

Proposal Title: Highway Inspection Policy

Impact Summary

Climate Change & Energy	Green - Only positive impacts identified
Communities & Culture	Green - Only positive impacts identified
Waste & Resource Use	Green - Only positive impacts identified
Economy	Green - Only positive impacts identified
Health & Wellbeing	Green - Only positive impacts identified
Learning & Skills	Green - Only positive impacts identified
Natural Environment	Green - Only positive impacts identified
Sustainable Procurement	No Impact Identified
Transport & Accessibility	Green - Only positive impacts identified



Major negative impacts identified



Minor negative impacts identified / unknown impacts



Only positive impacts identified



No positive or negative impacts identified

Answers provided indicate that the score for the carbon footprint of the proposal is: 1	The Carbon Footprint is banded as follows:		
	0-4	5-9	10-14
	Low	Moderate	High

Proposal ID: **204**

Proposal Title: **Highway Inspection Policy**

Type of Proposal: **Policy**

Brief description:

Adoption of Highway Inspection Policy for BCP Council.

The approach by which the adopted highway is inspected to identify safety defects in accordance with Well Manage Highway Infrastructure Code of Practice.

The risk based approach for the identification of highway safety defects, which feeds into the repair programme and Highway Asset Management Plan.

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Proposer's Directorate: **Environment & Community**

Proposer's Service Unit: **Environment**

Estimated cost (£): **No Cost**

If know, the cost amount (£): **n/a**

Ward(s) Affected (if applicable):

All Wards

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) supported by the proposal:

9. Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure 11. Sustainable Cities and Communities
15. Life on Land

Proposal Title: Highway Inspection Policy**Climate Change & Energy**

Is the proposal likely to have any impacts (positive or negative) on addressing the causes and effects of climate change? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Has the proposal accounted for the potential impacts of climate change, e.g. flooding, storms or heatwaves? **No**
- 2) Does it assist reducing CO2 and other Green House Gas (GHG) emissions? E.g. reduction in energy or transport use, or waste produced. **Partially**
- 3) Will it increase energy efficiency (e.g. increased efficiency standards / better design / improved construction technologies / choice of materials) and/or reduce energy consumption? **Partially**
- 4) Will it increase the amount of energy obtained from renewable and low carbon sources? **Not Relevant**

How was the overall impact of the proposal on its ability to positively address the cause and effects of climate change rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified

The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):
The approach supports a systematic and uniform system of inspections, identifying safety defects which impact, or limit the use of safe and/or alternative travel.

The policy supports the Highway Asset Management Plan.

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

n/a

Proposal Title: Highway Inspection Policy**Communities & Culture**

Is the proposal likely to impact (positively or negatively) on the development of safe, vibrant, inclusive and engaged communities? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

1) Will it help maintain and expand vibrant voluntary and community organisations?
Not Relevant

2) Will it promote a safe community environment? **Yes**

3) Will it promote and develop cultural activities? **Not Relevant**

How would the overall impact of the proposal on the development of safe, vibrant, inclusive and engaged communities be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified

Reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

**Uniformed approach to inspection and the identification of safety defects across BCP.
Reduces risk of negative impact on community activity and travel.**

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

Proposal Title: Highway Inspection Policy**Waste & Resource Use**

Is the proposal likely to have any impacts (positive or negative) on waste resource use or production and consumption? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Will it prevent waste or promote the reduction, re-use, recycling or recovery of materials? **Partially**
- 2) Will it use sustainable production methods or reduce the need for resources?
Not Relevant
- 3) Will it manage the extraction and use of raw materials in ways that minimise depletion and cause no serious environmental damage?
Not Relevant
- 4) Will it help to reduce the amount of water abstracted and / or used?
Not Relevant

How would the overall impact of the proposal on the sustainable production and consumption of natural resources be rated? **Green - Only positive impacts identified**

The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):
The systematic approach to completing inspections in zones reduce travel requirements for inspectors. Significant number of inspections are walked therefore reducing vehicle travel and emissions. Note: Inspectors need access to signs, cones and barriers so access to a vehicle is required.

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):
As above

Proposal Title: Highway Inspection Policy**Economy**

Is the proposal likely to impact (positively or negatively) on the area's ability to support, maintain and grow a sustainable, diverse and thriving economy? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Will the proposal encourage local business creation and / or growth?

Not Relevant

- 2) Will the proposal enable local jobs to be created or retained?

Not Relevant

- 3) Will the proposal promote sustainable business practices?

Partially

How would the overall impact of the proposal on it's potential to support and maintain a sustainable, diverse and thriving economy be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified

The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps)

Identify and fixing safety defects provides a safe and well maintained environment to maintain and support growth.

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc)

n/a

Proposal Title: Highway Inspection Policy**Health & Wellbeing**

Is the proposal likely to impact (positively or negatively) on the creation of a inclusive and healthy social and physical environmental for all?

Yes

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Will the proposal contribute to improving the health and wellbeing of residents?

Yes

- 2) Will the proposal contribute to reducing inequalities in health between different communities or groups?

Yes

- 3) Will the proposal contribute to a healthier and more sustainable physical environment?

Partially

How would the overall impact of the proposal on the creation of a fair and healthy social and physical environmental for all be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified

The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

Providing a uniformed approach to inspections across the conurbation removes any inequalities in approach to the identification of safety defects. A safe highway promotes active travel such as cycling and walking.

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

n/a

Proposal Title: Highway Inspection Policy**Learning & Skills**

Is the proposal likely to impact (positively or negatively) on a culture of ongoing engagement and excellence in learning and skills? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Will it provide and/or improve opportunities for formal learning?
Yes
- 2) Will it provide and/or improve community learning and development?
Yes
- 3) Will it provide and/or improve opportunities for apprenticeships and other skill based learning?
Partially

How would the overall impact of the proposal on the encouragement of learning and skills be rated? **Green - Only positive impacts identified**

The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):
All Inspectors are required to hold a formal qualification in Highway Safety Inspections. Opportunities exist to employ additional apprentices into the highway team - two currently engaged.

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):
n/a

Proposal Title: Highway Inspection Policy**Natural Environment**

Is the proposal likely to impact (positively or negatively) on the protection or enhancement of local biodiversity or the access to and quality of natural environments?

Don't Know

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

- 1) Will it help protect and improve biodiversity i.e. habitats or species (including designated and non-designated)? **No**
- 2) Will it improve access to and connectivity of local green spaces whilst protecting and enhancing them? **Partially**
- 3) Will it help protect and enhance the landscape quality and character?
Partially
- 4) Will it help to protect and enhance the quality of the area's air, water and land?
Partially

How would the overall impact of your proposal on the protection and enhancement of natural environments be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified

The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):
A safe network will reduce pollution and has the potential to promote active travel and therefore accessibility to natural space.

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

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Proposal Title: Highway Inspection Policy**Sustainable Procurement**

Is the proposal likely to involve the procurement of goods or services which risk negative impact on resources (including power, water, raw material extraction), natural environment or labour markets (e.g. welfare standards)?

No

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section): **Policy is for the identification of defects only and does not stipulate repair methods.**

Has or is it intended that the Strategic Procurement team be consulted?

If the Strategic Procurement team was not consulted, then the explanation for this is:

- 1) Do the Government Buying Standards (GBS) apply to goods and/or services that are planned to be bought?
- 2) Has sustainable resource use (e.g. energy & water consumption, waste streams, minerals use) been considered for whole life-cycle of the product/service?
- 3) Has the issue of carbon reduction (e.g. energy sources, transport issues) and adaptation (e.g. resilience against extreme weather events) been considered in the supply chain?
- 4) Is the product/service fairly traded i.e. ensures good working conditions, social benefits e.g. Fairtrade or similar standards?
- 5) Has the lotting strategy been optimised to improve prospects for local suppliers and SMEs?
- 6) If aspects of the requirement are unsustainable then is continued improvement factored into your contract with KPIs, and will this be monitored?

How is the overall impact of your proposal on procurement which supports sustainable resource use, environmental protection and progressive labour standards been rated?

No Impact Identified

The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

Details of proposed mitigation/remedial action and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):

Proposal Title: Highway Inspection Policy**Transport & Accessibility**

Is the proposal likely to have any impacts (positive or negative) on the provision of sustainable, accessible, affordable and safe transport services - improving links to jobs, schools, health and other services? **Yes**

If the answer was No, then the explanation is below (there are no answers to subsequent questions in this section):

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- 1) Will it support and encourage the provision of sustainable and accessible modes of transport (including walking, cycling, bus, trains and low emission vehicles)?

Yes

- 2) Will it reduce the distances needed to travel to access work, leisure and other services?

Not Relevant

- 3) Will it encourage affordable and safe transport options?

Partially

How would the overall impact of your proposal on the provision of sustainable, accessible, affordable and safe transport services be rated?

Green - Only positive impacts identified

The reasoning for the answer (details of impacts including evidence and knowledge gaps):

Providing a safe network, identify defects, faults with transport facilities (for example cycling facilities) and instructing repairs can only have a positive impact on travel options.

Details of proposed mitigation and monitoring (inc. timescales, responsible officers, related business plans etc):