

**Stage 1 Equality Impact Assessment – Initial Screening**

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**Name of Policy/Strategy/Service/Function Proposal**

**NEWPORT AND RYDE LOCAL CYCLING AND WALKING INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN SPD**

**The Aims, Objectives and Expected Outcomes:**

The Newport and Ryde Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) was first prepared during 2019 in close consultation with the local community and a range of key stakeholders (including Ryde Town Council, Newport and Carisbrooke Community Council, Island Roads and cycling and walking forums Sustrans, CycleWight and Isle of Wight Ramblers).

The Newport and Ryde LCWIP identifies cycling and walking improvements required at the local level to enable a long-term approach to developing local cycling and walking networks. A total of 16 cycle route corridors and 24 walking routes and zones are included, which if implemented, could lead to a transformation in the volumes of cycling and walking in Newport and Ryde. This would fully align with the Government’s national Cycling and Walking Strategy (CWIS).

The expected outcome of the LCWIP is that if Cabinet agree to adopt as a Supplementary Planning Document (SPD), the document will be used as a material consideration in the determination of planning applications by the Isle of Wight Council.

- Please delete as appropriate:
- This is a new policy/strategy/service/council/school function proposal
  - ~~This is a proposal for a new, changed or removed policy/strategy/service/council/school function~~

Key Questions to Consider in Assessing Potential Impact	
Will the policy /strategy/service/council/school function proposal have a negative impact on any of the protected characteristics or other reasons that are relevant issues for the local community and/or staff?	Yes/No
Has previous consultation identified this issue as important or highlighted negative impact and/or we have created a “legitimate expectation” for consultation to take place? A legitimate expectation may be created when we have consulted on similar issues in the past or if we have ever given an indication that we would consult in such situations	Yes/No
Do different groups of people within the local community have different needs or experiences in the area this issue relates to?	Yes/No
Could the aims of these proposals be in conflict with the council’s/school’s general duty to pay due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance equality of opportunity and to foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not?	Yes/No
Will the proposal have a significant effect on how services, council or schools function/s is/are delivered?	Yes/No
Will the proposal have a significant effect on how other organisations operate?	Yes/No
Does the proposal involve a significant commitment of resources?	Yes/No
Does the proposal relate to an area where there are known inequalities?	Yes/No
<p>If you answer <b>Yes</b> to any of these questions, it will be necessary for you to proceed to a full Equality Impact Assessment after you have completed the rest of this initial screening form.</p> <p>If you answer <b>No</b> to all of these questions, please provide appropriate evidence using the table below and complete the evidence considerations box and obtain sign off from your Head of Service/Headteacher.</p>	

Protected Characteristics	Positive	Negative	No impact	Reasons
Age			X	<p>The Newport and Ryde LCWIP SPD will be a material consideration in the determination of planning applications. All planning applications are required to be determined in general conformity with national planning policy and guidance.</p> <p>There are no aspects of the document that would have positive or negative impacts on the opportunities for equality for this group.</p>
Disability			X	<p>The Newport and Ryde LCWIP SPD will be a material consideration in the determination of planning applications. All planning applications are required to be determined in general conformity with national planning policy and guidance.</p> <p>There are no aspects of the document that would have positive or negative impacts on the opportunities for equality for this group.</p>
Gender Reassignment			X	<p>The Newport and Ryde LCWIP SPD will be a material consideration in the determination of planning applications. All planning applications are required to be determined in general conformity with national planning policy and guidance.</p> <p>There are no aspects of the document that would have positive or negative impacts on the opportunities for equality for this group.</p>
Marriage & Civil Partnership			X	<p>The Newport and Ryde LCWIP SPD will be a material consideration in the determination of planning applications. All planning applications are required to be determined in general conformity with national planning policy and guidance.</p> <p>There are no aspects of the document that would have positive or negative impacts on the opportunities for equality for this group.</p>
Pregnancy & Maternity			X	<p>The Newport and Ryde LCWIP SPD will be a material consideration in the determination of planning applications. All planning applications are required to be determined in general conformity with national planning policy and guidance.</p> <p>There are no aspects of the document that would have positive or negative impacts on the opportunities for equality for this group.</p>
Race			X	<p>The Newport and Ryde LCWIP SPD will be a material consideration in the determination of planning applications. All planning applications are required to be determined in general conformity with national planning policy and guidance.</p>

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Religion / Belief			X	<p>The Newport and Ryde LCWIP SPD will be a material consideration in the determination of planning applications. All planning applications are required to be determined in general conformity with national planning policy and guidance.</p> <p>There are no aspects of the document that would have positive or negative impacts on the opportunities for equality for this group.</p>
Sex (male / female)			X	<p>The Newport and Ryde LCWIP SPD will be a material consideration in the determination of planning applications. All planning applications are required to be determined in general conformity with national planning policy and guidance.</p> <p>There are no aspects of the document that would have positive or negative impacts on the opportunities for equality for this group.</p>
Sexual Orientation			X	<p>The Newport and Ryde LCWIP SPD will be a material consideration in the determination of planning applications. All planning applications are required to be determined in general conformity with national planning policy and guidance.</p> <p>There are no aspects of the document that would have positive or negative impacts on the opportunities for equality for this group.</p>

<b>Are there aspects of the proposal that contribute to or improve the opportunity for equality?</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
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**Evidence Considered During Screening**

The Newport and Ryde LCWIP SPD has been subject to an equalities impact assessment which demonstrates that no negative impacts on the protected characteristics are expected from the adoption or use of the document as a material consideration in the determination of planning applications.

Head of Service sign off & date:	<i>Ollie Boulter</i> 11 May 2023
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