

Future Generations Evaluation (includes Equalities and Sustainability Impact Assessments)

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Name of Service; MCC car parking	Date Future Generations Evaluation 06/04/2016

1. 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.

Well Being Goal	How does the proposal contribute to this goal? (positive and negative)	What actions have been/will be taken to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
A prosperous Wales Efficient use of resources, skilled, educated people, generates wealth, provides jobs	The plan, amongst other things, seeks to improve car parking services to assist commerce within our towns by creating parking space closer to shops and the amount of parking available.	
A resilient Wales Maintain and enhance biodiversity and ecosystems that support resilience and can adapt to change (e.g. climate change)		

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A healthier Wales People's physical and mental wellbeing is maximized and health impacts are understood		
A Wales of cohesive communities Communities are attractive, viable, safe and well connected	This review has sought to use changes to the car parking regime to support retail and business in the larger town s in Monmouthshire. Supporting retail in particular helps to sustain the prosperity of our town centres with all of the knock on benefits to employment and the sustainability of our towns as attractive places to visit and live in.	
A globally responsible Wales Taking account of impact on global well-being when considering local social, economic and environmental wellbeing		
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		
A more equal Wales People can fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances		

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

Sustainable Development Principle	How does your proposal demonstrate you have met this principle?	What has been done to better to meet this principle?
Balancing short term need with long term and planning for the future	The proposals are intended to improve the car park service. Funding is generated but this is reinvested into the service to improve the car parking infrastructure which requires modernization.	
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Involving those with an interest and seeking their views	There have been several rounds of consultation with many stakeholder groups as detailed in the various reports referred to in previous reports to the Economy and Development Select Committee and Cabinet	
Putting resources into preventing problems occurring or getting worse		
Positively impacting on people, economy and environment and trying to benefit all three	The car park management regime and charging structure is changing. The new regime reflects feedback from various stakeholders and seeks to balance the need for investment with schemes that are tailored to individual towns rather than a uniform approach across the county.	

3. 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			
Disability	Improved parking facilities (less obstruction, better delineated spaces)	Charges are proposed for blue badge holders whereas charging has been free to blue badge holders to date in MCC public car parks	Extra time is proposed for blue badge holders (for example 2 hours parking would be provided for a 1 hour charge
Gender			
reassignment			
Marriage or civil partnership			
Race			
Religion or Belief			
Sex			
Sexual Orientation			
Welsh Language	Under the Welsh Language measure of 2011, we need to be considering Welsh Language in signage, documentation, posters, language skills etc.		

4. Council has agreed the need to consider the impact its decisions has on important responsibilities of Corporate Parenting and safeguarding. Are your proposals going to affect either of these responsibilities? For more information please see the guidance http://hub/corporatedocs/Democratic%20Services/Safeguarding%20Guidance.docx and for more on Monmouthshire's Corporate Parenting Strategy see http://hub/corporatedocs/SitePages/Corporate%20Parenting%20Strategy.aspx

	Describe any positive impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	Describe any negative impacts your proposal has on safeguarding and corporate parenting	What will you do/ have you done to mitigate any negative impacts or better contribute to positive impacts?
Safeguarding	No safeguarding or parenting implications are anticipated as a result of these proposals		
Corporate Parenting			

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

Extensive consultation has taken place whilst arriving at the proposals,. This has been with local councils, chambers of commerce, and locally reprsentatives of disabled groups (through CAIR). Individuals have also been invited to comment through the statutory consultation process. Information about this has been provided on the website, sent to local councils and brought to the attention of interested groups. The draft order has also been posted on all car park signs throughout the county to bring the changes to the attention of all car park users.

The impact of the introduction of charging for blue badge holders has created significant feedback. This has previously been reviewed by the Economy and Development select committee and by Cabinet prior to the draft order being published. The statutory consultation has offered stakeholders the opportunity again to comment upon the proposals and these are provided in the appendices to the report.

Whilst the issue of blue badges relates to the applicants' health and is not 'means tested' correspondents objecting to the charge highlight that in information provided at the Equality and Human Rights Commission Annual Conference 2013 stated that 23% of the population in Wales is living in poverty, that 23% of the population is disabled and that 46% of disabled people in Wales are living in poverty.

Comparable information for Monmouthshire is not available but analysis of blue badge issued by MCC shows that of 5955 issued 267 (4.4%) have been issued on the basis of Personal Independence Payments (PIP). Neither the whole wales figures or the MCC blue badge figures offer a definitive assessment of affordability for blue badge holders but are provided to inform any decisions that members contemplate.

The proposal offers mitigation by way of additional time provided for blue badge holders. For example a blue badge holder purchasing 2 hours parking will be granted 3 hours parking to reflect that mobility issues may delay a blue badge holder returning to a car park. The ticket will also be valid in various car parks within the town in any one day allowing a blue badge holder to move between car parks without incurring further charges.

Within Wales seven councils charge blue badge holders to use their car parks. Mitigation is offered by way of extra hours or an initial free period. The arrangements with neighbouring English authorities vary where charges are imposed some form of mitigation is often provided for blue badge holders.

The MCC proposal requires that the blue badge holder purchases parking time and extra time is then granted. Some correspondents have suggested that this be amended to offer an hour as free parking and time over and above that hour be paid for. Both examples are in use in other authorities.		

Mitigation has already been proposed	l for blue badge holders subsequent to previo	us consultation.		
7. Actions. As a result of completing this form are there any further actions you will be undertaking? Please detail them below, i applicable.				
What are you going to do	When are you going to do it?	Who is responsible	Progress	
	this proposal will need to be monit here you will report the results of th will be evaluated on:	Six monthly from the imp	lementation of the order and	
		changes otherwise proposed in the plan (new pay machine improvements to the car parks)		