation to public realm improvement works.

5. Impact Assessment – Further Action

Monitoring/evaluation/review process that has/will be set up to check the successful implementation of the policy, project, strategy or decision including improved outcomes/impact and identify the review date.

Certain elements of Management Proposal Plans will be monitored as part of Open Space Strategy where appropriate. There is also an annual 'health check' of conservation areas run by English Heritage called 'Conservation Areas Survey' to monitor improvement and decline which broadly fits with the Management Proposals Plans. These would be published/publically available.

Review Date: Ongoing as required.

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6. IMPACT ASSESSMENT ACTION PLAN

Please list below any recommendations for action that you plan to take as a result of this impact assessment (refer to Sections 3 & 4).

Issue	Action required	Lead officer	Timescale	Resource implications	Comments
N/A					

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