Equality Impact Assessment: Conversation Screening Tool

	Traffic order: Highcliffe seafront area parking restriction
What is being reviewed?	proposals 2022 – Ref: P26 2022
	The introduction of waiting restrictions at specific points along junctions, bends and narrow points.
What changes are being made?	Traffic order – Loading and Waiting restrictions on majority of junctions and along specific points.
	 The current restrictions: Waiting prohibited 10am-7pm between 01 Apr and 30 Sep. Waiting and loading/unloading prohibited 10am-7pm between 01 Apr and 30 Sep
	Proposed changes:
	No waiting at any timeWaiting and loading/unloading prohibited at any time
Service Unit:	Infrastructure – Traffic Team
Participants in the conversation:	Andrew Brown – Traffic Management Team Manager Phillip Elias - Senior Rights of Way Officer Robert Walter – Senior Technician Matthew Carruthers – Traffic Technician
Conversation date/s:	May 2022 & July 2023
Do you know your current or potential client base? Who are the key stakeholders?	Road Users
	Local Residents of the area.
	People who travel through the area – by all forms of transport including people accessing the local beaches.
	Local residents' association and Parish Council - The Highcliffe Residents Association and Highcliffe and Walkford Parish Council.
	Organisations on the statutory consultation list for Traffic Orders including the emergency services – Police, Fire, Ambulances, Taxi associations/operators and DOTS Disability.
	Visitors – Visitors including tourists to the local seafront.

Do different groups have different needs or experiences?	Age – old & young (under 16) Disability – those with Blue Badges, visually impaired The proposed restrictions should have no affect on any other group
Will this change affect any service users?	The proposed changes to waiting restrictions resulting from the Traffic Order impact all road users, including those in protected characteristic groups, who may wish to park vehicles in the affected area.
What are the benefits or positive impacts of the change on current or potential users?	The waiting restrictions have been designed to discourage parking where this causes a road safety issue, and to discourage parking where this causes disruption to essential services.
What are the negative impacts of the change on current or potential users?	The waiting restrictions in the proposals will reduce the availability of on-street parking; possibly resulting a negative effect on the individuals currently parking in those locations.
Will the change affect employees?	Yes, some BCP Council colleagues will visit or live in the area.
Will the change affect the wider community?	Yes, it should make easier for traffic to move and safer for the pedestrians to move around. It will also make it easier for emergency vehicles to access some area/points.
What mitigating actions are planned or already in place for those negatively affected by this change?	The majority of the main roads will keep the current existing Seasonal (single yellow line) restriction. There are also three carparks serving the area with dedicated on street parking bays. One of the car parks has an overflow capability for extremely busy days.
Summary of Equality Implications:	The restrictions will be a benefit to all road users. The restrictions will clear junctions and certain pinch points increasing visibility and passing of vehicles. The local amenities and seafront will still be accessible to all.