Equality Impact Assessment for Report on the Draft Transport Strategy for Harlow and Gilston Garden Town

### **Section 1: Identifying details**

Your function, service area and team: Planning Policy, Planning Services

If you are submitting this EqIA on behalf of another function, service area or team, specify the originating function, service area or team: N/A

Title of policy or decision: Draft Transport Strategy for the Harlow and Gilston Garden Town

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Date of completing the assessment: 6 February 2019

Section 2: Policy to be analysed		
2.1	Is this a new policy (or decision) or a change to an existing policy, practice or project? <b>Yes</b>	
2.2	Describe the main aims, objectives and purpose of the policy (or decision): The Draft Transport Strategy will set the key aims, objectives and principles in relation to movement, travel and transport in and around the Garden Town. What outcome(s) are you hoping to achieve (ie decommissioning or commissioning a service)? Agreement to consult on the Draft Transport Strategy	
2.3	Does or will the policy or decision affect:	
	This decision will not affect any group at this stage as it is being recommended that the Draft Transport Strategy should be subject to consultation	
	Will the policy or decision influence how organisations operate? Following consultation if the Transport Strategy is agreed then the policies will not be used to determine planning applications.	
2.4	Will the policy or decision involve substantial changes in resources?	
2.5	Is this policy or decision associated with any of the Council's other policies and how, if applicable, does the proposed policy support corporate outcomes?	

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If the Transport Strategy is subsequently agreed as a material planning consideration it will be used to inform the preparation of masterplans, preapplication advice, the assessment of planning applications and for development management purposes within the Harlow and Gilston Garden Town.

# Section 3: Evidence/data about the user population and consultation<sup>1</sup>

As a minimum you must consider what is known about the population likely to be affected which will support your understanding of the impact of the policy, eg service uptake/usage, customer satisfaction surveys, staffing data, performance data, research information (national, regional and local data sources).

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3.1	What does the information tell you about those groups identified?
3.2	Have you consulted or involved those groups that are likely to be affected by the policy or decision you want to implement? If so, what were their views and how have their views influenced your decision?
3.3	If you have not consulted or engaged with communities that are likely to be affected by the policy or decision, give details about when you intend to carry out consultation or provide reasons for why you feel this is not necessary:
	The next stage is to consult on the Draft Transport Strategy

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## Section 4: Impact of policy or decision

Use this section to assess any potential impact on equality groups based on what you now know.

Description of impact	Nature of impact Positive, neutral, adverse (explain why)	Extent of impact Low, medium, high (use L, M or H)
Age	Neutral – no impact	
Disability	Neutral – no impact	
Gender	Neutral – no impact	
Gender reassignment	Neutral – no impact	
Marriage/civil partnership	Neutral – no impact	
Pregnancy/maternity	Neutral – no impact	
Race	Neutral – no impact	
Religion/belief	Neutral – no impact	
Sexual orientation	Neutral – no impact	

Section 5: Conclusion					
		Tick Yes/No as appropriate			
5.1	Does the EqIA in	No 🖂			
	Section 4 indicate that the policy or decision would have a medium or high adverse impact on one or more equality groups?	Yes 🗌	If 'YES', use the action plan at Section 6 to describe the adverse impacts and what mitigating actions you could put in place.		

Section 6: Action plan to address and monitor adverse impacts					
What are the potential adverse impacts?	What are the mitigating actions?	Date they will be achieved.			
N/A	N/A	N/A			

#### **Section 7: Sign off**

I confirm that this initial analysis has been completed appropriately. (A typed signature is sufficient.)

Signature of Head of Service:	Nigel Richardson	Date:
Signature of person completing the EqIA: Alison Blom-Cooper		Date: 6 February 2019

#### Advice

Keep your director informed of all equality & diversity issues. We recommend that you forward a copy of every EqIA you undertake to the director responsible for the service area. Retain a copy of this EqIA for your records. If this EqIA relates to a continuing project, ensure this document is kept under review and updated, eg after a consultation has been undertaken.