



<p>Name of the Officer completing the evaluation:</p> <p>Paul Sullivan</p> <p>Phone no: 07825 853882</p> <p>E-mail: paulsullivan@monmouthshire.gov.uk</p>	<p>Please give a brief description of the aims of the proposal</p> <p>The proposal is to undertake a legal consultation on Active Travel in line with duties placed on us by the Active Travel Wales) Act 2013 . This EQIA has been used to check that all the relevant issues have been covered.</p>
<p>Name of Service area:</p> <p>Mon Life</p>	<p>Date:</p> <p>May 2020 – first draft</p> <p>March 2021 – second draft</p> <p>October 2021 – third draft</p>

1. Are your proposals going to affect any people or groups of people with protected characteristics? Please explain the impact, the evidence you have used and any action you are taking below.

Protected Characteristics	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on the protected characteristic	What has been/will be done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Age	Encouraging greater walking and cycling for all age groups will improve health and wellbeing.	None.	Target will include those non walkers and non cyclists and those who are participating in the GP referral scheme and older age groups.

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Disability	Encouraging greater walking and cycling for all age groups will improve health and wellbeing. The design of new networks will take into consideration hazards for individuals with disabilities and individuals can contribute to what needs to change	None	Individuals involved in the youth service will be used to promote the review to those with disabilities. Consultation will target key disability groups for their views and be delivered in a format to suit their needs.
Gender reassignment	<i>Encouraging greater walking and cycling will improve health and wellbeing.</i>	Non	
Marriage or civil partnership	<i>Encouraging greater walking and cycling will improve health and wellbeing.</i>	None	
Pregnancy or maternity	<i>Encouraging greater walking and cycling will improve health and wellbeing.</i>	none	
Race	<i>Encouraging greater walking and cycling will improve health and wellbeing.</i>	none	The offer of various formats and translations of the materials will be available
Religion or Belief	None	None	
Sex	<i>Encouraging greater walking and cycling will improve health and wellbeing</i>	None	<i>Women are regarded an under represented group for cycling in particular. It was initially thought women may wish not to participate in the survey due to limited interest but the results of engagement proved different. Reaching more diverse groups in the consultation will further improve this</i>
Sexual Orientation	None	None	

2. The Socio-economic Duty and Social Justice

The Socio-economic Duty requires public bodies to have due regard to the need to reduce inequalities of outcome which result from socio-economic disadvantage when taking key decisions This duty aligns with our commitment as an authority to Social Justice.

	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has in respect of people suffering socio economic disadvantage	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has in respect of people suffering socio economic disadvantage.	What has been/will be done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Socio-economic Duty and Social Justice	<p><i>The proposal suggests living in more favourable social and economic circumstances where access to services can be obtained in a no cost/low cost solution by walking and cycling.</i></p> <p><i>The proposal works to a more equal distribution of wealth and opportunities so everyone can achieve their full potential</i></p>		<p>Working with other charities to offer recycled bicycles will help support those that wish to enjoy the benefits of an improved cycling infrastructure.</p>

3. Policy making and the Welsh language.

How does your proposal impact on the following aspects of the Council's Welsh Language Standards:	Describe the positive impacts of this proposal	Describe the negative impacts of this proposal	What has been/will be done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts
Policy Making Effects on the use of the Welsh language, Promoting Welsh language Treating the Welsh language no less favourably	The consultation shall be undertaken in English and Welsh giving equal opportunity.		
Operational Recruitment & Training of workforce	There are no recruitment issues associated with this work.		
Service delivery Use of Welsh language in service delivery Promoting use of the language	Respondent to the consultation have the opportunity to suggest improvements to signage of routes and promote the Welsh language,		

4 Does your proposal deliver any of the well-being goals below? Please explain the impact (positive and negative) you expect, together with suggestions of how to mitigate negative impacts or better contribute to the goal. There's no need to put something in every box if it is not relevant!




Well Being Goal	Does the proposal contribute to this goal? Describe the positive and negative impacts.	What actions have been/will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
<p>A prosperous Wales Efficient use of resources, skilled, educated people, generates wealth, provides jobs</p>	<p>The results of the consultation will provide a more affordable means for residents and visitors to travel within and around Monmouthshire</p> <p>Infrastructure proposals designed to improve the safety of walking and cycling will improve the attractiveness of Monmouthshire for visitors, businesses and developers.</p> <p>There are no negative impacts</p>	<p>No negative impacts, involving transport planning for integrated public transport will enhance the proposal</p>
<p>A resilient Wales Maintain and enhance biodiversity and ecosystems that support resilience and can adapt to change (e.g. climate change)</p>	<p>As more people engage in active travel, it will alleviate traffic congestion around the local road network which will have a positive impact on public transport journey times and reliability. In the longer term, this could support the case for further public transport investment, providing more sustainable transport options to access popular employment zones</p> <p>There are no negative impacts</p>	
<p>A healthier Wales People's physical and mental wellbeing is maximized and health impacts are understood</p>	<p>There are a number of known health benefits associated with increased levels of physical activity including improved cardiovascular health and reduced obesity levels, and these have associated cost savings to the NHS.</p> <p>There are no negative impacts</p>	<p>The work will facilitate access to open space and interaction with nature and links to the countryside team will be developed.</p>



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<p>A Wales of cohesive communities Communities are attractive, viable, safe and well connected</p>	<p>Proposals will create a well-connected active travel network that provides ease of movement within localities..</p> <p>There is potential to aid regional connectivity by directly supporting access to proposed public transport schemes such as the South Wales Metro, providing onward services to key hubs such as Newport and Cardiff. Having a well-connected regional area will increase access to skills, services and jobs, helping to promote the development and economic growth of Monmouthshire</p> <p>Creating a more connected active travel network will not only improve physical access but will also enhance social connections. Areas with high levels of walking and cycling are often associated with vibrant local communities which exhibit greater levels of social inclusion and community safety.</p> <p>A potential negative impact is that funding for Active Travel primarily focuses on defined settlements and communities that lay outside those settlements are less likely to attract funding</p>	<p>In the new network maps every effort has been made to include key routes identified by the public to the smaller settlements.</p>
<p>A globally responsible Wales Taking account of impact on global well-being when considering local</p>	<p>Walking and cycling are the two modes with the smallest carbon footprints. If these are able to replace motorised journeys, it will help the</p>	

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social, economic and environmental wellbeing	<p>Welsh Government meet is target of cutting GHG emissions by 80% by 2050, contributing to the global effort to address pressing climate change issues.</p> <p>There are no negative impacts</p>	
<p>A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language Culture, heritage and Welsh language are promoted and protected. People are encouraged to do sport, art and recreation</p>	<p>Promotional and interview activities undertaken as part of the walking and cycling consultation will be designed to engage with different social groups and backgrounds, to develop a plan that meets the need of all communities</p> <p>There are no negative impacts</p>	
<p>A more equal Wales People can fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances</p>	<p>As highlighted in the Monmouthshire PSB Well-being Plan, there is currently inequality between communities and within communities in the local area. Walking and cycling are comparatively low-cost modes which, with the correct infrastructure in place, will help more communities within Usk achieve better outcomes.</p> <p>Evidence from ‘Transport Fit for Future Generations’ supports this, stating that 15.2% of households in Monmouthshire lack access to a car, limiting access to employment opportunities</p>	

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	and key services. Active travel improvements are essential to reduce transport poverty	

5 How has your proposal embedded and prioritised the sustainable governance principles in its development?

Sustainable Development Principle	Does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle? If yes, describe how. If not explain why.	Are there any additional actions to be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
 <p>Long Term</p> <p>Balancing short term need with long term and planning for the future</p>	<p>The ambition to have a network which is linked in a sustainable way will ensure sustainable planning for the longer term</p>	
 <p>Collaboration</p> <p>Working together with other partners to deliver objectives</p>	<p>Active travel works in collaboration with all stratas of society to ensure that the beenfits are shared with members of the pubic and business developers. The consultation will cover a variety of professionals, memebtrs of the public and businesses.</p>	
 <p>Involvement</p> <p>Involving those with an interest and seeking their views</p>	<p><i>Momouthshire will adhere to the stakeholder list set out by Welsh Government and supplement this list with its own local organisations.</i></p>	

Sustainable Development Principle	Does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle? If yes, describe how. If not explain why.	Are there any additional actions to be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
 <p>Prevention</p> <p>Putting resources into preventing problems occurring or getting worse</p>	<p>The consultation exercise suggests ensuring resources are targeted at developing those routes that have the greater ability to achieve modal shifts</p>	
 <p>Integration</p> <p>Considering impact on all wellbeing goals together and on other bodies</p>	<p>The impacts include less car traffic on the road, which may call for more demand for short bus, train journeys and therefore public transport planners and businesses will be interested in the proposals. Other businesses may develop for an increased market in walking and cycling</p>	

6 Council has agreed the need to consider the impact its decisions has on the following important responsibilities: Social Justice, Corporate Parenting and Safeguarding. Are your proposals going to affect any of these responsibilities?

	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has	What will you do/ have you done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Safeguarding	Having safer road and path networks will promote the safety and wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults	<i>none</i>	
Corporate Parenting	<i>Having safer road and path networks will promote the safety and wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults</i>	none	

7 What evidence and data has informed the development of your proposal?

Guidance within the Active Travel Measure provides a framework on which to consult. It requires local authorities to priorities their network ambitions and then to test these on individuals.

The engagement phase was successful in obtaining the views of children young people and adults. This has been fed into the final consultation. The result has been the suggestion of new routes and a refined priority for decision making

8 SUMMARY: As a result of completing this form, what are the main positive and negative impacts of your proposal, how have they informed/changed the development of the proposal so far and what will you be doing in future?

The positive impacts will include, greater levels on stakeholder opinions in the development of a comprehensive, safe walking and cycling network; promotion of improved benefits of cycling and walking to the economy, individual , environment and communities.

9 ACTIONS: As a result of completing this form are there any further actions you will be undertaking? Please detail them below, if applicable.

What are you going to do	When are you going to do it?	Who is responsible
Not applicable		

10 VERSION CONTROL: The Equality and Future Generations Evaluation should be used at the earliest stage, such as informally within your service, and then further developed throughout the decision making process. It is important to keep a record of this process to demonstrate how you have considered and built in equality and future generations considerations wherever possible.

Version No.	Decision making stage	Date considered	Brief description of any amendments made following consideration

1	MonLife DMT	May 2020	<i>Document Approved.</i>
2	Officer Review Prior to Statutory Consultation	March 2021	<i>No amendments required against original evaluation.</i>
3	Officer Review Prior to Cabinet ATNM approval 3 rd November	October 2021	<i>No amendments required against original evaluation.</i>